



October 30, 2025

Fellow Block and Bridle Club Members:

On behalf of the Middle Tennessee State University Block and Bridle Club, we would like to invite you to attend the 105th National Block and Bridle Convention! Convention will be held February 3-5, 2026 in Nashville, Tennessee. We have been working hard to plan a convention that shows every aspect Tennessee has to offer. We hope you can join us for an exciting 3-day event!

The Block & Bridle Convention will be held in conjunction with CattleCon2026 & NCBA Trade Show. The Cattle Industry Convention will be held in Nashville at the Music City Convention Center. The host hotel for the Block & Bridle Convention is the Hilton Tempo downtown Nashville. The room block will be available until January 9, 2026 and you can select rooms during the registration process. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. Members will enjoy exciting tours to various locations around middle Tennessee ranging from livestock operations to wineries and creameries. Enclosed is a registration packet with details about the hotel, tour descriptions, and a schedule of events. Information will also be posted on our website: <https://agriculture.mtsu.edu/blockandbridle/>. We are busy raising funds so that we can make this a great convention. The cost of registration is \$400 per person by December 15, 2025. After December 15, registration will increase to \$450. The final deadline for registration is January 9, 2026.

If you have any questions regarding the 105th National Block and Bridle Convention, feel free to contact us: Lexy Halbert (rah8z@mtmail.mtsu.edu, 615-374-5327), Callie Pearson (cp8u@mtmail.mtsu.edu, 615-767-7341), or Dr. Jessica Carter (jessica.carter@mtsu.edu, 615-898-2169). We are excited about the upcoming convention and hope that you will make plans to join us in Music City!

Sincerely,

Lexy Halbert
Convention co-chair

Callie Pearson
Convention co-chair

Jessica Carter, Ph.D.
Block & Bridle club advisor
Past President, National Block & Bridle

Tentative Schedule of Events:

Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2026

8:00 am – 1:00 pm	Badge pickup/registration at NCBA registration area in Music City Convention Center 1 advisor must be present at registration
11:00 am	Block & Bridle Annual Business Meeting & Officer Elections pick up registration packets/t-shirts, (<i>dress is business casual all day</i>)
1:30 pm	NCBA Opening General Session
3:00 – 7:00 pm	NCBA Welcome Reception in the Trade Show
3:00 -4:00 pm	Block & Bridle Meet-up in the Chuckwagon Café

Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2026

6:00 – 7:30 am	Grab & Go breakfast during bus load up in hotel lobby
6:00 am – 7:30 am	Busses depart for Tennessee Agricultural Industry tours (<i>casual</i>)
5:00 pm	Return to hotel
7:00 pm	Awards Banquet at Music City Convention Center (<i>business professional</i>)

Thursday, Feb. 5, 2026

6:00 – 8:00 am	Grab & Go breakfast in hotel lobby
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Cattlemen's College educational sessions (classrooms and demonstration area) General Session III - CattleFax 2026 U.S. & Global Protein & Grain Outlook Seminar Trade Show and Career Fair
Noon	Lunch in the Trade Show NCBA Trade Show Reception (<i>business casual all day</i>)

Thursday Evening Event (*Optional – Additional \$150*)

Roto-Mixer Pre-Party
Cowboys Night at the Opry (Ryman Theatre)

Convention Dress Code

Casual: Includes comfortable, appropriate clothing that excludes plummeting necklines, midriff exposure, and clothing that is too short. Long pants and closed-toe shoes or boots will be required for tours. It may be cold during convention, so please bring winter attire for the tours.

Business Casual: Nicer than jeans but not as nice as business professional clothing. This could include khakis and a nice shirt or sweater and nice shoes or boots.

Business Professional: Implies something you would feel comfortable wearing to a job interview. Men should wear blazers with a tie and women should wear slacks or a skirt. No jeans should be worn to business professional events (Banquet Attire).

Name tags should be worn at all times during Convention

Code of Conduct

Members attending the National Block and Bridle Convention must recognize and take responsibility for themselves as professionals at all times. In doing so, members will follow the dress code, participate in all scheduled Block and Bridle events, including, but not limited to, the opening session, tours, the speaker sessions, and the Awards Banquet. An advisor is required to attend with each Block & Bridle chapter.

Members are expected to arrive on time for all Block and Bridle events. Furthermore, members are expected to maintain a reasonable noise level when socializing and to have the utmost respect for the hotel and its guests at all times. Members must realize it is truly in their best interest to present themselves positively as they represent not only their college or university, but National Block and Bridle and the chapter hosting the event.

Hotel Information



The 105th Annual Block and Bridle Convention will be headquartered at the Hilton Tempo in Nashville, Tennessee

Address:

127 Rosa L Parks Blvd.
Nashville, TN 3723
629-224-3959

- Hotel reservations will be included with the online registration link.
- Our group rate is **\$209** per night plus taxes/fees for up to four guests.