

# BUSINESS FORECAST

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The Center for Business and Economic Research in the Sam M. Walton College of Business at the University of Arkansas invites you to partner with us as a sponsor of the twenty-fourth annual Business Forecast luncheon. Each year, this event attracts approximately 1,000 area business leaders to hear economic experts discuss the international, national, and local economies.

You have the opportunity to attend the 2018 Business Forecast luncheon and demonstrate your support of the outreach activities at the Center for Business and Economic Research by choosing to be a:

- **Walton Presenting Partner (\$10,000)** includes two tables of ten with Level I priority seating, two adjacent tables for Walton College students, and the chance to meet the speakers on the day of the event.
- **Walton Academic Partner (\$5,000)** includes one table of ten with Level I priority seating, one adjacent table for Walton College students, and the chance to meet the speakers on the day of the event.
- **Walton Corporate Partner (\$3,000)** includes one table of ten with Level II priority seating.
- **Walton Business Partner (\$2,000)** includes one table of ten with Level III priority seating.

The twenty-fourth annual event will take place on Friday, January 26, 2018 at the John Q. Hammons Convention Center in the World Trade Center District in Rogers, Arkansas. We are excited about the prospects for this year's luncheon with our featured speaker, Milken Institute Chairman **Michael Milken**. Mike has long been an important medical research and public health advocate as well as a legendary financial innovator (see [www.mikemilken.com](http://www.mikemilken.com)). He will speak about current macroeconomic trends and about restoring the American dream for all citizens. **Ross DeVol**, Walton Fellow and former chief research officer for the Milken Institute, will moderate a Q&A with Mike at the end of his speech. **Jim Walton**, Chairman and CEO of Arvest Bank Group will introduce both Mike and Ross. **Mervin Jebaraj**, interim director of the Center for Business and Economic Research, will provide the usual state and local economic forecast at the luncheon.

This prestigious event will allow you and your guests to network with other Arkansas business leaders and will provide excellent visibility for your organization throughout the region and state. A summary of sponsorship benefits and a sponsorship form are attached below for your convenience. If you have any questions, please contact Mervin Jebaraj in the Center for Business and Economic Research at (479) 575-4927 or via e-mail at [mjebaraj@walton.uark.edu](mailto:mjebaraj@walton.uark.edu). For the best seats at this great event, please fill out the form and submit by email soon!

# SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS

Your sponsorship of the Business Forecast luncheon program allows the Walton College to bring the highest quality economic speakers to Northwest Arkansas to share their expertise with business and community leaders from the state and region. Additionally, your sponsorship supports the outreach activities of the Center for Business and Economic Research throughout the year. Sponsorship also provides your organization with:

- **Priority seating at the Business Forecast luncheon:** With approximately 1,000 attendees at the event, sponsorship ensures that you have a seat near the stage!
- **Table signage with your organization's logo:** Your company's support of the Walton College will be on prominent display.
- **Recognition on the Business Forecast website:** Registrants will have the opportunity to see your organization highlighted as an event sponsor when they register.
- **Recognition in event materials:** The printed event program will have your company's logo included.
- **Recognition in the annual WALTON magazine:** With a distribution of over 30,000, your support of the Walton College will be appreciated.
- **Company name on the event registration print and online form:** More than 10,000 Arkansas business and community leaders receive our registration form.

Additionally, if you sponsor at the Walton Academic Partner level (or higher), you will receive

- **Exclusive meeting time with the speakers after the event at the John Q. Hammons Convention Center.**

If you have any questions, please contact Mervin Jebaraj at the Center for Business and Economic Research by phone at 479-575-4927 or by email at [mjebaraj@walton.uark.edu](mailto:mjebaraj@walton.uark.edu).



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## Sam M. Walton College of Business 2018 Business Forecast Luncheon Sponsorship Application Form

Email to [mjebaraj@walton.uark.edu](mailto:mjebaraj@walton.uark.edu)

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- One table of ten with Level III priority seating

**Yes! We would like to be a \_\_\_\_\_ sponsor of the 2018 Business Forecast Luncheon.**

**Yes! We would like \_\_\_\_\_ non-sponsored table(s) for the price of \$850 each.**

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*Company/Organization (or name that should be recognized for sponsorship)*

Contact name: \_\_\_\_\_

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