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Join the IF/THEN® Champions Network at the 2026 ASTC Annual Conference
September 16-19, 2026 | Phoenix, AZ

Network members are invited to a special preconference intensive on Wednesday,
September 16, 2026, from 2:00 – 5:00 PM MST.

Learn more about this year's ASTC Conference: [ASTC 2026 Conference Info](#)



Apply for Funding

We invite IF/THEN® Champions Network organizations to apply to receive funding from the network for **one person** to attend the 2026 conference on behalf of their organization. Each organization may submit **one application** that includes the name of the individual who would represent them. Selected individuals can be at any staff level but should be directly involved in IF/THEN®-aligned activities.

Funding Available: Conference registration (\$680 value), travel stipend of up to \$1000, or both.

Deadline: July 8, 2026

Notifications: July 15, 2026

The project team will prioritize a diversity of organizational sizes, locations, and types.

Preference will also be given to organizations that:

- Did not receive conference travel funding last year
- Have fulfilled all IF/THEN® Champions Network commitments
- Regularly participate in IF/THEN® Champions Network opportunities

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Eligibility

Organizational applicants must:

- Be a registered **organizational member** of the [IF/THEN® Champions Network](#) (open to ASTC-member science centers, museums, and allied organizations within the U.S.)
- Identify and send an individual who:
 - Is part of your organization's IF/THEN® Champions Network team
 - Can attend the preconference intensive on **Wednesday, September 16, 2026, from 2:00 – 5:00 PM MST**. (please plan travel accordingly)
 - If requested, is willing to present during the preconference session

How to Apply

1. Coordinate with your IF/THEN® Champions Network team to **select a representative** who meets the above criteria.
2. Determine if your organization will need conference registration funding (\$680 value), a travel stipend of up to \$1,000, or both.
3. Complete this [application](#) by July 8, 2026. Applicants will be notified of decisions by July 15, 2026.

Please note that recipients will receive a discount code from ASTC to register for the conference at no cost and/or will receive a check for their travel stipend. Registration awards will include complimentary full conference registration and the IF/THEN® preconference intensive. [Optional events](#) (such as Host Parties or additional preconference intensives) with an additional fee are not included and must be purchased separately.

Organizations will be responsible for booking their own logistics (hotel, flight, meals, etc.).

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