

2026 Taste & Table Leadership Retreat

“Next Level Leadership: The Ultimate Ride”

Agenda V1 As of 8.4.2026

🔒 Board Members Only | ☕ Coffee Provided | 🍴 Meal Provided | 🎁 Gift Giveaway

<u>Thursday, October 22, 2026</u>	
12:30pm	Vendor arrival and set up Location: Ocean Center
1:30pm – 2:45pm	FSNA Board Meeting 🔒 This dedicated meeting brings together the FSNA Board of Directors to review key initiatives, discuss strategic priorities, and align on goals for the year ahead. It serves as a focused time for collaboration, decision-making, and advancing the association's mission. Location: Closed Location
3:00pm – 3:45pm	FDACS Agency Update <i>This session provides a critical briefing on the shifting regulatory environment governing Florida's school nutrition programs. As we navigate the 2025-2026 school year implementation phase, FDACS leadership will outline the practical impacts of the latest federal and state mandates.</i> Location: Daytona Grande

3:45pm – 4:00pm	Wellness Break This is a brief opportunity to refresh and recharge. Step away to use the restroom, make any necessary calls, and enjoy a bit of movement to stretch, refocus and feel refreshed before continuing with the program agenda.
3:00pm – 4:00pm	FSNA Leadership Retreat Registration Opens Location: Daytona Grande
4:00pm – 4:15pm	Welcome and Introductions <i>Led by FSNA President Kevin Thornton</i> The retreat will begin with a warm welcome from the FSNA President, who will outline the goals and vision for the gathering. This opening session will set the stage for meaningful collaboration and leadership development. Location: Daytona Grande Ballroom
4:15pm – 5:15pm	Leadership Empowerment Education Series Session Facilitators: Kyle Rodgers Kyle Rodgers is a transformational speaker and performance coach who equips leaders to lead with greater purpose, strengthen relationships, and maximize their impact. Through compelling storytelling, practical leadership strategies, and authentic humor, he inspires audiences to elevate both their personal and professional performance. Location: Daytona Grande Ballroom

5:15pm – 5:25pm	Wellness Break This is a brief opportunity to refresh and recharge. Step away to use the restroom, make any necessary calls, and enjoy a bit of movement to stretch, refocus and feel refreshed before continuing with the program agenda.
5:30pm – 7:00pm	FSNA Leadership Empowerment Mixer 🎧 Experience an evening of enjoyable cuisine and exciting entertainment at our Leadership Retreat Reception. Indulge in a selection of flavorful dishes while the DJ sets the tone with upbeat tunes. It's the perfect way to unwind and connect after a day of inspiring discussions. Location: Hardrock Hotel - Sound Stage
<u>Friday, October 23, 2026</u>	
8:00am	Shuttle Service to the Ocean Center This is a brief opportunity to refresh and recharge. Step away to use the restroom, make any necessary calls, catch up on emails and enjoy a bit of movement to stretch, refocus and feel refreshed before continuing with the program agenda. Shuttle service will begin at 8:00am at the front round drive of The Daytona Grande Hotel to the Ocean Center with a continuous loop every 15min for 1 hour.
8:00am – 9:30am	FSNA Leadership Retreat Registration Opens Location: Ocean Center

9:00am – 9:30am	Coffee and Networking ☕ Enjoy a relaxed, informal setting to connect with fellow leaders over coffee. This is an opportunity to spark new conversations, strengthen existing relationships, and set a collaborative tone for the day ahead. Location: Ocean Center Pre-function area
9:30am – 1:30pm	Taste & Table Food Show Experience Live cooking and tabletop presentations featuring vendors informing on new products, services, recipes and distribution. Location: Ocean Center
1:30pm – 1:45pm	Wellness Break & Shuttle Service to the Daytona Grande This is a brief opportunity to refresh and recharge. Step away to use the restroom, make any necessary calls, catch up on emails and enjoy a bit of movement to stretch, refocus and feel refreshed before continuing with the program agenda. Shuttle service will begin at 1:30pm at the front round drive of The Ocean Center to the Daytona Grande Hotel with a continuous loop every 15min for 1 hour.
1:45pm – 2:00pm	Welcome Back: Day Two Opening Remarks Location: Daytona Grande Ballroom

2:00pm – 2:45pm	Leadership Empowerment Lunch 🍽️ Gather for an inspiring lunch experience centered on connection, clarity, and confidence. This uplifting gathering offers a space to recharge, exchange perspectives, and explore strategies that elevate your leadership journey and personal growth. Location: Daytona Grande Ballroom
2:45pm – 3:00pm	Wellness Break This is a brief opportunity to refresh and recharge. Step away to use the restroom, make any necessary calls, catch up on emails and enjoy a bit of movement to stretch, refocus and feel refreshed before continuing with the program agenda
3:00pm – 4:00pm	Closing Leadership Empowerment Session Session Facilitator: Kyle Rodgers 🎁 Kyle Rodgers is a transformational speaker and performance coach who equips leaders to lead with greater purpose, strengthen relationships, and maximize their impact. Through compelling storytelling, practical leadership strategies, and authentic humor, he inspires audiences to elevate both their personal and professional performance. Location: Daytona Grande Ballroom
4:00pm – 4:45pm	Teambuilding Exercise - Session Facilitator: Kyle Rodgers

4:45pm	Conclusion of Retreat & Send-Off As our retreat ends, we send you off with gratitude and inspiration. May you travel home safely, feeling recharged, empowered, and ready to lead with purpose into the upcoming school year and beyond.
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