

Are you ready for an incredible, engaging Annual NACADA Conference in Louisville, Kentucky?

The 2019 Annual Conference Planning Committee is hard at work ensuring your experience in Louisville will challenge your thinking and learning, be rich with culture, and is filled with numerous fun and diverse experiences--the Louisville Way!

The planning committee had a strong desire to support NACADA's advocacy for inclusivity, diversity, and social justice when it selected the theme for the 2019 Annual Conference, *"In Their Corner: Advising Students to be the GREATEST!"* The theme highlights Louisville native Muhammad Ali. We all know Ali for his outstanding professional boxing career, but, he was also a distinguished humanitarian and a philanthropist. The Ali Center in Louisville describes Ali as, "Traveling across continents, he hand-delivered food and medical supplies to such needy sites as the Harapan Kita Hospital for Children in Jakarta, Indonesia; the street children of Morocco; and Sister Beltran's orphanage for Liberian refugees on the Ivory Coast, to name just a few. At home in Louisville, he visited countless numbers of soup kitchens and hospitals. He assisted numerous organizations across the country. At the State Capitol in Michigan, he advocated for new laws protecting children. In schools across America, he taught children the virtues of tolerance and understanding through his book HEALING. Muhammad perhaps raised more money for American charities than any other living person. Muhammad was the recipient of countless awards from the U.S. and across the globe. Louisville respected and loved its city native so much that a street was named in Ali's honor in downtown Louisville.

We are excited to welcome the NACADA Annual Conference to Louisville, Kentucky, October 20 through 23, 2019 at the Kentucky International Convention Center.

Sincerely,

Janet M. Spence, Chair
2019 NACADA Annual Conference