



# 2024 WEFTEC STUDENTS & YOUNG PROFESSIONALS EVENT GUIDE



## WATER PALOOZA

### ST. MARY'S ACADEMY

6905 Chef Menteur Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70126  
Friday, October 4 | 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Water Palooza is an environmental/water awareness fair that provides education to a local K-9 school in the WEFTEC area. Volunteers set up booths depicting all aspects of water quality/conservation and spend the day teaching students about their passion for water.

Join this day-long education fair the Friday before WEFTEC 2024 and encourage students to become stewards of their water environment.

### INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING AT THE EVENT?

Contact Ama Richardson at [arichardson@wef.org](mailto:arichardson@wef.org), as our enthusiastic members help make this event such a success.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

### ST. MARY'S ACADEMY

6905 Chef Menteur Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70126  
Saturday, October 5 | 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

The annual WEF Community Service Project, organized by the Students and Young Professionals Community (SYPC), offers WEFTEC participants an opportunity to give back to the local host community of New Orleans. Prepare yourself to build, plant, paint, and rehabilitate an outdoor worksite. Registration for the Service Project is free and open to all WEFTEC participants.

To sign-up, add this event onto your registration (it's free!) when you register for WEFTEC. If you have already registered for WEFTEC, you can contact customer service and ask them to help you add this event to your profile.





## JAMMIN'4WATER MUSICAL BENEFIT CONCERT

**GENERATIONS HALL | 310 Andrew Higgins Blvd,  
New Orleans, LA 70130**

**Saturday, October 5**

Jammin'4Water (J4W) is an open-mic amateur performance benefitting water charities. J4W provides students and young professionals participating in the WEF Community Service Project with discounted tickets to the event.



Tickets are available at [jammin4water.org](http://jammin4water.org) or through WEFTEC registration. For more information visit [www.jammin4water.org](http://www.jammin4water.org).

## STUDENT DESIGN COMPETITION (SDC) WASTEWATER

**New Orleans Convention Center, Room 272  
Sunday, October 6 | 8:00 am – 4:15 pm**

### WATER ENVIRONMENT

**New Orleans Convention Center, Room 276  
Sunday, October 6 | 8:00 am – 4:15 pm**

### AWARDS RECEPTION

**New Orleans Convention Center, Room 272  
Sunday, October 6 | 4:45 pm – 6:15 pm**

The WEFTEC Student Design Competition (SDC), organized annually by the SDC Planning Committee, provides university student teams from WEF Member Associations (MAs) an opportunity to gain real-world design experience by producing a written and verbal design project. WEF offers wastewater design and environmental design categories to encourage students of all technical backgrounds to participate. The top 4 teams from each category are recognized, with approximately 25 teams from approximately 5 countries competing annually.

The presentation schedule will be posted on the SDC

webpage before WEFTEC, <https://www.wef.org/membership-community/students-young-professionals/yp-student-design/>. The day ends with an awards ceremony and light fare.



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## SYP RECEPTION RSVP

If you have any questions, please contact WEF YP Staff Liaison, Ama Richardson at [arichardson@wef.org](mailto:arichardson@wef.org).



## STUDENTS & YOUNG PROFESSIONALS CAREER FAIR

**New Orleans Convention Center, Booth 151, Hall B1  
Monday, October 7 | 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm**

20+ companies will be on-site for the WEFTEC SYP Career Fair, with private interview booth space available for the day of interviews. Network with these companies on the leading edge of the water sector as they look for new graduates to hire. You can also get a complimentary headshot for professional use while there. Be sure to submit your resume for inclusion in the "Resume Book" by Thursday, September 5th, to Brad Lovett ([blovett@wef.org](mailto:blovett@wef.org)). Companies frequently use this resource to reach out to potential hires before WEFTEC.

## ANNUAL STUDENT CHAPTER MEETING

**New Orleans Convention Center, Room 218  
Monday, October 7 | 10:00 am – 11:00 am**

Network with other student chapters, share ideas, and learn how WEF can help as you begin your professional career from the Student Activities Community, a subcommunity of the WEF Students & Young Professionals Community (SYPC). We will also hear from the 2024 Student Chapter of the Year Award recipients!

## STUDENTS AND YOUNG PROFESSIONALS COMMUNITY (SYPC) MEETING

**New Orleans Convention Center, Room 218  
Monday, October 7 | 11:30 am – 12:30 pm**

Join us to learn more about WEF programs for students and young professionals. Young professionals, students, academics, mentors, and Member Association leaders are invited to attend this annual meeting at WEFTEC.

## STUDENTS AND YOUNG PROFESSIONALS RECEPTION

**REPUBLIC NOLA | 828 S Peters St, New Orleans, LA 70130  
Monday, October 7 | 8pm – 10pm (CST)**

Come celebrate with students and young professionals (YPs) in the water sector! Students and YPs are invited to meet up, network, and learn more about the WEF Students and Young Professionals Community (SYPC) and SYPC Programs. Hors d'oeuvres and drink tickets will be provided. A karaoke DJ will be spinning the entire evening!

Attendees of any age (21+ and under 21) are welcome and encouraged to attend. **RSVP REQUIRED** (see QR code on the left).

