

TAFE State Officers and Region President Training

Highland Lakes Camp on Lake Travis

May 4-6, 2018

This exclusive retreat for TAFE leaders is designed to give our student officers an opportunity to develop leadership skills, participate in team building activities, and work together collaboratively to plan their regional conferences.

Who can attend? This training retreat is open to all TAFE chapters that have been elected to a state or regional office for 2018-2019 (President, Vice President, Secretary, Historian, etc.). Schools may bring up to 2 teacher leaders and 4 students.

Registration Fee: \$170 per person. (State Officers are free.) Early bird discount of \$10.00 will be applied if registered and payment is postmarked by April 13th.

This fee covers all activities and materials and the following meals and lodging:

Meals:

Friday-Dinner

Saturday-Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Sunday- Breakfast

Dorm Lodging:

Friday night

Saturday night

State officers and their Teacher Leaders will arrive on **Thursday, May 3rd**. We will meet at 1:00 p.m. If you are planning on bringing additional students with you on Thursday, you will need to pay an additional \$70.00 each for the extra night and the 3 meals (Thursday dinner, Friday breakfast and lunch) for those students.

Assignments:

1. Write a 1 minute introduction. Introducing yourself to the group.
2. Write a 1 minute Elevator Speech explaining what TAFE is to someone who does not know.

Elevator speech refers to the term that is used to quickly and easily define a person, product, profession, service, organization or event. Elevator speeches are very quick and are meant to get your message across to a person in the time it takes to ride an elevator. The speech will usually not be more than one or two minutes long. The main reason for using this type of speech is to spark the person's interest and provide valuable information.

Reference: en.wikipedia.org

THINGS TO DO PRIOR TO COMING

1. Register on the TAFE website and send the appropriate fees to the TAFE Office:
TAFE, 1833 South IH-35, Austin, TX 78741
2. **Medical Release Form for teacher leaders and students (front and back) must be completed and mailed or faxed to the T.A.F.E. State Office ASAP.**
(Fax: 512-442-3343) This could also be scanned and emailed to donita@tassp.org.

THINGS TO BRING

1. Twin sheets, blanket and pillow or a sleeping bag and pillow (I take an extra blanket to cover the mattress. The mattresses are vinyl and noisy when you move around. They are also hard.)
2. Toiletries (i.e. toothbrush, soap, shampoo, hair dryer, etc.)
3. Towel and wash cloth.
4. Comfortable shoes (some terrain is rugged) – enclosed tennis shoes are the best.
5. Swimsuit
6. Changes of clothes
7. Pajamas
8. Sweater, windbreaker or something warm (The air off the lake can get cool in the morning and at night.)
9. Sun screen, Bug spray
10. Water container
11. Flashlight (to see when walking at night)
12. Umbrella
13. Ear Plugs for sleeping (It is like an awful choir at night. It can be funny to listen to, but if you want to sleep, it can be torture.)
14. Bring a calendar of your events for the Fall and a note pad. (If your school district has their calendar out for next year, bring it.)