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# TAFE Newsletter

## Texas Association of Future Educators

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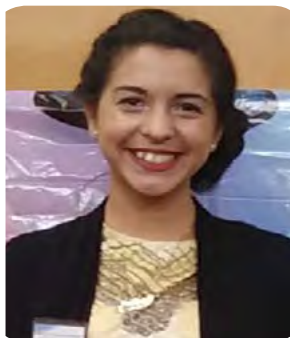
### FROM OUR PRESIDENT

#### KAITLYN DAVIS - PRESIDENT

I hope everyone has been enjoying their summer so far! We had a blast at the Officer Training Workshop in May. Friendships were made, and skills were improved upon. We are grateful for everyone who attended and hope to continue to see y'all and many more at upcoming events.

We arrive at Texas A&M for the Summer Leadership Workshop on June 10th. I am excited to see and meet many of the people that attend. I hope you all will come and join us at camp. I even encourage teacher leaders to come join in on the fun. Teacher leaders, I hope that we will see you at the Teacher Leader Workshop at the end of July.

The other officers and I have amazing plans for the 2019 state conference. I can't wait to see you all there. I hope you compete to your best at your region conferences. The region officers worked hard in planning your conferences, so I hope you have fun.



### COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

#### MELISSA ARREOLA - VICE PRESIDENT

College can be expensive, especially if you do not receive grants and scholarships.

Luckily, there are some alternatives to paying for a four-year college. Have you ever considered going to a Community College? Most four-year colleges accept transfer credits from Community Colleges. It is a less expensive way to get your basic courses for those wanting to major in education.

Community Colleges have great connections with four-year universities and sometimes you can even complete your bachelor's degree through the community college by adding online course work with a partner university. Below is a link to a website with many Texas Community Colleges:

[Best Community Colleges in Texas](#)

This website link above can help you locate a **Community College** close to your home. The website includes cost, ratings, and contact information. I hope the information helps you to find the right fit for you (and your pocketbook). Enjoy!!!



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## KUDOS

### DYLAN ATKINS - SECRETARY

On behalf of TAFE, I want to thank Highland Lakes Camp and Rusty for hosting our Officer Training Workshop. I would also like to thank all the teacher leaders for making the drive to bring their students. Also, a big thanks to Bryan Fiese from Motivated Proformance for his work toward planning the state conference for next year and providing us with an amazing leadership session. Thanks to Savannah Rogers for helping us with our stage presence and public speaking skills. Also, thanks to Bryan's son for the wonderful magic show he put on. I hope everyone got as much out of it as I did!

In addition to that, I would like to thank Texas A&M University College of Education and Human Development for hosting the Summer Leadership Workshop. Our appreciation goes out to Casey Ricketts for his work in planning and organizing our workshop sessions and activities.

## 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](mailto:Atkins.Dylan@lisdeagles.org).



**Leadership** - San Marcos students participated in a Student Leadership workshop and learned leadership skills while also connecting with other student organizations.



**Appreciation** - Brownwood friend of TAFE award to Mrs Soto, Soph English teacher



**Leadership** - Brownwood chapter members competed for outstanding chapter member by participating in TAFE projects and documenting their hard work.

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## PICTURE THIS

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### GRACE CARNES - HISTORIAN

I do the virtual TAFE scrapbook. Please send in pictures of your different TAFE events so that your chapter can be represented in the Newsletters. Thank you and we hope to see your pictures. Please send your pictures to: [19carnesc@stu.chapelhillisd.org](mailto:19carnesc@stu.chapelhillisd.org)

Take a look at some of the pictures from the **State and Region Officer Training Workshop**.



Region & State Officers at the campfire enjoying singing, dancing, s'mores and just getting to spend some time with each other.



Some fun in the sun after leadership training.



One of the team building games that helped bring the officers together as a whole group and as a TAFE family.



State Officers on the last day of the Region Officer camp. They are ready to have a spellbinding TAFE year.



Bonus this year: Hootie (Bryan Fiese' son) showed up to do a magic show before going into a leadership workshop. The workshop helped the students develop presentation skills and learn the steps to becoming a strong leader.



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## FROM THE DIRECTOR

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### **EXCITING NEWS:** We ended the school year with the highest membership ever. We have 275 chapters. WOO HOO!!! GO TAFE!!!

In looking back at the newsletter from this time last year, I wrote the following: “When the regions get large, they become harder to manage the numbers. When they are split, the numbers are lower, and the region benefits by advancing more students to the state conference. This year during the region meetings at the state conference, two very large regions were split. Region 4 split into 4 North and 4 South. Region 11 split into 11A and 11B. We did not split them to break them up. We split them to make them more manageable and to provide more opportunities for students. I look forward to more TAFE growth and more opportunities for students to develop their leadership and teaching skills.” When I read this, I had to laugh. The regions we split did not really experience a decrease in size. Both region 11 and 4 are very connected to TAFE and attend the Officer Training Workshop. What I thought would take at least a couple of years to build back up, did not even take a year. They worked hard to get more chapters and are back up to where they were before dividing. WAY TO GO REGIONS 4 & 11.



This year, Region 10 has decided to split providing more opportunities for more students. I am excited to see what happens in Region 10. GO GET ‘EM!

Officer Leadership Training Workshop was a huge success! Bryan Fiese from Motivated Proformance conducted the first part of Leadership Training. He brought his son who performs magic tricks under the name of Hootie. Hootie wowed us with all his magic. Then Savannah Rogers worked on developing “The Leader in You”. Her presentation and activities included the following topics:

- Listening Skills,
- Power Presenting,
- Dealing with Conflict,
- Personality Types,
- Leadership Adversity,
- Getting your Dream Job, and
- Take Aim on Your Goal

The officers and their teacher leaders were given time to get started on their Regional Conference Planning and develop their team for the upcoming year. Many of the regions have a great start on their conferences for next year. Way to go Region Officers!

**I would like to thank everyone for a successful and awesome year! We have a few events coming up.**

**The 2018-2019 membership form opened June 1, 2018.** If you would like to go ahead and join TAFE or renew your membership, you can. The state affiliation fee is not changing for next year. It will remain at \$80.00. Don’t forget to pay your affiliation fees. All 2017-2018 memberships expire on August 31, 2018.

**Educators Rising National Conference is June 21-24, 2018,** in Orlando, Florida. We are looking forward to attending the conference. Good luck to all our TAFE national qualifiers!

**Teacher Leaders’ Workshop** will be held in conjunction with the FCSTAT Conference. It will be on the two pre-conference days, July 30-31, 2018. If you are planning on attending the FCSTAT Conference, the cost of the Advisors’ Workshop is included. If you are only attending the Advisors’ Workshop, the cost is \$125.00. Come learn about what is new in TAFE and Educators Rising for the 2018-2019 school year

**FCSTAT** (Family and Consumer Science Teachers Association of Texas) will have their Annual State Conference on July 30 – August 3, 2018. TAFE will provide sessions throughout the conference to support the Education & Training and the Child Guidance courses. Register on the FCSTAT website.



# Mark Your Calendars!

<b>June 1, 2018</b>	<b>2018-2019 CHAPTER AFFILIATION OPENS</b> Membership year runs from Sept. 1, 2018 – August 31, 2019 State affiliation fees are \$80.00 per chapter
<b>June 21-24, 2018</b>	<b>2018 EDUCATORS RISING NATIONAL CONFERENCE</b> Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista – Disney Springs area
<b>July 30 – 31, 2018</b>	<b>2018 TAFE TEACHER LEADER WORKSHOP</b> Sheraton Downtown Dallas
<b>July 30 - August 3, 2018</b>	<b>FCSTAT CONFERENCE</b> Sheraton Downtown Dallas
<b>November 1, 2018</b>	<b>DEADLINE TO PAY CHAPTER AFFILIATION FEES TO COMPETE AT REGION</b> Chapters must pay \$80.00 state affiliation fee prior to competing at Region
<b>December 3, 2018</b>	<b>POSTMARK DEADLINE TO MAIL APPLICATION TO RUN FOR STATE OFFICE</b>
<b>January 16, 2019</b>	<b>DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING ONLINE FOR TAFE TEACH TOMORROW SUMMIT</b>
<b>January 16, 2019</b>	<b>POSTMARK DEADLINE TO SEND IN LESSON PLANS AND POSITION PAPERS AND EMAIL VIDEO LINKS FOR COMPETITIVE EVENTS</b>
<b>January 18, 2019</b>	<b>APPLICATIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS DUE</b> Emailed or postmarked by January 18th.
<b>Early Feb. 2019 (TBD)</b>	<b>CAPITOL LEADERSHIP - Austin, TX</b>
<b>Feb. 28 – March 2, 2019</b>	<b>TAFE TEACH TOMORROW SUMMIT</b> Delta Hotel and Watters Creek Convention Center, Allen, TX
<b>May 2-4, 2019 (Tentative)</b>	<b>STATE &amp; REGION OFFICER TRAINING WORKSHOP</b> Highland Lakes Camp & Conference Center
<b>May 31, 2019</b>	<b>2019-2020 CHAPTER AFFILIATION OPENS</b>
<b>June 2019 (TBD)</b>	<b>SUMMER LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP - Texas A&amp;M University</b>



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