



Region 3 & 5 Meeting
Hosted by Olive Harvey College
September 9-11, 2026

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

6:30 – 8:00 p.m. **Meet & Greet, Double Tree by Hilton**

Thursday, September 10, 2026

- 7:00 a.m. **Transportation provided to campus**
- 7:30 – 8:30 **Breakfast/Registration**
- 8:30 – 9:00 **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
~ *Dean Cheryl Freeman-Smith*
- 9:00 – 9:30 **NAPFTDS Updates**
~ *Donnie Tulk, President/Martin Garsee, Executive Director*
- 9:30 – 9:45 *Break/Vendor*
- 9:45 – 10:30 **The Future of Commercial Driver Training**
~ *Presenter*
- 10:30 – 11:30 **Looking Ahead! Tour of Olive-Harvey Campus**
~ *Donna Elicke, Facilitator*
- 11:30 – 12:45 *Lunch*
- 12:45 – 1:30 **Building Tomorrow's Transportation Workforce**
~ *Representative, Operation Lifesaver*
- 1:30 – 2:15 **Community College Partnerships & Employer Engagement Best Practices**
~ *Presenter*
- 2:15 – 2:30 *Break/Vendor*
- 2:30 – 4:15 **Technology in CDL education and instructor shortages–Roundtable discussion**
~ *Presenter*
- 4:30 – 6:30 **Dinner at Olive-Harvey campus**
- 6:30 **Transportation provided to hotel**

Friday, September 11, 2026

- 7:30 – 8:00 **Transportation provided to campus**
- 8:00 – 9:00 **Breakfast/Networking**
- 9:00 – 9:45 **Building Tomorrow's Transportation**
~ *Presenter*
- 9:45 – 10:00 *Break/Vendor*
- 10:00 – 11:30 **Challenges and Solutions – Roundtable discussion**
~ *Facilitator*
- 11:30 **Wrap up / Closing Thoughts**