

TAFE Newsletter

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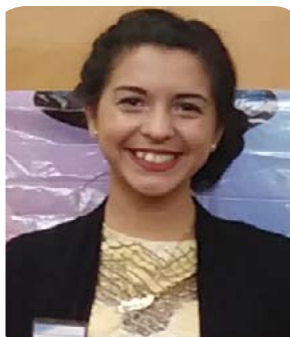


FROM OUR PRESIDENT

KAITLYN DAVIS - PRESIDENT

I hope everyone is enjoying this school year so far. I am so excited for what is in store this year. The other officers and I have been traveling the state of Texas gaining valuable information to help us best plan for the year ahead. It was amazing to speak to many different TAFE chapters and pick up some knowledge along the way. Please make the most out of this school year. The other officers and I cannot wait to see you all at state!

P.S. if you haven't already, make sure to follow us on Twitter and Instagram to keep up with any updates and to share your pictures with us! You can find us at @tafestate.



COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

MELISSA ARREOLA - VICE PRESIDENT

This is the time to start thinking about how you will pay for college. There are tons of free money out there waiting to be collected and given. Scholarships, grants and loans are money given to students to use for college expenses. Even though they all involve money, there is a major difference between all.



Here are some links to my favorite scholarship sites:

- **Grants** - Money that is given to students that have financial need. This money does not need to be paid back.
- **Loans** - Given to students on a financial need basis. This money will need to be paid back after you graduate.
- **Scholarships** - Money given to you that you do not have to be paid back. You may have to maintain a certain GPA level in order to keep your scholarship.

- <https://www.raise.me/>
- <https://www.fastweb.com/>
- <https://www.hsf.net/> -Scholarships for Hispanics
- <https://unconf.org/> -Scholarships for African Americans
- <http://apiasf.org/> -Scholarships for Asian and Pacific Islanders
- <https://www.unigo.com/scholarships>
- <https://www.unigo.com/scholarships#/fromscholarshipexperts>
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KUDOS

DYLAN ATKINS - SECRETARY

We are extremely thankful for all the teacher leaders who presented at and attended the TAFE Teacher Leader Workshop in July. It was great to see so many teachers excited about their TAFE chapters. We would also like to thank all of the new teachers who are bringing TAFE to their schools and we wish y'all the best of luck with your new chapter. With that, we would also like to send a shout out to the new teachers taking over existing chapters so they can keep TAFE in their school. We appreciate you taking on the challenge and hope you have a great experience with our wonderful organization. Once again, thank you all for keeping TAFE strong.

TRAFLES CONNECTIONS

Do you want your chapter featured here? Send me pictures and descriptions of your chapter events/activities that include the TRAFLES. Your chapter could be featured in the next newsletter. This section highlights TRAFLES projects that TAFE chapters throughout the state are doing within their schools. If you would like your chapter featured here, contact me at: Atkins.Dylan@lisdeagles.org.

PICTURE THIS

GRACE CARNES - HISTORIAN

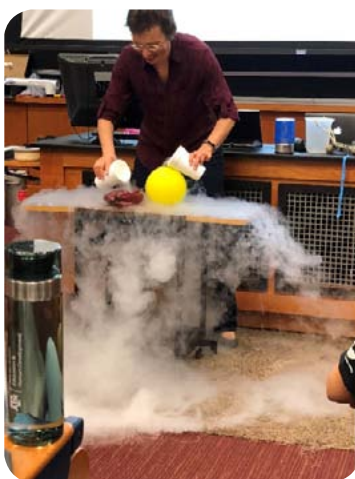
TAFE members have participated in many activities since last April. Please send pictures from your region conferences to me at 19carnesc@stu.chapelhillisd.org. I hope you have a fun year!!



JUNE - SUMMER LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP AT TEXAS A&M

During our time on the Texas A&M campus, chapter leaders from across the state rallied together to get the Aggie Experience not only that but received insight on how to better our leadership skills and become better educators. WE HAD A BLAST!!!

Breaking it down in a new physics lesson becomes quite the experience.



JUNE – EDUCATORS RISING NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN ORLANDO, FLORIDA



Officers and their teacher leaders enjoying some time at a dinosaur themed restaurant at nationals

JULY - TAFE TEACHER LEADER WORKSHOP – DALLAS, TX



Teachers creating their make and take project at the teacher leader workshop this summer

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FROM THE DIRECTOR

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I hope you have had a great start to the school year. Region Conferences are around the corner. I have plans to attend 10 of the 20 region conferences this year. I wish I could attend all of them, but it is impossible especially since some of the conferences are on the same day. I look forward to seeing as many as I can.

We have some exciting opportunities

REGION CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:

- To find information about your region conference, look at the Regional Map under “About” tab on the www.tafeonline.org website.
- Region competitive events registrations are linked on the TAFE website. To register:
 - o Login to the website.
 - o Scroll over the Event tab
 - o Click on Region Conferences
 - o Click on the link for your region conference
 - o Follow the instruction on your registration form
- Competitive events registration links will be open on Sunday October 1st. If you do not have your TAFE chapter dues paid, you will not see the Region Conferences page on the Events drop down menu, and you will not be able to register until your chapter dues are paid.

COMPETITIVE EVENTS CHANGES:

- Added a Special Edition category for special needs students with IEP’s to help them be successful at their level and added a permission form that needs to be signed to be able to participate in these events.
- Added Goal Setting Contest for Middle School and Special Edition categories
- Added ELF test to Higher Ed events
- Changed Bulletin Board Contest to Interactive Bulletin Board Contest
- Changed sections of Interactive Bulletin Board and Teacher Created Materials to Elementary and Secondary
- Added TEKS required on the summary sheet for Bulletin Board and Teacher Created Materials Contests
- Parliamentary Procedure Guidelines fixed to be consistent throughout to 1 entry per chapter. It had 1 entry in some places on the guidelines and in other places it had 2 entries per chapter.
- Added a Technology Skills section to the Portfolio Contest Rubric
- Removed Lesson Planning and Delivery – Outdoors
- Changed Chapter Scrapbook Contest name to Chapter Yearbook Contest
- Added “NO CELL PHONE use” to all impromptu events
- Added National Activity section to the Student of the Year Leadership Resume’
- Educators Rising dropped Impromptu Lesson this year because they were having a lot of problems with interpretation of the guidelines. We decided to keep it as a state event. One of our teacher leaders, Leah Zavala, was looking it over before using it in her lesson and found a lot of discrepancies and notified us. We cleaned it up and posted the new version mid-September.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

There will be \$100 Judge's Choice scholarship per competition to each participant chosen in the event. For Example: in individual events, the individual receives \$100. In team events, each member of the team will receive \$100.

DRESS CODE CHANGES:

- Change dress code to Skirt/dress and dress shoe – See Dress Code Policy
All students should be in Business Professional dress while competing and attending all TAFE conferences.

Females:

- Dress/Modest Shirt/Blouse with sleeves (Button-up, collared, polo, or shallow neckline is acceptable)
- Dress slacks or skirt/dress (with slits or length or no higher than knee) NO TIGHT fitting clothing
- OPTIONAL sweater or jacket
- Dress Shoes (not athletic or sandals) maximum 3" heel
- No Backless, see through, tight fitting, spaghetti straps, muffs, strapless, low-cut, etc. attire allowed.

EDUCATORS RISING MEMBERSHIP

Educators Rising has changed their dues structure.

Student Membership Tiers:

For 2018-2019, Educators Rising will introduce the EdRising Base and Active Memberships for students.

- Base Membership will be free to all students, and provide them with access to the online Educators Rising Virtual Campus, videos from National Board Certified Teachers, tools to support college planning and job hunting, and much more.
- Active Membership will include all Base Membership benefits plus it allows students to participate in national competitions, apply for scholarships, be eligible for recognition via the national Educators Rising Honor Society, and serve as national leaders for the entire Educators Rising community. Beginning January 1, 2019, the cost for Active Membership will be \$10. Teacher Leader membership will remain free.

NOTE: You do not have to pay anything unless you have students who advance from state to nationals and then you only have to pay for those who advance. As a teacher leader, you do not have to pay. So go ahead and get your students registered on the base membership. After state, those who qualify will have to change their base membership to active and pay the \$10.

TAFE Honor Society

Conference hotel information is posted

OPPORTUNITIES:

- **TAKE CARE OF TEXAS VIDEO CONTEST:** The contest closes on Dec. 16, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.
Visit TakeCareOfTexas.org/video-contest
The Take Care of Texas Video Contest is underway! Share this incredible opportunity with your students, kids, coworkers, and friends. It's a fun way for 6th - 12th graders to learn about the environment and share that knowledge with others. To enter, participants create a 30-second video that shows positive ways to Take Care of Texas.
- Texas Christian University, College of Education, will be hosting an "Exploring Education" Camp the week of June 10-14, 2019. *Day camp, \$125 (Scholarships may be available.)
<https://coe.tcu.edu/exploringed/> For more information: <https://coe.tcu.edu/exploringed/>
Dr. Cindy Savage, c.l.savage@tcu.edu or 817-257-7660
- **SOCIAL MEDIA:** If you have not joined TAFE on Facebook, please join. Help us get the word out! If you know a TAFE teacher leader who is not currently a member of this group, please invite them to join our group. Also, get your students to join. They can also join the TAFE Twitter and Instagram. If you are not a member, click on the links below to request to join.
- [Facebook](#) | [Twitter.com/tafestate](https://twitter.com/tafestate) | [Instagram.com/tafestate](https://www.instagram.com/tafestate)
- **NEW ADVISORS & MENTORS:**
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TEXAS IN THE TOP TEN WINNERS AT NATIONALS

1ST – 3RD PLACES ARE LISTED, THE OTHERS WERE ANNOUNCED IN THE TOP 10



CHILDREN'S LITERATURE PRE-K

1st Place Emma Z., South Texas BETA Blue, Edinburgh

2nd Place Mariana F., United High School, Laredo

3rd Place Dolores E. and Andrea R., Eisenhower High School, Houston

Haley P. and Alanna B., Marcus High School, Flower Mound

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE K-3

Ashlee B., Abernathy High School, Abernathy

Miriam C. and Vanessa L., NYOS Charter School, Austin

Marielle Anne R., Mary Carroll High School, Corpus Christi

Hannah T., Cooper High School, Abilene

CREATIVE LECTURE

1st Place Ryan K., Southwest High School, San Antonio

Jhoanna A., LBJ High School, Laredo

Dion J., Duncanville High School, Duncanville

ETHICAL DILEMMA

BCTAL – Richland, North Richland Hills

EXPLORING EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION CAREERS

1st Place Karaline K., Wylie East High School, Wylie

Tiffany J., South Texas BETA Blue, Edinburgh

EXPLORING NON-CORE TEACHING CAREERS

2nd Place Jacalin B., Abernathy High School, Abernathy

Katherine G. – Lake Highlands High School, Richardson

Jasmine P., North Garland High School, Garland

EXPLORING STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES CAREERS

Sifen Z., NYOS Charter School, Austin

EDUCATORS RISING LEADERSHIP AWARD

Kenia C., Lockhart High School, Lockhart

Lesly I., South Texas BETA Blue, Edinburgh

Marifer M., South Hills High School, Fort Worth

Erica T., Porter High School, Porter

EDUCATORS RISING MOMENT

Stephanie R., Ball High School, Galveston

Yasmin T., South Hills High School, Fort Worth

IMPROMPTU LESSON

1st Place Miller Career & Technology Center, Katy

3rd Place Sachse High School

Lehman High School, Buda

IMPROMPTU SPEAKING

3rd Place, Akeem, C., Killeen ISD Career Center, Killeen

Branson C., Bay City High School, Bay City

Chole T., Marcus High School, Flower Mound

INSIDE OUR SCHOOLS

3rd Place College Park High School, The Woodlands

Samuel Clemens High School, Schertz

Socorro High School, El Paso

United High School, Laredo

JOB INTERVIEW

1st Place Hannah E., Round Rock High School, Round Rock

3rd Place Madeline G., BCTAL-Birdville/Haltom, North Richland Hills

Jose A., United High School, Laredo

Becca C., Prosper High School, Prosper

Abigale R., Lubbock ATC, Lubbock

LESSON PLANNING & DELIVERY – ARTS

3rd Place Charlece L., Marcus HS, Flower Mound

Kriselly G., South Texas BETA Silver, Edinburgh

Brianna G., South Hills High School, Fort Worth

Celeste P., Brazosport High School, Clute

LESSON PLANNING & DELIVERY – CTE

2nd Place Jakelyn T., South Texas BETA Silver, Edinburgh

Marivel M., Socorro High School, El Paso

Brittany S., Lockhart High School, Lockhart

Taylor S., Cypress Ranch High School, Cypress

LESSON PLANNING & DELIVERY – HUMANITIES

3rd Place Shamira P., KISD Career Center, Killeen

Karissa L., Needville High School, Needville

April R., South Hills High School, Fort Worth

LESSON PLANNING & DELIVERY – STEM

1st Place Katie B., Allen High School, Allen

Alexis B., Richard King High School, Corpus Christi

Kaity R., Timber Creek High School, Keller

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Kylie G., Idalou High School, Idalou

Geneva N., Abernathy High School, Abernathy

Erin Schuster, Wylie East High School, Wylie

RESEARCHING LEARNING CHALLENGES

BCTAL – Richland, North Richland Hills

Lovejoy High School, Lovejoy



Mark Your Calendars!

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| November 1, 2018 | DEADLINE TO PAY CHAPTER AFFILIATION FEES TO COMPETE AT REGION Chapters must pay \$80.00 state affiliation fee prior to competing at Region |
| December 3, 2018 | POSTMARK DEADLINE TO MAIL APPLICATION FOR STATE OFFICE |
| January 16, 2019 | DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING ONLINE FOR TAFE TEACH TOMORROW SUMMIT |
| January 16, 2019 | POSTMARK DEADLINE TO SEND IN LESSON PLANS AND POSITION PAPERS AND EMAIL VIDEO LINKS FOR COMPETITIVE EVENTS |
| January 18, 2019 | APPLICATIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS DUE Emailed or postmarked by January 18th. |
| January 28, 2019 | TEACH TOMORROW SUMMIT EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION FEES DUE Early bird rate is \$65.00 per person paid by credit card or postmarked by January 28th. After January 28th, registration fee go to \$85.00 per person. |
| Early February 2019 (TBD) | CAPITOL LEADERSHIP - Austin, TX |
| Feb. 28 – Mar. 2, 2019 | TAFE TEACH TOMORROW SUMMIT Delta Hotel and Watters Creek Convention Center, Allen, TX |
| May 2-4, 2019 (Tentative) | STATE & REGION OFFICER TRAINING WORKSHOP Highland Lakes Camp & Conference Center |
| May 31, 2019 | 2019-2020 CHAPTER AFFILIATION OPENS |
| June 2019 (TBD) | SUMMER LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP - Texas A&M University |
| June 22-25, 2019 | EDUCATORS RISING NATIONAL CONFERENCE Hyatt Regency, Dallas, TX |



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