



Location and Timing for 2021 First Vice District Governor/District Governor-Elect (FVDG/DGE) Seminar

Effective with the 2018-2019 Lions year, there was a change to the location and timing of First Vice District Governor/District Governor-Elect (FVDG/DGE) Seminar.

At the October 2016 International Board of Directors meeting in Nashville, TN, USA, the board of directors approved the concept of holding the FVDG/DGE seminar at a fixed location in February, apart from the International Convention.

The information supplied below will provide some details of the new FVDG/DGE Seminar concept.

FVDG/DGE Seminar Structure	
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Benefits of the new FVDG/DGE Seminar structure	<p>Training the FVDGs/DGEs earlier in the year provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More opportunities for the FVDGs/DGEs to prepare for their year as district governor • Increased focus on training for FVDGs/DGEs • The opportunity to visit Lions Clubs International headquarters
Impact to the overall FVDG/DGE Training Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of FY 2018-2019, the training program is referred to as the First Vice District Governors/District Governors-Elect (FVDGs/DGEs) Training Program. • There is no DGE Area Training in the new structure. • The FVDG/DGE Training Program consists of the following components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-assignments (online) • Multiple District training • FVDG/DGE Seminar Days 1-3 • Post-assignments (online) • FVDG/DGE Seminar Day 4
FVDG/DGE Seminar Dates and Location	
2020-2021 FVDG/DGE Seminar Dates	<p>Days 1-3 February 2-4, 2021 St. Charles, Illinois USA (FVDG/DGE* only)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival date February 1, 2021 • Departure date February 5, 2021 <p>Day 4 June 25, 2021 in Montréal (DGE & spouse/companion)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival date June 24, 2021 • Departure date June 30, 2021



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FVDG/DGE Fixed Seminar location	The Q Center in St. Charles, Illinois USA was selected as the site for Days 1-3 of the FVDG/DGE Seminar for the years 2019 – 2023.
Future FVDG/DGE Seminar date(s)	To assist with future planning, the dates below provide a range of time, within which future FVDG/DGE Seminars will be held. The exact dates of the FVDG/DGE Seminar within that range will be confirmed at a later date. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feb 4, 2022 –Feb 12, 2022 • Feb 3, 2023 –Feb 11, 2023
District Impact	
Elections	As the training is technically the FVDG/DGE Training Program, districts will not have to change their election dates.
Adult Spouse/Companion Participation	
Days 1-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spouses/Companions will NOT participate/or travel to Days 1-3 at the Q Center • Business or multiple district/district attire is requested throughout Days 1-3
Day 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spouses/Companions will participate and travel to Day 4 at the International Convention • Business or multiple district/district attire is requested during Day 4
Travel Arrangements and Reimbursement	
Travel arrangements – FVDG/DGE* and Spouses/Companions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For travel costs to be reimbursed, travel arrangements must comply with the Lions Clubs International travel policy and procedures. • Travel/flight arrangements should be booked only after receiving official communications from Lions Clubs International. • All airfare reservations must be handled by Lions Clubs International approved travel agency.
FVDG/DGE*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For travel to the Q Center for Days 1-3 and to International Convention for Day 4, one (1) economy round-trip airline ticket for the FVDG/DGE by the shortest and most direct route for the approved travel dates will be reimbursed. • Incoming Provisional Region Chairpersons should refer to Board Policy, Chapter IX, Section I. Coordinating Lion Program, 6.a.4 for reimbursement criteria. For questions, contact: DistrictOfficers@lionsclubs.org



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Spouse/Companion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regarding travel to the International Convention, per board policy, reimbursement for one (1) economy roundtrip airline ticket for one eligible adult companion will be provided based on actual cost not to exceed US\$500.00. Transitional and Provisional districts should refer to Board Policy, Chapter IX, Section C.3 and C.4 for reimbursement criteria. To verify your district's status, contact: DistrictOfficers@lionsclubs.org
Multiple District/District Lion Participation	
Days 1-3	No additional persons (multiple district/district staff, district governors, council chairperson or incoming council chairpersons, etc.) other than the first vice district governors/district governors-elect* will be allowed at the Q Center for the 2021 FVDG/DGE Seminar (February 2-4, 2021)
Day 4	Only 2021 FVDG/DGE Seminar Group Leaders, 2021 FVDG/DGEs and their spouses or adult companions will be allowed in the learning sessions.
QUESTIONS?	
Contact the Leadership Development Division by email at leadershipdevelopment@lionsclubs.org	

*and incoming provisional region chairperson