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Thank you for attending the

**Annual Laotian
Educational Conference**

5th Annual Conference

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Keynote Speaker

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Visa Sayavath

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023

from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

FRESNO STATE SATELLITE STUDENT UNION

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Sabaidee and welcome to the 5th Annual Laotian Educational Conference!

We are so excited to have each and every one of you here with us today on Fresno State's campus.

Together, we will learn about how to achieve educational and career success, as well as explore many aspects of our beautiful Lao culture, including food, music, and cultural traditions.

Knowing and understanding our history and culture enables us to better understand ourselves, our struggles, triumphs, and accomplishments.

Please ask questions, provide feedback, and gain as much knowledge as you can throughout today's conference. Always remember that your voices are

extremely powerful, and when we speak up and share our concerns and needs, they can be supported and addressed. The ALEC came to life over 5 years ago after 3 high school students spoke up and shared their desire for the opportunity to visit Fresno State's campus.

Because of their courage and sharing of voices, each year, students like yourselves now have the opportunity to visit Fresno State. Let's speak up, share our voices, and learn together!



PROGRAM AGENDA

- 8:30 REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST**
Lany Sivongsay Avakian, Mistress of Ceremonies
- 9:00 WELCOME & CONFERENCE OVERVIEW**
Facilitated by Dr. Khampha Thephavong,
Lany Sivongsay Avakian, Phonesavanh Bounkhoun
- 9:15 CULTURAL PERFORMANCE**
Lao Community Cultural Center of Fresno (LCCCF)
- 9:25 DR. BOB NELSON**
Fresno Unified School District Superintendent
- 9:35 KHETPHET "KP" PHAGNASAY**
Keynote Speaker
- 10:00 CULTURAL PERFORMANCE**
Lao Community Cultural Center of Fresno (LCCCF)
- 10:05 DR. SAÚL JIMÉNEZ-SANDOVAL**
Fresno State President
- 10:15 BREAK**
- 10:30 FINANCE 101 WORKSHOP**
EECU • Facilitated by Kong Phimmachack
- 11:00 LANGUAGE & CULTURE WORKSHOP**
Facilitated by Dr. Khampha Thephavong,
Lysing Prathamavong, Phonesavanh Bounkhoun,
Visa Sayavath
- 12:00 LUNCH AND CAREER RESOURCE FAIR**
- 1:00 RAFFLE**
- 1:10 SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCE**
- 2:00 LAO STUDENT ASSOCIATION (LSA)**
- 2:10 CLOSING**