Top Five Reasons to Attend 2022 Annual Session

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My name is Michelle Estrada, and I am serving as a member of the NEAFCS 2022 Annual Session marketing committee. If you are thinking about why you need to attend this year's conference, here are the five top reasons:

- 1. Have an opportunity to enjoy Raleigh, NC, which is known as "city in a park." Raleigh has so much to offer for outdoor recreation—more than 10,000 acres of parkland with kayaking gems, biking routes, running trails, and wide-open spaces to explore.
- 2. Learn about North Carolina's culture. Downtown Raleigh, N.C., is where historic neighborhoods, world-class museums, Southern diners, performing arts venues, local shops, and breweries all work together to create one incredible cultural hotspot.
- 3. Take a break from "work" to sharpen your professional skills by recharging your energy and getting innovative ideas to enhance programs in your community.
- 4. Mix and mingle with other professionals and create connections. Who knows, you may meet your next program's partner or mentor.
- 5. Break out of your comfort zone. Many professionals like to network and interact with other people on daily basis, for others, this may be a challenge. Breaking out of our comfort zone creates an opportunity to break out old ways of thinking and can provide opportunities to develop new ideas for amazing programs.

The NEAFCS 2022 Annual Session offers you a unique convergence of networking, learning, and fun into a single package. I promise you this year's meeting will help you grow and challenge yourself. See you in September!

