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CONFERENCE**  
**OCTOBER 18-20, 2026**

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**Huntsville, Alabama**

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Leadership: Exploring  
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## 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

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Southern Regional Council on Educational Administration (SRCEA) is the only regional, non-profit organization for professionals in Educational Administration. The region is currently comprised of 14 states from Virginia in the northeast, to Missouri in the northwest, to Texas in the southwest, and to Florida in the southeast.

School principals, superintendents, professors, project coordinators, researchers, doctoral students, and other education professionals are invited to attend. The organization encourages collaboration across the region in terms of research and mentorship.

For More Information and to Register:

<https://www.srcea.co/conference>

#### **CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

Please submit the 2026 Proposal using the following Google Docs Form Link:

[SRCEA Conference Register HERE!](#)

[SRCEA Call for Proposals 2026](#)

[SRCEA Hotel Reservations 2026](#)

**Proposals are due no later than 11:59 PM on September 18, 2026.**

The Southern Regional Council for Educational Administration will host this year's conference at The Embassy Suites by Hilton Huntsville; 800 Monroe St. SW, Huntsville, AL 35801. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask!

*(Eric Kirkman, Conference Chair, [ekirkman@una.edu](mailto:ekirkman@una.edu))*

# THINGS TO DO IN THE “ROCKET CITY”

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## U.S. Space & Rocket Center

The U.S. Space & Rocket Center annually hosts visitors from every state in the U.S. and more than 80 foreign nations who come to share the spirit of discovery through immersive education and experience.

The USSRC's large rocket and space hardware collection contains more than 1,500 items that showcase the past, present and future of human spaceflight.

### ***Notable Artifacts***

- National Historic Landmark Saturn V Moon Rocket
- Pathfinder – one of only two full-stack space shuttle displays in the world.
- Apollo 16 Command Module
- Skylab Orbital Workshop
- Apollo 12 Moon Rock

The U.S. Space & Rocket Center is more than just artifacts! Experience the physics of astronaut training in simulators like Moon Shot and G-Force. Our world-class *INTUITIVE*<sup>®</sup> Planetarium transports you through our universe and beyond with live shows in a 67-foot dome theater. Catch a daily STEM on Stage or stroll through historic Rocket Park.

There's always something exciting happening at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center!

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## ARE YOU UP FOR SOME SHOPPING?

### BRIDGESTREET TOWN CENTRE



Visitors and locals all love Huntsville's Bridge Street Town Centre. This outdoor shopping complex in Research Park was designed with an old-world charm mixed with modern store fronts featuring cobblestone walkways and European architecture.

Mixed among upscale brands like Michael Kors, Pandora and Anthropologie, you'll find specialty stores for everyone in your life – the cook, the active outdoorsy type, or the techie. There's also a stand-alone flagship Belk department store and more than 70 other shops and restaurants. There is also a movie theater with D-BOX motion seating!

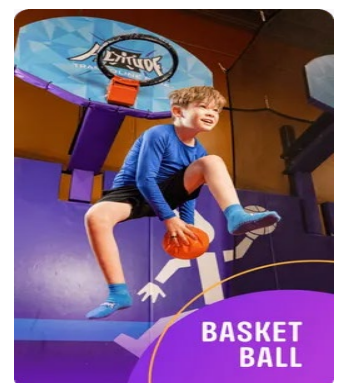
### ALTITUDE TRAMPOLINE PARK

Looking for something fun for the kids? Located right next to the Target on University Drive, the park features high energy equipment such as trampolines, foam pits, a rock climbing wall, a trapeze, zip line and so much more. Come with your friends, your family, or host your birthday parties,

group events and fundraisers there. 6275 University Drive NW

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# TOPGOLF

6100 Topgolf Drive NW  
Huntsville, AL



It's Golf. It's Not Golf. It's Topgolf!

We've got lots of stuff that makes us golf: clubs, balls, tees, turf, a ball-picker-upper-cart thing, etc. We also have lots of stuff that's not golf: loud music, giant targets, giant TVs, and hand-crafted food & drinks.

Using our complimentary clubs or your own, take aim at the giant outfield targets and our high-tech balls will score themselves. We have games for all skill levels, whether you're an aspiring golf pro or picking up a club for the first time. So, grab the fam, a few friends, or some coworkers and Come Play Around!

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## HUNTSVILLE MUSEUM OF ART

(WALKING DISTANCE FROM THE HOTEL)

**The Huntsville Museum of Art** sits in Big Spring Park, the epicenter of the dynamic and evolving city center that is Downtown Huntsville, and works as a magnet for cultural activities. Founded in 1970 by city ordinance of the Museum Board of the City of Huntsville, the Museum serves Huntsville and Madison County's combined population of 420,000 residents. The mission statement of the Museum is to bring people and art together through acquiring, preserving, exhibiting and interpreting the highest quality works of art. The mission statement is based on two beliefs: An understanding that the arts enriches lives; and that visual ideas are best perceived, understood and enjoyed through first-hand experience of original artistic achievement.



# HUNTSVILLE ESCAPE ROOMS

Looking for something different and exciting to do? Look no further! The Escape is a fun, incredibly immersive, new entertainment experience like no other! Get a group of friends together and see if you have what it takes to escape the room in 60 minutes. It might be the fastest hour you've ever spent! For more information on how this "escape thing" works, check out our [FAQ](#) page.

## The Challenge

Find a **TEAM**: 4-7 people

Beat the **TIME**: 60 minutes

Have some **FUN**: escape the room solving puzzles and finding clues!

## HERE ARE A FEW LOCAL FOOD OPTIONS...

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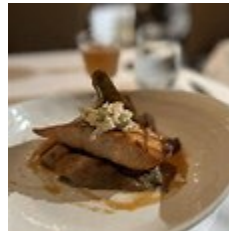
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### **Rhythm on Monroe**

**3.5/5** American

700 Monroe St SW, Huntsville

Opens 4 PM · (256) 551-2311



3.

### **Cotton Row**

**4/5** American

100 Southside Square, Huntsville

Opens 4 PM · (256) 382-9500



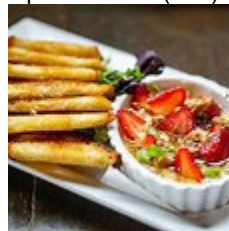
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### **Commerce Kitchen**

**3.5/5** Southern restaurant

300 Franklin St SE, Huntsville

Closes 10 PM · (256) 382-6622



4.

### **MELT HUNTSVILLE**

**4.5/5** American

201 Jefferson St N, Huntsville

Closes 10 PM · (256) 517-8755

5.



**The Poppy and Parliament**

**4.5/5** Restaurant

117 Northside Square, Huntsville

(256) 715-7152

6.



**1892 East Restaurant & Tavern**

**4/5** American

720 Pratt Ave NE, Huntsville

(256) 489-1242

7.



**Purveyor**

**4/5** American

201 Jefferson St N, Huntsville

(256) 419-2555

8.



**Mazzara's Vinoteca**

**4.5/5** Italian Restaurant

102 Gates Ave SE, Huntsville

(256) 804-6299

9.



**Hildegard's German Cuisine**

**4.5/5** German

2357 Whitesburg Dr SE, Huntsville

(256) 512-9776

10.



**One Eleven**

**4.5/5** Restaurant

111 Washington St NE, Huntsville

(256) 715-5111

11.



**Carrabba's Italian Grill**

**3/5** Italian

S Memorial Pkwy, Huntsville

(256) 288-1333

12.



**Olive Garden Italian Restaurant**

**2.5/5** Italian

3730 University Dr NW, Huntsville

(256) 539-1955