

AFL/CLC ANNUAL LABOUR SCHOOL

The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge – Jasper, AB

07 – 12 January 2024

DELEGATE INFORMATION

Location

The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge, a unionized facility, is located just five kilometers east of the town of Jasper on the south side of the Athabasca River, in Jasper National Park.

The AFL will have an on-site office in the Athabasca Room at the Jasper Park Lodge for the duration of the school. Office hours will be 8:30 am to 4:30 pm daily. Maria Ramirez and Darcy Debert will be in the Athabasca Room to deal with any concerns.

Charter Bus Services

Once again, the AFL is providing charter bus services from Edmonton, Red Deer and Calgary. Delegates must pre-register. The round-trip cost is \$135 and includes park fees. Below are the bus schedules:

EDMONTON – Sunday, January 7th – bus will arrive at the southwest corner of Mayfield Common Shopping Centre, by Value Village, at 11:45 am. Departure is 1:20 pm.

Friday, January 12th – bus will arrive at the Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge at 12:15 pm. It departs at 12:30 pm arriving at the Mayfield Common Shopping Centre, by Value Village, around 4:20 pm.

CALGARY/RED DEER – Sunday, January 7th – bus will arrive at North Hill Mall, Calgary in the parking lot by Ricky's All-Day Grill at 9:45 am. It departs at 10:00 am with a stop at the Petro Canada Gas Station, Gasoline Alley (Hwy 2 northbound, Red Deer) around 11:30 am to pick up passengers. It then continues to Jasper arriving between 4 and 5 pm.

Friday, January 12th – bus will arrive at the Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge at 12:15 pm. It departs at 12:30 pm with a stop at the Esso Gas Station, Gasoline Alley (Hwy 2 southbound, Red Deer) to drop off passengers. It then continues to Calgary to arrive at North Hill Mall around 7:00 pm.

Hotel Check-In and Check-Out Times

The check-in begins at 4:00 pm. Arriving early may result in delays in registering for rooms. Check-out is 12:00 pm.

Extended Stay

Delegates who wish to extend their stay can access a special rate by calling the Jasper Park Lodge In-house Reservations (780-852-6044), **after 11 December 2023**.

Incidentals

The registration fee covers accommodation, all meals, gratuities, and refreshment breaks. Delegates are responsible for paying for their own incidentals. (i.e., phone calls, room service, laundry, etc.).

School Registration

Registration for the School will take place **between 4:00 pm. and 6:00 pm. in Moose's Nook on Sunday, 07 January 2024**. If delegates cannot arrive on time, they must **notify the AFL office no later than 12:00 pm on Tuesday, 02 January 2024**. All delegates and facilitators will be required to be masked when required to do so and follow all other COVID safety measures as required.

Timetable

After registration, dinner will be held at 6:00 pm, followed by an opening remarks session at 7:00 pm. All participants are expected to attend.

Classes will be held daily, usually from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. A refreshment break will be provided at 10:30 am and lunch is also provided. Those who require diabetic snacks are reminded to bring their own snacks if needed.

Caucus Meetings

Caucus meetings may be held throughout the week for members who identify as Ethnically Diverse, Indigenous, 2SLGBTQIA+ (Pride), Women, or Young Workers (35 years or under). Please contact Maria Ramirez to make arrangements.

Hospitality and Fellowship Rooms

A Hospitality Room and a Fellowship Room (no alcohol) will be provided for delegates to gather in the evenings. The purpose of these rooms is to encourage delegates to socialize. Bring your musical instruments, games, etc.

Child Care

Child care is provided, as per the AFL Constitution, to those who requested prior to November 27th. *Delegates failing to register prior to the deadline will not qualify.*

Delegate Cancellation

If delegates are unable to attend the course in which they have been registered, it will be their responsibility to **notify the AFL office no later than 03 January 2024. Cancellations between 27 November 2023 and 03 January 2024 will result in a \$100 cancellation fee. Cancellations after 03 January 2024 are non-refundable. NO SHOWS are non-refundable.**

Course Changes

Delegates wishing to change the course in which they have been registered must notify the AFL. We will do our best to accommodate changes, however this will be extremely difficult. Most courses are full, and this is the biggest school we've ever run. We appreciate your interest and understanding.

Course Cancellation

In the event a course is cancelled due to low registration, delegates will be placed in their second choice. If this is not possible, delegates will be notified of the cancellation.

Accessibility

The Jasper Park Lodge presents some challenges to those with limited mobility. Delegates are to have indicated any special needs on the registration form. **Every effort will be made to provide access and specified services.**

What to Bring

Dress is casual throughout the event. You may need to go outdoors to access your hotel room; please bring the appropriate outerwear. You are also welcome to bring skates and hockey sticks for a pick-up hockey game, in the event there is ice.

****Please Note: each class will be required to prepare a skit or song that reflects their course and present it as part of the closing banquet program (may be video recorded during the week)****

Recreational Facilities

An outdoor heated pool, sauna, hot tub, games room and weights are located on the lower level of the hotel. Outdoor activities include cross country and downhill skiing, ice skating, tobogganing and hiking. All outdoor activities are contingent on COVID protocols and weather conditions. All delegates will have access to these facilities (extra fees may apply).

Extra-curricular Activities

Activities may include (weather dependent): Maligne Canyon walk, a ghost tour, movie night, curling and shinny hockey. Some fees may apply for these events. Delegates will be notified at the school what activities are available and the cost. **Delegates should note that limited banking facilities are available at the Lodge.**

Delegate Conduct

The AFL and CLC endeavour to provide a supportive working and learning environment that provides an equal opportunity to all students. Such an atmosphere is based on the principle that union members are equal and deserve mutual respect.

Behavior that undermines the dignity or self-esteem of any individual, or creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment, whether it be sexual, racial or other forms of personal harassment, will not be tolerated nor condoned. It may result in the delegate being sent home and a letter forwarded to the local union.

Banquet & Meal Tickets

Individual meal tickets & banquet tickets will be available for purchase from Maria Ramirez for partners and dependents not attending classes.