



## INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY

*A Catholic College Preparatory for Young Women, Est. in 1873*

To the Director and Members of the Texas Association of Student Councils,

The Student Council of Incarnate Word Academy writes to declare their formal intent to run for the office of President of the Texas Association of Student Councils. Incarnate Word Academy consistently leads in parallel with the pillars of TASC: citizenship, scholarship, leadership, human relations, and cultural values. The platform we have chosen to run on is *Love Is Respect*, which focuses on educating and advocating for healthy relationships, and goes beyond romantic relationships to include a wide range of interpersonal relationships. We believe this program is essential for Texas schools because relationships have a profound impact on student mental health, and this is a subject matter that is not openly addressed by most social-emotional learning curricula implemented in schools.

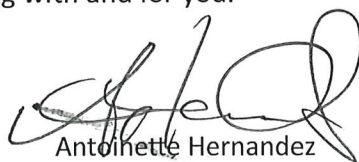
Our Incarnate Word student council advisor, Antoinette Hernandez, and student representative, Bella Garza, are passionate and ready to share the project with our entire Texas student council community. Antoinette Hernandez brings experience serving members of TASC as the D7 coordinator, D713 co-coordinator, and on the TASC Board of Directors as an officer advisor and an elected advisor to the board. She also serves as a consultant for the TASC Summer Leadership Workshop Program. Bella Garza has served on our executive board for the last three years, has contributed to our recognition at the state and national level, and has spearheaded Love is Respect on our campus.

Creating healthy relationships is an issue that affects every high school student, either directly or indirectly. According to the American Psychology Association in 2023, 1 in every 12 teens has experienced an abusive relationship. Our campaign targets this issue that affects so much of our student body. *Love Is Respect* is a campaign that encourages creating healthy relationships with anyone in our lives, from our friends and family, to our teachers, peers, and significant others. Incarnate Word Academy Student Council has utilized Love is Respect and Work2BeWell resources to create lectures, lessons, school-wide activities, and outside speaker opportunities. Our school has shared lessons through our advisory on creating and respecting boundaries, consent, identifying areas of concern in relationships, and having difficult conversations. Our entire student body has made a commitment to healthy relationships and speaking up when they see something wrong. Incarnate Word Academy aims to educate the entire state of Texas by bringing awareness on how to identify, contribute, and educate others on healthy relationships, so our TASC community and next generation of leaders can lead with respect, and most importantly, love with respect.

We appreciate your consideration of Incarnate Word Academy for your 2024-2025 TASC President School and look forward to working with and for you.

Sincerely,

  
Bella Garza  
Student Representative

  
Antoinette Hernandez  
Advisor

  
Cathy Stephen  
Principal



## Intent to Run for TASC State Office 2024-2025

<b>School</b>	Incarnate Word Academy
<b>Position Sought</b>	President
<b>Advisor's Name</b> (person who will serve on the Board if elected to office)	Antoinette (Nan) Hernandez
<b>School Address</b>	609 Crawford Street
<b>School City, State, Zip</b>	Houston, TX 77002
<b>Advisor's School Email</b>	ahernandez@incarnateword.org
<b>Advisor's School Phone</b> <small>(Ensure that cell phone is listed on advisor profile on <a href="#">website</a>.)</small>	7132273637
<b>Principal's Name</b>	Cathy Stephen
<b>Student Representative</b> (Student who will serve on Board if school is elected to office)	Bella Garza
<b>Platform:</b> What is your issue, and <u>what are you proposing that TASC as an association or TASC member schools do to address this?</u> <small>(Please see TASC guidelines if there is a cost to this platform.)</small>	LOVE IS RESPECT: This platform is designed to educate and advocate for healthy relationships. This goes beyond romantic relationships to include a wide-range of interpersonal relationships, identifying ways to recognize unhealthy dynamics, establish safe boundaries, and practice self-care.

**Qualifications of school, advisor, and student representative:** Please attach the school resume (see form) to this intent to run. (Do not include personal contact information such as cell phone, home address, etc.)

## Candidate School's Resume

**School Name:** Incarnate Word Academy

**Candidate for which office:** President

School's Qualifications	2023	2022	2021
1. Did your school earn Sweepstakes ?	X	X	
2. Did your school earn Outstanding Student Council?	X	X	
3. Did your school Pride and Patriotism recognition?	X	X	
4. Did your school earn Energy and Environment recognition?	X	X	
5. Did your school earn Community Service recognition?	X	X	
6. Did your school earn Top 10 Projects recognition?			
7. Did your school earn Top 10 Video recognition?			
Did your school attend Lakeview/Mo Ranch TASC Advanced Leadership Workshop?		X	
Did your school attend the TASC HS Annual Conference?	X	X	
Did your school attend a TASC Summer Leadership Workshop?	X	X	X
Has your school held a TASC district office?			
Has your school hosted a TASC district conference?			
	Year	Year	Year
Has your school ever served as a TASC state officer school? Please list the 3 most recent years served.			
Has your school ever served as the TASC HS Annual Conference coordinator school?			
Advisor's Qualifications	2023	2022	2021
Did advisor attend the TASC Advisors' Workshop?	X	X	X
Did advisor present at the TASC Advisors' Workshop?	X	X	X
Did advisor attend Lakeview/Mo Ranch TASC Advanced Leadership Workshop?		X	X
Did advisor attend the TASC HS Annual Conference?	X	X	X
Did advisor addend a TASC Summer Leadership Workshop?	X	X	X
Did advisor serve on staff at a TASC Summer Leadership Workshop?	X	X	X
Has the school held a TASC district office under this advisor?			
Has the school hosted a TASC district conference under this advisor?			
Student Representative's Qualifications	2023	2022	2021
Did the student attend Lakeview/Mo Ranch TASC Advanced Workshop?	X		
Did the student attend the TASC HS Annual Conference?	X		
Was the student a Table Talk Presenter at the TASC HS Annual Conference?			
Did the student attend a TASC Summer Leadership Workshop?	X		
Did the student serve as a JC at a TASC Summer Leadership Workshop?			
Has the student held a TASC district office?			
Has the student held an officer position in student council?	X	X	

Additional Comments: List (This can be any additional information you wish to share regarding qualifications, experience, etc.

School:

D713 State Report Verification Host (2023, 2024)

NatStuCo National Gold Council of Excellence (2023)

Advisor:

Moved to Incarnate Word Academy 2021-2022 School Year

D7 Coordinator (2017-2021)

D713 Co-Coordinator (2022-Present)

TASC Officer Advisor (VP: 2010-2011, President: 2012-2013, Past-President: 2013-2014)

TASC Elected Advisor to the Board (2015-2018, 2019-2022)

TASC Summer Leadership Workshop (2009-Present)

Student Representative

Executive Board (2021-Present)

Class President (2021-Present)

D713 Fall Convention Table Talk Presenter (2023)

TASC Advanced Leadership Workshop Mo Ranch JC (2024)

**Advisor, principal and student must initial each item below.**

Advisor AM  
Principal CB  
Student VM

We understand, if elected, both advisor and student representative are expected to attend the TASC State Steering Committee Meeting.

Advisor AM  
Principal CB  
Student VM

We understand, if elected, both advisor and student representative are expected to attend the TASC Summer Board Meeting.

Advisor AM  
Principal CB  
Student VM

We understand, if elected, both advisor and student representative are expected to attend the TASC Fall Board Meeting.

Advisor AM  
Principal CB  
Student VM

We understand, if elected, both advisor and student representative are expected to attend the TASC Annual Conference.

Advisor AM  
Principal CB  
Student VM

We understand, if elected, both advisor and student representative will be responsible for some expenses related to optional travel (i.e. travel to Out of State Conference).

Advisor AM  
Principal CB  
Student VM

We understand, if elected, both advisor and student representative will be encouraged to attend a selected Out of State Conference. (TASC will pay registration, pre-trip activities and hotel for student representative.)

Advisor AM  
Principal CB  
Student VM

We understand, if elected, our school are responsible for presenting information at the Advisors Workshop, the Middle Level Annual Conference, and the HS Annual Conference.

Advisor AM  
Principal CB  
Student VM

We understand all TASC officer schools (to include the advisor and student representative) are expected to support and attend all TASC activities including Summer Leadership Workshop, and Advanced Workshops as well as District events.

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Principal CB  
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We have read and understand the specific responsibilities of the office in which we are running.

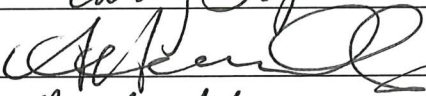
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If elected, we agree to serve the full term of our office.

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\*Please note that the school runs for the office. One student representative and one advisor are named by the school per office to sit on the Board. The named advisor of record must organize the campaign, represent the school at the HS Annual Conference, and remain active throughout the term of office. At the written request of the school, those representatives may be changed at any time. The TASC Board of Directors may remove a student or an advisor for a violation of TASC policy. A school may be removed from office by the TASC Board of Directors for failure to fulfill duties of office.

Principal's Signature 

Advisor's Signature 

Student's Signature 

\*If student representative has not been selected by the time of initial filing, please resubmit form with student's initials and signature by date of final Officer Candidate Filing. If the student representative changes, resubmit the form as soon as possible.

Date Submitted January 31, 2024

\*This form is not complete without a letter of intent to run for office and the school resume.

\*Please submit this form with your letter of intent to run for office and your school resume. **Scan and submit all written materials as one document. Do not submit Google docs.**