

TRAVEL AND LODGING INFORMATION

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MEETING LOCATION:

NOTE: EDC's Conference Center is located in nearby Waltham, which is a 25-minute drive from downtown Boston and a 10- to 15-minute drive from nearby hotels, and will require you to plan your own transportation getting to and from the conference center (more information below).

Education Development Center (EDC)
Main Conference Center
43 Foundry Avenue
Waltham, MA 02453
Phone: 617-969-7100 or 617-618-2133
Website: www.edc.org | [Directions to EDC's Waltham offices](#)

RECOMMENDED LODGING:

NOTE: The following hotels are listed in order from lowest to highest EDC rates, based on availability. We do not have a group block at these hotels. Please try to book your hotel sooner than later. Travelers are responsible for arranging their own transportation to and from EDC (shuttle, taxi, other).

Crowne Plaza Newton

320 Washington Street, Newton, MA 02458
Reservations: Check [website](#) or call 866-257-7857 and request "EDC" corporate rate or reference #100253243, starting **\$127**, based on availability, includes Wi-Fi.
Hotel is 2.9 miles from EDC Conference Center; best rate; comp shuttle to and from EDC, book in advance of trip; nearby bus lines to EDC Waltham (#57 to #70) and Boston (various); onsite and nearby restaurants.

Hotel Indigo

399 Grove Street, Newton, MA 02462
Reservations: Call 877-834-3613 or 617-969-5300, request "EDC" or "Education Development..." corporate rate or reference #100261539, starting **\$175**, based on availability, free parking and Wi-Fi. See [website](#).
Hotel is 3.8 miles from EDC Conference Center; comp shuttle to and from EDC, book in advance of trip; or call taxi service to EDC; few restaurant options nearby; high priced restaurant onsite.

Hilton Garden Inn Waltham

420 Totten Pond Road, Waltham, MA 02451
Reservations: Check [website](#) for availability (corporate account: N0445513), or call 877-782-9444 or 781-890-0100 for "EDC" corporate rate, starting **\$179**, based on availability, free breakfast and Wi-Fi.
Hotel is 3.2 miles from EDC Conference Center; comp shuttle to and from EDC, book in advance of trip; or call taxi service to EDC; few restaurant options nearby.

Hyatt House Waltham

54 Fourth Avenue, Waltham, MA 02451

Reservations: Call 866-974-9288 or 781-290-0026 for “EDC” corporate rates, starting **\$192** (1 BR suite with kitchen), based on availability, free breakfast, light dinner Mon-Thu, and Wi-Fi. See [website](#).

Hotel is 3.7 miles from EDC Conference Center; comp shuttle to and from EDC, book in advance of trip; or call taxi service to EDC; few restaurant options nearby.

Club Quarters Boston

161 Devonshire Street, Boston, MA 02109

Reservations: Call 617-357-6400 to request “EDC” corporate rate, starting **\$209**, based on availability, free Wi-Fi. See [website](#).

Hotel is 10.1 miles from EDC Conference Center in downtown Boston (Financial District); no shuttle service; or call taxi service to EDC; close to Boston dining and sightseeing.

Lenox Hotel Boston

61 Exeter Street, Boston, MA 02116

Reservations: Book online at www.lenoxhotel.com, or call 800-899-0564 or 617-536-0041, enter “EDC” in corporate/promo code field, starting **\$290**, based on availability, free Wi-Fi.

Hotel is 8.8 miles from EDC Conference Center in downtown Boston (Back Bay); no shuttle service; or call taxi service to EDC; close to Boston dining and sightseeing.

PARKING:

The EDC Conference Center is located at 43 Foundry Ave, within the CenterPoint development. Parking is free and allowed anywhere in the complex.

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION:

Taxi Service: The EDC Conference Center is located approximately 13.2 miles from Boston Logan airport (a 20-25 minute ride), and the estimated taxi fare is \$55 - \$78, depending on traffic. There are 24-hour cabstands in front of every airport terminal. From EDC, feel free to ask the front desk to help order a cab. Below are some of the local taxi companies.

- **McCue's Taxi:** 617-924-0600 or 617-926-2000 (EDC preferred vendor)
- Boston Cab: 617-262-2227
- Checker Taxi: 617-536-7000
- City Cab: 617-536-5100
- MetroCab: 617-242-8000
- Red Cab: 617-734-5000
- Town Taxi: 617-536-5000

Uber (car service): www.uber.com/cities/boston - For the smartphone savvy, Uber is an on-demand car service that allows you to request private drivers through applications for iPhone, Android, and Blackberry devices. The service utilizes dispatch software to send the nearest licensed professional driver to your location. To use Uber, you will first need to download the app, sign up for an account, which requires a credit card on file. Select your vehicle type and corresponding rate. Payments and

tips are handled automatically for each ride; you can adjust tip settings by logging into your Uber account. Cancel within 2 minutes of sending your request in order to avoid a \$10 cancellation fee.

Public Transit From Logan Airport: Board the free Massport shuttle buses (Routes Nos. 22, 33, or 55 to “MBTA Blue Line”) outside your terminal. The Massport shuttle buses, which have extra storage space for luggage, will drop you off directly in front of Airport Station where you can purchase your CharlieTicket at the ticket machines inside the station's lobby. Insert your CharlieTicket in the turnstyle to access the station platform.

From Logan Airport to EDC: By public transportation, the total travel time is approximately 1 hour, 15 minutes. Take the Silver Line bus towards South Station (14 min, or 5 stops). At South Station, transfer to the Red Line train towards Alewife (10 min, or 5 stops). Arrive at Central Square Station and exit to street level. Walk southwest one block to the bus station at Green St @ Magazine St, heading away from Massachusetts Avenue, and passing Cambridge Savings Bank on your left. Take the #70A bus towards North Waltham, via Watertown and Trapelo Rd (28 min, or 41 stops). Get off at the Main St opposite Willow St stop. Head west to cross over Main St and walk down Willow St (0.4 mile). Turn left onto Foundry Ave, and the main entrance to EDC headquarters will be on your right. The front desk receptionist will help guide you to the Main Conference Room.

Some options for getting around town –

Traveling on the MBTA: The MBTA offers train and bus services throughout Boston and nearby Waltham. Please [visit mbta.com](http://mbta.com) to plan your own route and for information on travel fares. The MBTA also offers [mobile apps](#) and a [service alerts notification system](#) for real-time service updates and transit information. For specific directions via public transportation, please consult the mbta.com [Trip Planner](#), [Google Maps](#), or ask your hotel concierge for assistance.

Accessible Services / Special Needs Transportation: THE RIDE provides transportation for people who have a physical or mental disability that prevents them from using public transportation. THE RIDE is operated in compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act and is a shared-ride service, which means you will be traveling with other people. Lift-equipped vans are used to serve persons with disabilities, including those who use wheelchairs and scooters. Call 617-222-3200.

GREATER BOSTON AREA ATTRACTIONS

Waltham is a city located about 12 miles west of central Boston on the Charles River and is considered part of the Greater Boston area, while retaining its own unique character amongst Boston’s outer suburbs. It is sometimes called “Watch City” because it was home to Waltham Watch Company, founded in 1850.

Waltham Tourism Guide - <http://www.walthamtourism.com/Home>

From Waltham, you are just a 20-minute drive away from numerous Boston attractions such as the Boston Common, Copley Square, Fenway Park, Freedom Trail, Newbury Street, North End, Waterfront, and more of historic Boston.

Boston Travel Guide - <http://boston.destinations.hyatt.com/dlp/en/boston/explore.html>

BOSTON AREA RESTAURANTS

(Listed alphabetically)

<p>Aquitane: (Price \$\$\$) French bistro, New American, weekend brunch, reserve early.</p> <p>569 Tremont St (betw. Clarendon St & Union Park; South End) Boston. 617-424-8577. 9.3 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Fri - serving lunch and dinner; open Sat-Sun - serving brunch and dinner.</p>	<p>B & G Oysters: (Price \$\$\$) Seafood, Raw Bar, New England favorites, Mediterranean inspired cuisine, reserve early.</p> <p>550 Tremont St (betw. Hanson & Waltham St; South End), Boston. 617-423-0550. 9.3 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving lunch and dinner.</p>
<p>Basho Japanese Brasserie: (Price \$\$\$) Sushi Bar.</p> <p>1338 Boylston St (betw. Yawkey Way & Kilmarnock St; Fenway), Boston. 617-262-1338. 10.3 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Sat - serving lunch and dinner.</p>	<p>The Beehive: (Price \$\$\$) Jazz & Blues, New American, weekend brunch, takes reservations.</p> <p>541 Tremont St (betw. Hanson & Milford St; South End), Boston. 617-423-0069. 9.3 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Fri - serving dinner; open Sat-Sun - serving brunch and dinner.</p>
<p>The Capital Grille: (Price \$\$\$\$) Steakhouse, dressy attire, reserve early.</p> <p>900 Boylston St (betw. Hereford & Gloucester St), Boston. 617-262-8900. 8.4 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Fri - serving lunch and dinner; open Sat-Sun - serving dinner.</p>	<p>Church (Restaurant): (Price \$\$) New American, music club, short walk to Museum of Fine Arts.</p> <p>69 Kilmarnock St (betw. Queensberry & Peterborough St; Fenway), Boston. 617-236-7600. 8.9 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving dinner; Sun Brunch.</p>
<p>Cuchi Cuchi: (Price \$\$\$) Small Plates, "Global cuisine," 1920s theme, dressy attire, reserve early.</p> <p>795 Main St (Kendall Square, MIT), Cambridge. 617-864-2929. 7.8 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving dinner.</p>	<p>Darryl's Corner Kitchen & Bar: (Price \$\$) Jazz & Blues, Southern cuisine, reserve early.</p> <p>604 Columbus Ave (betw. Northampton St & Newcastle Ct; South End), Boston. 617-536-1100. 8.6 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Tue-Sat - serving dinner; open Sun - serving brunch and dinner.</p>
<p>Deuxave: (Price \$\$\$\$) New American, dressy attire, reserve early.</p> <p>371 Commonwealth Ave (Back Bay), Boston. 617-517-5915. 8.4 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving dinner.</p>	<p>Eastern Standard Kitchen & Drinks: (Price \$\$\$) New American, Raw Bar, kitchen open late, reserve early.</p> <p>528 Commonwealth Ave (Kenmore), Boston. 617-532-9100. 8.4 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner.</p>

<p>The Gallows: (Price \$\$) New American, “loud and welcoming,” reservations for 6 or more.</p> <p>1395 Washington St (betw. Union Park St & Pelham St; South End), Boston. 617-425-0200. 9.7 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Wed - serving dinner; open Thu-Sun - serving lunch and dinner.</p>	<p>Island Creek Oyster Bar: (Price \$\$\$) Farm to Table Seafood, Raw Bar, reserve early.</p> <p>500 Commonwealth Ave (Kenmore), Boston. 617-532-5300. 8.4 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Sat - serving dinner; open Sun - serving brunch, lunch, and dinner.</p>
<p>Legal Sea Foods - Prudential Center: (Price \$\$\$) Seafood, the NE clam chowder at presidential inaugurations since 1981, takes reservations.</p> <p>800 Boylston St (Back Bay), Boston. 617-266-6800. 8.2 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving lunch and dinner.</p>	<p>Lucy Ethiopian Café: (Price \$) Ethiopian, Coffee & Tea.</p> <p>334 Massachusetts Ave (betw. Huntington Ave & St Botolph St; near Symphony Hall), Boston. 8.4 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving lunch and dinner.</p>
<p>Marliave: (Price \$\$\$) French, Raw Bar, daily oyster specials 4-6 pm and 9-10 pm.</p> <p>10 Bosworth St (betw. Tremont St & Chapman Pl; Downtown Crossing), Boston. 617-422-0004. 9.8 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving lunch and dinner.</p>	<p>Mistral: (Price \$\$\$\$) New American, dressy attire, reserve early.</p> <p>223 Columbus Ave (betw. Clarendon St & Cahners Pl; South End, Back Bay), Boston. 617-867-9300. 9 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - dinner; Sun Brunch - 10:30 am-2 pm.</p>
<p>Oleana: (Price \$\$\$) Mediterranean, vegetarian tasting menu, limited space, reserve early.</p> <p>134 Hampshire St (Inman Square), Cambridge. 617-661-0505. 7.9 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving dinner.</p>	<p>Orinoco: (Price \$\$) Latin American, Caribbean, limited space, reserve early.</p> <p>477 Shawmut Ave (betw. Cumston Pl & DeBlois St; South End), Boston. 9.4 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Tue-Sat - serving lunch and dinner; open Sun - serving lunch.</p>
<p>Row 34: (Price \$\$) New American, Seafood, Raw Bar, local craft beers, limited space, reserve early.</p> <p>383 Congress St (at Thompson Pl; Waterfront, South Boston), Boston. 617-553-5900. 10.8 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Fri - serving lunch and dinner; open Sat-Sun - serving dinner.</p>	<p>Stephanie’s on Newbury: (Price \$\$\$) New American, Sun brunch, outdoor patio, reserve early.</p> <p>90 Newbury St (betw. Dartmouth & Exeter St; Back Bay), Boston. 617-236-0990. 8.8 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving lunch and dinner; Sun Brunch - 10 am-3 pm.</p>
<p>Toro: (Price \$\$\$) Tapas Bar, limited space, no reservations except lunch and brunch for 6 or more.</p> <p>1704 Washington St (betw. Worcester Sq & Springfield St; South End), Boston. 617-536-4300.</p> <p>Open Sun-Fri - serving lunch and dinner; open Sat - serving dinner.</p>	<p>Union Oyster House: (Price \$\$\$) Seafood, Raw Bar, “oldest restaurant in Boston.”</p> <p>41 Union St (near Faneuil Hall), Boston. 617-227-2750. 10.8 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving lunch and dinner.</p>

NOTE: Just a small sampling of what Boston has to offer. Try nearby Cambridge, Somerville, and more!

WALTHAM AREA RESTAURANTS

(Listed alphabetically)

<p>Cook: (Price \$\$) New American, bistro, casual, weekend brunch, reserve early.</p> <p>825 Washington St, West Newton. 617-964-2665. 1.8 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Fri - serving lunch and dinner; open Sat-Sun - serving brunch and dinner.</p>	<p>Fiorella's: (Price \$\$) Italian, Seafood, Pizza, good for groups.</p> <p>187 North St, Newtonville. 617-969-9990. 0.6 mile from conference, within walking distance.</p> <p>Open Mon-Sat - serving lunch and dinner; open Sun - serving dinner.</p>
<p>The Gaff: (Price \$\$) Pub, Burgers, local craft beers.</p> <p>467 Moody St, Waltham. 781-209-5600. 1.4 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Thu - serving dinner; open Fri-Sun - serving lunch and dinner.</p>	<p>La Campagnia: (Price \$\$\$) Italian, dressy attire, romantic ambience.</p> <p>504 Main St, Waltham. 781-894-4280. 1.2 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Sat - serving dinner.</p>
<p>Lumière: (Price \$\$\$) French, farm to table, chef's tasting menu.</p> <p>1293 Washington St, Newton. 617-244-9199. 2.2 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving dinner.</p>	<p>Not Your Average Joe's: (Price \$\$) New American, gluten free menu, good for groups.</p> <p>55 Main St, Watertown. 617-926-9229. 2.2 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving lunch and dinner.</p>
<p>Oishii Sushi Bar: (Price \$\$\$) Japanese, Sushi Bar, sushi lovers' favorite.</p> <p>612 Hammond St, Chestnut Hill. 617-277-7888. 6.3 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Tue-Sun - serving lunch and dinner; open later at 1 pm on weekends.</p>	<p>Red Bird: (Price \$\$\$) New American, small, cozy.</p> <p>361 Moody St, Waltham. 781-891-5486. 1.4 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Tue-Sun - serving dinner.</p>
<p>Red Lentil Vegetarian: (Price \$\$) Vegan, Vegetarian, "creative and globally inspired"</p> <p>600 Mt Auburn St, Watertown. 617-972-9188. 4.3 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Fri - serving lunch and dinner; open Sat-Sun - serving breakfast, lunch, dinner.</p>	<p>Stellina: (Price \$\$\$) Italian, casual, cozy ambience, reserve early on weekends.</p> <p>47 Main St, Watertown. 617-924-9475. 2.2 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Tue-Fri - serving lunch and dinner; open Sat-Mon - serving dinner.</p>
<p>Taquería Mexico: (Price \$) Mexican, relaxed pace, live music on Fri.</p> <p>24 Charles St, Waltham. 781-893-2205. 1.1 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open daily - serving lunch and dinner.</p>	<p>Tempo: (Price \$\$\$) New American, Bistro, Bar.</p> <p>474 Moody St, Waltham. 781-891-9000. 1.4 miles from conference.</p> <p>Open Mon-Sat - serving dinner.</p>

NOTE: Moody Street is Waltham's "Restaurant Row" with many choices of cuisine in smaller sized spaces.