



TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT COUNCILS

HIGH SCHOOL VIRTUAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE | MAY 1, 2020

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SPECIAL THANKS

EASTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCE COORDINATOR TEAM

Eastlake High School Conference Team from left to right:
**Aleyna Renteria, Victoria Ramirez, Ethan Marquez, Gibby Widner,
Brian Lara, Kya Lopez. Not pictured: Anaelena Ramirez**

The Eastlake High School Student Council worked diligently the past two years with the TASC state officers and the TASC Board of Directors to continue the outstanding tradition of the TASC High School Annual Conference. Led by an excellent team chaired by Advisor, Kelley Akins, and student, Gibby Widner, Eastlake High School is thrilled to host the 84th TASC High School Annual Conference. A special thanks to all who supported us in this effort. This conference is truly the result of strong student voice, and EHS wishes all attendees an extraordinary experience as we all LEVEL UP!



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April 25, 2020

Dear Texas Student Council Members and Advisors,

It is an honor to welcome you to the 84th Annual Texas Association of Student Councils Conference! You are about to embark on an incredible experience that will make a lasting impact on your future as a leader in school and life.

As the proud superintendent of the Socorro Independent School District, I am excited for our student council members from Eastlake High School who are serving as this year's host school for the conference. They are an amazing group of students who are seizing opportunities to succeed now and in their future! They have the knowledge, talent, and enthusiasm to ensure this highly regarded event provides the training and engagement to help you as student council members.

Our Eastlake High School Falcons are outstanding leaders and representatives for Team SISD! I am extremely proud of their professionalism and work ethic to take on this important role as hosts of the 2020 conference.

I know that across Texas we have thousands of student council members like them with the energy and passion to represent the best of their schools and districts. Therefore, the TASC High School annual conference is the largest and the finest student council gathering in the U.S.! I encourage you to take advantage of your time at the conference, network with your peers from near and far, and learn as much as you can to continue your outstanding work for your student council.

As a council member, you are a voice for your student body, a leader in your school, and a powerful representative for your generation. Your participation in this year's conference will benefit you as you set goals and make plans to help your classmates, improve your schools and create collaborative communities. I wish you a productive and fun conference!

Respectfully,

Jose Espinoza, Ed.D.
Superintendent

EASTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL



Dr. Jose Espinoza
Superintendent
Socorro ISD



Gilbert Martinez
Principal
Eastlake High School



Kelley Akins
Director
Student Activities



Gibby Widner
Annual Conference
Committee Chairperson

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The Texas Association of Student Councils is a non-profit organization serving middle and high school level student councils in Texas. TASC builds leaders who positively impact our schools, our communities, our state, and our nation through leadership development in secondary schools in Texas. We believe in a powerful student voice, the journey of leadership, and in building

a strong web of support for students and advisors. We know that leadership skills can be learned and enhanced, and we work daily to do just that. Organized in 1937, TASC serves almost 1400 member schools by providing opportunities for advisors and student leaders to interact and learn through outstanding programs such as this Annual Conference.

LEVEL UP YOUR LEADERSHIP

Texas Student Councils work to serve others, to develop leadership, and to make our schools a place where students and staff want to be. This year's TASC Board of Directors asked TASC members to not only Level Up their Leadership but also to do all they could to ensure that students across our great state understand We Only Have One Life and #itsnotagame as together we fight the epidemic of substance abuse.

TASC APPRECIATES ALL THOSE WHO HELPED US LEVEL UP THIS YEAR.

- Each of the local student council advisors who gave generously of their time and energy to make local, district, and state activities successful;
- The many councils who contributed to the Annual Conference by serving on committees, volunteering at the conference, and presenting table talks;
- The councils and individuals who worked to ensure a strong future for TASC by running for office and for the State Board of Directors;
- The adult presenters for sharing their expertise;
- The schools presenting Table Talks;
- Each company that exhibited or advertised with us;
- Election Runner for its support of our election;
- The Irving Convention and Visitors Bureau for its support and consideration;
- Six Flags Over Texas for its support and consideration;
- The US Army for its support;
- WalMart for its generous support;
- HEB for its generous support;
- Herff Jones Varsity Brands for support and providing rings for our ML and HS Advisors of the Year;
- Run, Jump, Fly for its guidance and assistance with conference production and development of the theme;
- The students and advisors of the state officer schools as well as the elected members on the TASC Board of Directors for their sincere interest in TASC and help not only at this conference but also throughout the year;
- Socorro ISD for its support of the Eastlake High School Student Council;
- Eastlake High School students, advisors, staff, parents, and community members for their vision, creativity, dedication, and tireless efforts in making this conference outstanding.

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CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Committee Chair: Hardin-Jefferson High School, State Vice-President
Bel Air High School
Bridge City High School
Franklin High School
Klein Oak High School
Lewisville High School

TOP VIDEOS COMMITTEE

Committee Chair: Carroll Senior High School, State Secretary
Edna High School
Northwest High School
Rouse High School
Sulphur Springs High School
Timber Creek High School

MEET THE CANDIDATES COMMITTEE

Committee Chair: Eastwood High School, State Parliamentarian
Brennan High School
East View High School
Kingwood Park High School
Socorro High School
Sulphur Springs High School

TOP PROJECTS COMMITTEE

Committee Chair: Eastwood High School, State Parliamentarian
Coronado High School
John Paul Stevens High School
Lewisville High School
PSJA Memorial Early College Start HS
Van Horn High School

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Committee Chair: Chad Cooke, Azle High School, Past President Advisor
Franklin High School
John Horn High School
Sealy High School
Yoakum High School

BALLOTING COMMITTEE

Committee Chair: Carroll Senior High School, State Secretary

TASC OUTSTANDING SCHOOL AWARDS

Official TASC Awards (plaques, date plates, certificates, and rosettes) will be mailed later this year. A list of award-winning schools is available on the TASC Mobile App and on the TASC website.

TASC Top Ten Project and Video Winners as well as Scholarship Winners will be announced during the conference.



VOTE!

STATE OFFICER ELECTIONS

One of the purposes of the TASC High School Annual Conference is to elect state officers and a high school elected advisor to the board. Schools elected to serve as TASC state officers are represented on the TASC Board of Directors by one student representative and one school advisor and serve for one year. The Elected Advisor to the Board serves a three-year term. The Board of Directors is the policy-making body for the association. Campaign materials were provided prior to the conference, and a campaign rally will be held during the conference. Each registered high school is allowed five student votes for State Officers and one advisor vote for the Elected Advisor to the Board. The five votes for state officers may be split, and councils should caucus prior to the conference to determine how they will vote. Members should consider how well the school communicates its platform, the strength of its platform, the speeches, the qualifications of the student representative and the advisor when voting. Voting will take place during the conference. Balloting will be by smart phone, and individual balloting ID codes were given to advisors to distribute. Balloting for a run-off election will be held during the conference if needed.

6 • VIRTUAL GENERAL SESSION

Opening Production Eastlake High School
 District Recognition TASC District Presidents
 Pledge of Allegiance Victoria Ramirez, Eastlake High School
 Texas Pledge Brian Lara, Eastlake High School
 Moment of Silence Ethan Marquez, Eastlake High School
 Welcome Kya Lopez, Eastlake High School
 Greetings from Socorro ISD Superintendent Dr. Jose Espinoza



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: MIKE RAYBURN

This is a career that chose *him*. For years Mike Rayburn has been a nationally successful guitarist and comedian with degrees in Classical Guitar Performance and Music Business, and was voted America’s Campus Entertainer of the Year three times in four years. What most people didn’t know is that Mike has always been a personal development and success nerd, studying creativity and innovation, change and its effects on people, goals and performance. Rayburn teaches not just what he knows but what he’s done, what he lives.

Award Presentations Top Video | Top Project
 Introduction to Election Procedures..... Libby Lester, TASC State Secretary, Carroll Senior High School;
 and Maggi Gallaspy, TASC State Vice-President, Hardin-Jefferson High School

POLITICAL RALLY

Political Rally State Officers and Candidate Schools

2020 – 2021 OFFICER SCHOOL CANDIDATES

(Schools are listed in performance order)



PARLIAMENTARIAN

George Ranch High School
 Hanks High School

SECRETARY

Red Oak High School

VICE-PRESIDENT

Barbers Hill High School
 Kempner High School

PRESIDENT

Lancaster High School
 Waller High School
 Montgomery High School



CANDIDATES FOR ELECTED ADVISOR TO THE BOARD:

Lianna Gantz, Keller Central High School
 Leslie Pacher, Sealy High School

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER: JOHN BEEDE

Struck by lightning. Attacked by a 5-foot iguana. Swam with whale sharks, crocodiles, great white sharks, and a pod of 300 dolphin. Leapt off a 500 foot bridge in Ecuador. Was stuck on a slab of ice sliding towards the edge of a 1500+ foot cliff while climbing in France. Has climbed the tallest mountains on every continent except Antarctica. Rode a bamboo raft between the legs of an elephant in Thailand.

Avalanches. Volcanoes. Tornadoes. Floods. Forest fires. John has survived them all. Heck, he even did the hokey-pokey in the eye of a hurricane. But of course, there's also the adventure of climbing the world's tallest mountain...Mount Everest. John knows how to LEVEL UP!

RECOGNITION OF SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Recognition of the Eddie G. Bull Advisor of the Year Nominees	Archie E. McAfee, TASSP/TASC Executive Director
President's Address	Jenna Williamson, TASC President, Texas High School
Invitation from 2021 Conference Coordinator School.....	Amber Trammel, Legacy High School
Recognition of 2019 – 2020 Officer Schools.....	Terry Hamm
Recognition of 2019 – 2020 TASC Board of Directors.....	Terry Hamm
Announcement of newly elected Advisor to the Board	Terry Hamm
Announcement of 2020 – 2021 Officer Schools	2019 – 2020 State Officers
Oath of Office	2019 – 2021 State Officers
Adjournment	2020 – 2021 State President



BRAIN BREAKS: DANNY VUONG-BATIMANA

Youth Speaker and Happiness Creator.

Danny was a choreographer for the Los Angeles Laker Girls, created Team Millennia, a collegiate hip-hop dance team, graduated from Cal State University, managed the Poreotics Dance Crew and created a movement called Happiness is Now.

Get ready to level up your dance moves as you join Danny for his action filled sessions.



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PRESIDENT:

TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL

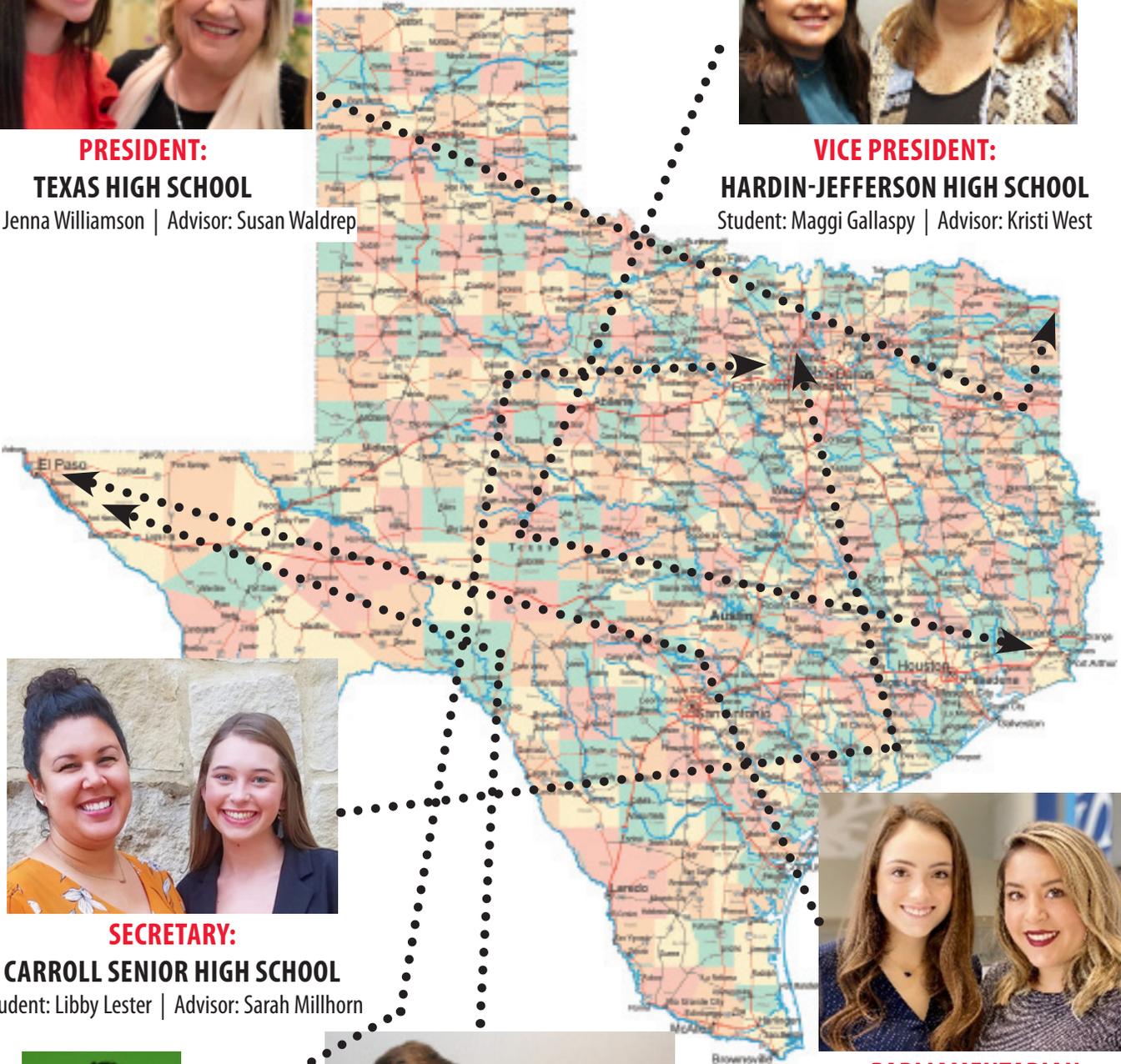
Student: Jenna Williamson | Advisor: Susan Waldrep



VICE PRESIDENT:

HARDIN-JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL

Student: Maggi Gallaspy | Advisor: Kristi West



SECRETARY:

CARROLL SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Student: Libby Lester | Advisor: Sarah Millhorn



PAST PRESIDENT ADVISOR

Chad Cooke: Azle High School



HS CONFERENCE COORDINATOR SCHOOL:

EASTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL

Student: Gibby Widner | Advisor: Kelley Akins



PARLIAMENTARIAN:

EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Student: Paloma Palmer | Advisor: Ashley Oropeza

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ELECTED ADVISORS TO THE BOARD



John Fabro

Lake Dallas Middle School



Jamie Burke Hicks

UT Tyler Innovation Acad.



Jennifer Locke

Barbers Hill High School



Antoinette Hernandez

Klein Cain High School



Brian Meyer

Cedar Creek High School

TASSP MEMBERS ON THE BOARD



Nika Davis

Boswell High School
Eagle Mountain-Saginaw ISD



Demetric Wells

El Campo High School
El Campo ISD



Dr. Herb Cox

Midway Middle School
Midway ISD

TASC STAFF

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Archie E. McAfee

TASSP/TASC Executive Director



Terry Hamm

TASC Director



Lori De Leon

TASC Program Assistant



Yancy Frey

TASSP/TASC Staff



Ofra Levinson

Exhibits Manager



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TASC EDDIE G. BULL ADVISOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Each year, the TASC Board of Directors selects from the pool of district winners, one high school advisor to be honored as the Advisor of the Year. In 2004, the award was revised and renamed the TASC Eddie G. Bull State Advisor of the Year. The award is named for Eddie Bull who served as TASSP/TASC Associate Executive Director from 1974-2005.

2020 HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ADVISOR OF THE YEAR NOMINEES



DISTRICT 1
DANIELLE ORTEGA
MIAMI HS



DISTRICT 2
JERA BUNTON
ATEMS HS



DISTRICT 3
PHILLIP JENKINS
FORNEY HS



DISTRICT 4
GALVINO MEDINA
HALLSVILLE HS



DISTRICT 5
KIM MOSS
LITTLEFIELD HS



DISTRICT 6
TAYLOR HAMILTON
TEAGUE HS



DISTRICT 7
LAURIE ZUEHLKE
MONTGOMERY HS



DISTRICT 8
DANIELLE SIMS
SEMINOLE HS



DISTRICT 9
RUTH BOHLIN
BURGES HS



DISTRICT 10
VELIA ZAMORA
KING HS



DISTRICT 11
SANDY LAND
LA VERNIA HS



DISTRICT 12
WENDY PRESSON
WICHITA FALLS HS



DISTRICT 13
BARBARA HOFFMAN
KEMPNER HS



DISTRICT 14
LESLIE PACHER
SEALY HIGH SCHOOL



DISTRICT 15
FELIPE LOPEZ
BRENNHA HS



DISTRICT 16
MARIXZA REYEZ
PSJA SW EARLY
COLLEGE HS



DISTRICT 17
JENNIFER LOCKE
BARBERS HILL HS



DISTRICT 18
DEREK VERA
SEGUIN HS



DISTRICT 19
JAIME BURKE HICKS
UT AT TYLER
UNIVERSITY ACADEMY

PAST TASC EDDIE G. BULL STATE ADVISORS OF THE YEAR

2019	Tammy McClure, Byron Nelson HS	2003	Amy McDonald, Clear Lake HS, Houston
2018	David Womack, Duncanville HS	2002	Terry Hamm, Bastrop HS
2017	Krysta Reed, Andrews HS	2001	Dodie Kasper, Plano Sr. HS
2016	Susan Waldrep, Texas HS	2001	Gil Gaona, North Shore Sr. High, Houston
2015	Benjamin Stroud, Hebron HS	2001	Jerry de la Garza, Rowe HS, McAllen
2014	Tommy Calais, St. Agnes Academy, Houston	2000	Pat Finch, Boswell HS, Ft. Worth
2013	Antoinette Hernandez, Klein Forest HS, Houston	1999	Tina Graves, Frenship HS, Wolfforth
2012	Stacey Smith, Little Cypress-Mauriceville HS, Orange	1998	Debby Tabor, Lubbock-Cooper HS
2011	Katie Keyes, Keller HS	1997	Mary Whittenberg, Northwest HS, Justin
2010	Kristi West, Hardin-Jefferson HS, Sour Lake	1996	Mae Holmes, Clemens HS, Schertz
2009	Julie Estes, New Braunfels HS	1995	Donna Gwynn, West Brook HS, Beaumont
2008	Lisa Thompson, Franklin HS, El Paso	1994	Brenda Gilmore, Arlington HS
2007	Laura Price, Montwood HS, El Paso	1993	Laura Dickerson-Price, Montwood HS, El Paso
2006	David Bowe, Hays HS, Buda	1992	Betty Kyle, Canyon HS, New Braunfels
2005	Mae Holmes, Samuel Clemens HS, Schertz	1991	Deborah Alford, Humble HS
2004	Debby Tabor, Lubbock-Cooper HS	1990	Pauline Jones, Graham HS
		1989	Kay Baker, L.D. Bell HS, Hurst

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THE PAT M. KIRSCHNER AWARD

The TASC Board of Directors created this award in 1987 to recognize outstanding contributions to the TASC Summer Leadership Workshop Program. In order to be nominated, the recipient must have served for 10 or more years as a Summer Workshop Director or Consultant and be retired from workshop service. The Board must vote to present the award. The first award was presented to Pat M. Kirschner, Advisor from Ball HS, Galveston, who served as a TASC Workshop Consultant and mentor to many who continued to develop the program after her retirement. The following advisors have received the Pat M. Kirschner award:

- 2019 Pat Finch, Boswell HS, Director
- 2018 Calvin Buchholtz, John Jay HS, Director
- 2015 Debby Tabor, Lubbock Cooper HS, Consultant
- 2015 Laura Price, Montwood HS, Consultant
- 2015 Tina Sarratt, Frenship HS, Consultant
- 2014 Brenda Gilmore, Arlington HS, Consultant
- 2014 Sharion Richardson, Big Spring HS, Director
- 2013 Kay Baker, L.D. Bell HS, Hurst, Director
- 2012 Sharon Solanik, Sandra Day O'Connor HS, Helotes, Consultant
- 2011 Jimmy Chapman, Henderson HS, Director
- 2010 Deborah Alford, Humble HS, Kingwood, Director
- 2009 Terry Hamm, Bastrop HS, Consultant
- 2007 Lu Pochelski, Samuel Clemens HS, Schertz, Consultant
- 2006 Betty Kyle, Canyon HS, New Braunfels, Consultant
- 2004 Darlene Bonner, Jacksboro HS, Director
- 2001 Jean Turner Wyatt, Lake Highlands JHS, Richardson, Consultant
- 1990 Billie Love, Caprock HS, Amarillo, Director
- 1988 Lennie Dauphine, West-Orange Stark HS, Director
- 1987 Pat Martin Kirschner, Ball HS, Galveston, Consultant

THE TEXAS STAR AWARD

This award is presented by board action to advisors, directors, or alums whose long-term impact on TASC was exceptional. Any TASC member may submit a nominee for the Texas Star Award.

- 2010 Pat Finch, Boswell HS, Ft. Worth
- 2009 Laura Price, Montwood HS, El Paso
- 2008 Calvin Buchholtz, John Jay HS, San Antonio
- 2008 Jimmy Chapman, Henderson HS
- 2005 Anne Newman, Marshall HS
- 2004 Rodney Love, Linden-Kildare HS
- 2002 Carolyn Barron, Edna HS
- 2001 Brenda Gilmore, Arlington HS
- 2000 Dwight Mutschler, Austwell-Tivoli HS



Big ole' StuCo THANK YOU

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JUDSON LAIPPLY



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85TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE: APRIL 18-20, 2021 IN IRVING, TEXAS COORDINATOR SCHOOL: MANSFIELD LEGACY HIGH SCHOOL

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| 2019 | Resolve to Rise • Killeen HS | 1983 | Join the Parade • John Marshall HS, San Antonio |
| 2018 | Deepen Your Heart, Texas • Texas HS | 1982 | Building a Better America • Travis HS, Austin |
| 2017 | Dare to Dream. Dare to Do. • Cedar Creek HS | 1981 | Climb Another Mountain • L.D. Bell HS, Hurst |
| 2016 | Explore Now...Lead Forever • Kempner HS | 1980 | Student Leaders: The Link to the Future • Crockett HS, Austin |
| 2015 | Come One! Come All! • Keller HS | 1979 | "Student Council Is..." • Roosevelt HS, San Antonio |
| 2014 | Image is Perception, Leadership is Reality • Eagle Pass HS | 1978 | Reach Out and Touch • Haltom HS, Fort Worth |
| 2013 | Celebrating Diversity: Uniting in Leadership • St. Agnes Academy, Houston | 1977 | Today Not Tomorrow — TNT • Lanier HS, Austin |
| 2012 | Light the Way • Texas HS, Texarkana | 1976 | Make a Difference • University HS, Waco |
| 2011 | Live the Legacy • Canyon HS, New Braunfels | 1975 | We Can • Lee HS, San Antonio |
| 2010 | The Time is NOW • Carroll Sr. HS, Southlake | 1974 | If Not Now, When? • Skyline HS, Dallas |
| 2009 | Lead the Change • Hardin-Jefferson HS | 1973 | What is Right with America • Reagan HS, Austin |
| 2008 | TASC: No Strings Attached • Brenham HS | 1972 | Beyond Consciousness Three • Lanier HS, Austin |
| 2007 | TASC: Are You Ready to Rock? • Boswell HS, Ft. Worth | 1971 | Introspection, Retrospection, Projection • S. F. Austin HS, Austin |
| 2006 | Leaders Take Flight • Eastwood HS, El Paso | 1970 | The Shape of Things to Come • Crockett HS, Austin |
| 2005 | TASC: Beyond the Mask • Allen HS | 1969 | Hear Us • Amarillo HS |
| 2004 | Step Up to the Plate • Azle HS | 1968 | Mandate for Change • Roosevelt HS, San Antonio |
| 2003 | TASC: We are Builders • Northwest HS, Justin | 1967 | Pathways to Peace • Nixon HS & Martin HS, Laredo |
| 2002 | The Thrill of Leadership • Duncanville HS | 1966 | Why Me? • L. D. Bell HS, Hurst |
| 2001 | Texas: A Leadership R.O.D.E.O. • North Shore Sr. HS, Houston | 1965 | Midland HS |
| 2000 | Leadership...The Choice of a New Generation • John B. Connally HS, Pflugerville | 1964 | Our Place in Space • San Jacinto HS, Houston |
| 1999 | Leadership...A Walk on the WILD Side • Lamar HS, Houston | 1963 | Will Democracy Fail? • Cooper HS, Abilene |
| 1998 | One Small Step for TASC—One Giant Leap for Leadership • McNeil HS, Round Rock | 1962 | Today's Affairs—Students' Concerns • Thomas Jefferson HS, San Antonio |
| 1997 | It's Our Time to Shine • Eastwood HS, El Paso | 1961 | Silver Anniversary: Honor the Past—Serve the Future • Permian HS, Odessa |
| 1996 | Old Traditions, New Beginnings • Jacksboro HS | 1960 | Palo Duro HS, Amarillo |
| 1995 | The Stars of Leadership Shine...Deep in the Heart of Texas West Brook Sr. HS, Beaumont | 1959 | Brownsville HS |
| 1994 | Lift the Torch of Leadership • Kingwood HS | 1958 | Abilene HS |
| 1993 | Paint Your Future from the Palette of Leadership • Burkburnett HS | 1957 | Ball HS, Galveston |
| 1992 | Voyage of Leadership...Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow • North Shore HS, Houston | 1956 | Midland HS |
| 1991 | POWER - People Organizing With Excellent Results • United HS, Laredo | 1955 | Denton HS |
| 1990 | Note the Difference • Eagle Pass HS | 1954 | Martin HS, Laredo |
| 1989 | Choose to Lead...We are Tomorrow • Alamo Heights HS, San Antonio | 1953 | Lubbock HS |
| 1988 | Texas Leadership...Justified • Lewisville HS | 1944 - 52 | Records not available |
| 1987 | Piecing Together a Better Tomorrow • Hays HS, Buda | 1943 | Highland Park HS, Dallas |
| 1986 | Golden Encounters...Past, Present and Future • Canyon HS, New Braunfels | 1942 | Teachers College HS, Denton |
| 1985 | Share Our Dreams • Pflugerville HS | 1941 | Thomas Jefferson HS, Port Arthur |
| 1984 | This Is It...Leaders for Today and Tomorrow • North Garland HS | 1940 | Tyler HS |
| | | 1939 | Harlandale HS, San Antonio |
| | | 1938 | Highland Park HS, Dallas |
| | | 1937 | Waco HS |
| | | 1936 | Organizational meeting • Highland Park HS, Dallas |



A HUGE THANK YOU FROM THE COORDINATOR SCHOOL

Eastlake High School

is grateful to all those who supported them as they planned this conference, then pivoted and planned a virtual conference. You helped not only to "Level UP!" You lifted us so together we could be "Greater than the Moment."

Thank You!

Dr. Jose Espinoza, Socorro ISD Superintendent of Schools

Thank You!

Carmen Crosse, Socorro ISD Assistant Superintendent of Schools

Tony Reza, Socorro ISD Chief Financial Officer

Thank You!

Susan Olson, Socorro ISD Budget Director

Juan Natividad, Socorro ISD Warehouse Supervisor

Thank You!

Socorro ISD Cabinet

Socorro ISD Board of Trustees

Run, Jump, Fly...

Thank You!

Terry Hamm

Eastlake High School Administration

Thank You!

District IX Student Councils

Thank You!

Thank You!

Boswell High School Student Council

Alejandra Monreal and the Eastlake Graphic Design Classes

Thank You!

Arnie Miranda and the Eastlake Audio Visual Team

Thank You!

Eastlake High School Student Council

Finally, our families and friends for their love, patience, and support...

TASC is grateful to the many presenters who gave unselfishly of their time to make this conference successful and to the sponsors who continued to support us, and to those who advertised in the conference. While the past months have been difficult, we have all been reminded of how much good there is in the world.

Donations to the 2019-2020 Scholarship Fund

Donations were made: In memory of Cynthia Bradley and in memory of Junior Rutherford

Donations were made by: Terry Hamm

14 • LIVE INTERACTIVE SESSIONS



LEVEL UP YOUR LEADERSHIP INTERACTIVE SESSIONS

Thank you for choosing to join our outstanding speakers for these interactive sessions. Some are completely live. Others include a video following by a live discussion.

SET 1 • LIVE SESSIONS • 4:00P - 4:45P CT FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2020

MIKE RAYBURN LIVE

HOUSTON KRAFT LIVE

ZACH GOWEN LIVE

See session descriptions under Breakouts. Delegates may sign in the 4:00 PM CT session beginning at 3:50 PM CT.

SET 2 • LIVE SESSIONS • 5:00P - 5:45P CT FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2020

SCOTT BACKOVICH LIVE

AMANDA ELKANICK LIVE

JUDSON LAIPPLY LIVE

See session descriptions under Breakouts. Delegates may sign in the 5:00 PM CT session beginning at 4:50 PM CT.

AND...This conference does not end today.

- Look for reminders about an exciting session for advisors with **Carlos Ojeda, Jr.** on May 7 at 7:00p CT. **Lights, Camera, Engagement.** Advisors, this is what you need now. Learn how you can create active engagement in a virtual setting.
- Look for reminders about an entirely unique opportunity for anyone to unleash your creativity and express your thoughts with **Joaquin Zihuatanejo** with **Metaphorically Speaking** coming May 14 at 7:00p CT.

KEEP THOSE ACCESS CODES. Our entire bank of Breakouts and Table Talks will be unlocked Monday and will be available to you for the next six months. We are just beginning to LEVEL UP!

WE ARE JUST BEGINNING TO LEVEL UP. KEEP THAT ACCESS CODE. THESE BREAKOUTS WILL BE RELEASED MONDAY, MAY 4, AT 8:00 AM CT.

SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS:



Transforming Pain into Passion

Kwame Ambaah • Kwame.ambaah@gmail.com

The world will tell you that in order to be a great leader, you need the perfect grades, perfect test scores, and the picture-perfect family. But, in all honesty, some of the world's greatest leaders didn't have any of that. This talk centers on using tough experiences in life as tools to propel you into your purpose. Kwame Ambaah is a former TASC state officer and currently a Sophomore at Sam Houston State University, majoring in International Business. Growing up Kwame faced many trials and tribulations, but he persevered through every obstacle and turned his past pain into a passion full of action. Today, Kwame lives to inspire everyone he encounters through living a life of servant leadership.



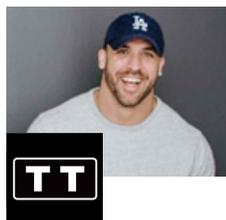
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Wondering how your school is going to bring back spirit in the fall? Want a list of activities that will create incredible engagement regardless of COVID-19? Let's get to work! During this LIVE session, ENVOLVE founder Scott Backovich will walk you step-by-step through the activity creation process. Best of all, collaborate in real-time with phenomenal leaders from around the state!

Youth motivational speaker and student engagement expert Scott Backovich has dedicated his life to doing one thing: helping schools create phenomenal campus culture. On any given day, he can be found making a positive impact on students around the continent, as well as training student leadership groups to do the same. He is the founder of ENVOLVE, a student engagement program designed to help schools facilitate outstanding student activities. For Scott, it's not just about generating an hour of impact—it's about developing an entire climate of action.

**SET 2
LIVE Session!**



An Inside Look at Mental Health During the COVID Crisis

Caleb Campbell, TEEN TRUTH • <https://teentruth.net/>

The COVID crisis has brought feelings of fear, sadness, and anger into our lives, but what if there is actually opportunity to be found in this grief? Join Caleb Campbell, former NFL player and now TEEN TRUTH speaker, as he tells his story of turning extreme loss into an opportunity that changed his life forever. Learn why mental health is so important and understand the power of being vulnerable with your family, your friends, and most importantly, yourself!



Stay in H.A.R.M.'s Way: Making Leadership a Verb

Chris Collins • www.coolspeak.net

Leadership ain't easy, but it's worth it! Student leaders face major hurdles when it comes to balancing the expectations that come along with their roles. Stay in H.A.R.M.'s Way is a leadership model that empowers students with practical and applicable tools to be a dope leader, excel as a student, and still have time for self-care. It's time to move away from leadership being about a title or position and level up to leadership that makes an impact on our campus, community, and future. Stay in H.A.R.M.'s Way and find out how to make #leadershipaVERB

Chris is a speaker, author, and consultant with a message that is inspiring students across the country. His unique blend of humor, knowledge, and energy provide high impact moments with results that last long after the presentation. Chris has delivered talks to all types of crowds, including two of the largest high school districts in the country, national conferences, Fortune 500 companies, and colleges and universities of every shape, size, and hue. Chris doesn't always give speeches but when he does, it's their favorite speech!

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Leveling Up Your Advocacy: Working to Help Others Beyond High School

Ricky Cooks • rickyacooks@gmail.com

What is advocacy? How can I best support those in my school or community? Join TASC alum Ricky Cooks for a lesson on organizing and planning advocacy efforts beyond high school!

Ricky Cooks is a junior at The University of Texas at Austin, studying government. He graduated from Texas High School in Texarkana, TX, and even served as the TASC Vice President Student Representative during the 2015-2016 school year. After TASC, Ricky's gone on to work on several political campaigns, organize service events at UT, intern at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C. and manage dozens of advocacy projects through his time in UT's Student Government.



Beyond the Name Tag

Charlie Goins • cgoins@goinsplasticsource.com

Beyond the name tag is a breakout session designed to teach students how to have a brief, but meaningful conversation with someone they meet at a social/networking event. The session will focus on tips and tricks of how to break the ice and stop using name tags as a conversation crutch.

Charlie Goins: Being just out of college I feel as if I can relate well to high school student leaders having been in their shoes only a few years ago. My goal is to share with them the things I wish I had learned at their age. In this session I draw on my experience as a local high school Stuco leader, the 2014 TASC State Vice President, President of the Arkansas Alpha Chapter of Phi Delta Theta, and my current role as the Sales Manager of a plastic manufacturing company.



Elevating Empathy

Brandon Farbstein • The Fisher Agency: info@tfaspeakers.com

Let's face it, there is a lot going on in the world right now. As leaders we are called upon to step up in times of uncertainty. In order to navigate the uncertainty of life, we need to dive deep within ourselves, discover our strengths & let go of limiting beliefs that are holding us back. Join motivational speaker and Gen Z activist Brandon Farbstein as he shares his inspiring story of transforming pain into power.

At just 19, Brandon Farbstein has already made a name for himself worldwide as a sought-after speaker and prominent Gen Z activist. Diagnosed with a rare form of dwarfism at the age of 2, Brandon stands at 3'9" – making his life's journey full of adversity, strength, and impact.



I Don't Wake Up Like This: How to Connect Mind and Body to be the Best

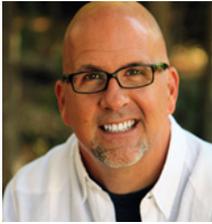
Zach Gowen • www.coolspeak.net

In uncertain times it's critical to be diligent with our self-care. Being intentional with our bodies and minds has huge benefits! In this webinar we'll utilize proven breathing techniques, stretches, and muscle engagement that will improve brain function, decrease stress, and increase overall feeling of well-being. Zach's story has been featured on Bleacher Report, USA Today, Men's Health Magazine and Good Morning America. His message of life being not about what happens to us, but about how we respond to what happens to us permeates every aspect of his life. Zach has wrestled with demons, climbed the highest peaks, and has overcome some of the biggest obstacles life can offer. Daring to defy the odds, expectations, and limitations society imposed on him, Zach became one of the most inspirational athletes in the world. He now travels the country sharing his message of hope and empowerment to people of all backgrounds.

SET 1
LIVE Session!

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SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS:



Normal is Overrated (E+R=0)

Kent Julian • www.KentJulian.com

Most people mistakenly believe $E=O$. This is the belief that the “events” in our lives determine the “outcomes” we experience. The problem with this belief is it guarantees you will fall short of achieving your dreams and goals. If you want to Level Up Your Leadership and move from DREAM to DO in what matters most, there is one more letter you need to add to this equation. And this one, simple letter guarantees you can be successful no matter what challenges you face!

Kent Julian is a lot of things... championship swim coach, professional speaker, devoted family man, fish-taco lover, and proud bald guy. Yet, this hasn't always been the case. Kent started out as an at-risk child with severe learning challenges and SAT scores so low that he had to take Developmental Studies just to get into college—on probation. From these humble beginnings, Kent went on to lead a national youth organization to help teenagers who struggled just like him. And today, he is privileged to share a message with 30,000-40,000 students and educators annually about what it takes to move from DREAM to DO no matter what challenges stand in your way.



Becoming a Digital Leader

Kim Karr • <https://youtu.be/B2tt6BQWnYw> • kim@icanhelpdeletenegativity.org @icanhelpofficial

Being a leader is more than setting an example at school. Leaders today need to be Positive Digital Warriors. YOU have the POWER to be a driving force + inspire others by using digital resources. Learn how to use your digital resources to be a better Digital Leader and Build Your Brand. #Digital4Good is an event spearheaded by non-profit #ICANHELP, which educates and empowers students and adults to use social media positively. Tons of ideas to navigate this digital world and empower students with digital leadership. Lead Intern Malorie + Co-Founder Kim will teach you how to showcase stories of students on your campus + in your community using #Digital4Good.

After 13 years of teaching, Kim now gives students a voice by speaking full time and sharing their projects nationwide, as the co-founder of the non-profit program called #ICANHELP. Kim shows students and adults to use technology and social media for good.



Level Up Your Relationships

Judson Laipply • Judsonlaipply@gmail.com

Relationships were already hard before we had to limit our social interaction but fear not...Judson Laipply can help you understand some of the fundamentals about relationships that will hold true no matter when you start “talking” to someone! Fast paced, insightful, and most of all—truthful! Learn about the stages of a relationship, the characteristics of healthy ones, some specific do and don'ts, and much more!

Judson Laipply is a professional speaker, author and world's first YouTube Celebrity. He's been speaking for over 20 years and has been seen on the Today Show, Ellen, GMA, Tosh.O, Oprah, and more. He resides in the Cleveland, Ohio, area and can be found at www.judsonlaipply.com

SET 2
LIVE Session!



Healthy Relationships, Dating Violence and Digital Abuse

Amanda Elkanick Oder • Texas Advocacy Project • aelkanick@texasadvocacyproject.org

In this presentation, learn the differences between conflict resolution in a healthy relationship and controlling behaviors that are often precursors to dating violence and digital abuse. Young people will discover communication approaches and techniques to respond to requests that do not respect their boundaries. Options for staying safe in school are also discussed.

SET 2
LIVE Session!

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May 7
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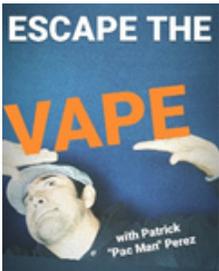
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My Voice Is My Power: #IamBiggerThanThisMoment

Carlos Ojeda • www.coolspeak.net

Coming straight from the pages of his book, and the lines of his speech, this interactive virtual session will remind us that we are all leaders, we have the power to make an impact, even when we are quarantined. Come laugh, have fun, brainstorm ideas and level up your leadership by using your voice to serve, support, and inspire others by showing them that we are all bigger than this moment.

Carlos Ojeda Jr. has been called one of the most dynamic speakers in America today. A former university administrator, professor and small business development center director, he now focuses his energy on empowering students to succeed by teaching them that their voice is their power. Combining his entrepreneurial spirit with his passion for changing the lives of youth across the country, he started CoolSpeak: The Youth Engagement Company. CoolSpeak provides youth motivational speakers, programs, and events designed to engage, educate and empower youth. CoolSpeak represents over 12 of the top youth speakers in the country, and has certified and licensed over 50 facilitators and practitioners nationwide. Over a million lives have been inspired to date.



Escape the Vape

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URGENT: JOIN THE RESISTANCE! If you are reading this that means the war on Big Tobacco is not over! We need you to step up, level up and help others ESCAPE THE VAPE! In this INTERACTIVE TRIVIA-STYLE GAME SHOW you will: Test your knowledge surrounding the myths and truths surrounding JUUL and other Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems. Level up with practical ways you can use social media to educate others about the harmful effects of vaping. See through the clouds, lies and social influence of "Big Tobacco."

Patrick Perez: Mix two parts energy with one part soul, add a dash of rhythm and you will have a taste of youth speaker Patrick Perez's epic programs! For over a decade, Patrick "Pac Man" Perez has worked alongside the American Lung Association and other youth-based tobacco prevention and cessation across the country. As a keynote speaker, workshop facilitator and emcee Patrick has helped students break through the clouds, lies and myths surrounding Big Tobacco.



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The Time for Student Leadership Is Now!

JC Pohl, Teen Truth • www.jcpohl.com

What if we told you the COVID crisis was a HUGE opportunity for student leaders? Would you think we were crazy? Join JC Pohl, a nationally certified counselor and TEEN TRUTH's co-founder, as he discusses how teens can not only help build school culture during the coronavirus pandemic, but also thrive as amazing student leaders. In this session you will experience TEEN TRUTH's most popular film on inclusion, learn how student leaders have changed lives during challenging times, and receive a proven model for leadership that will not just move you forward, but inspire you to A.C.T. with Compassion Today!

JC Pohl is a producer and speaker who has reached over 7 million people with his message of strength and personal power. He has produced groundbreaking programs such as RISING UP and TEEN TRUTH and award-winning content for companies such as Warner Brothers, ESPN, and Disney.



It's Time to STAND UP, SPEAK UP, and #BeTheFirst Vape-free Generation!

Say What! Teen Ambassadors • TxSayWhat@txstate.edu

Hear from Say What! Teen Ambassadors about the dangers of vaping, why e-cigarettes are so popular among youth, and deceitful tactics the industry uses to manipulate you. You'll also learn what you can do to educate your peers about these dangers and how to encourage them to work with you as you help create a vape-free campus and the first tobacco-free and nicotine-free generation!

The Say What! Teen Ambassadors serve on the Youth Advisory Board for Say What!. They are a group of high school students from across the state who serve as the youth tobacco prevention voice for the state of Texas. These Teen Ambassadors educate hundreds of youth and adults each year about the dangers of tobacco and nicotine products as well as serve as youth advocates for tobacco prevention policy at the local and state level. In fact, many helped with the passage of Texas 21!

SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS:



A New Way to Think of Social Media During the COVID Crisis

Jared Scott, TEEN TRUTH • <https://teentruth.net/>

Do you ever feel like social media transforms students into world class worriers? What if we could use the COVID crisis as inspiration to become a world class warrior? Join Jared Scott, successful hip-hop artist and TEEN TRUTH speaker, as he talks about the pitfalls of social media and encourages all students to find their voice during these challenging times. In this breakout session, you will experience one of TEEN TRUTH's most powerful short films on anxiety, watch Jared perform his new song, *Together We're Better*, and gain tangible insight into strategies you can use to become a world class warrior on social media.



Say It in Six

Larry Smith • The Fisher Agency: info@tfaspeakers.com

Just six words – Learn this simple form of self-expression to describe your life, connect to your peers, and build community in your student council and beyond.

Larry believes everyone has a story and has dedicated his life to creating a level playing field where everyone is empowered and inspired to share their stories. He is the creator of the Six-Word Memoir® project, a unique and addictive form of storytelling that has launched a global phenomenon that includes a website, bestselling series of books, board game, and live events. Oprah's O Magazine declares Larry is "on a quest to spark the creativity of aspiring writers." Larry has led workshops in companies across the world, but says he is never happier than when talking with students and seeing how quickly that start sharing Six-Word Memoirs that zip across auditoriums, spill into halls, and often find their way to the family dinner tables. As one teacher remarked, "Larry can turn any room into a place of inspiration and delight."



You're Either Going Back or Moving Forward

Mike Smith • The Fisher Agency: info@tfaspeakers.com

Mike Smith will expand on this title and inspire his audience to look toward the future rather than looking back in their rearview mirrors.

Mike Smith: So, there's this kid. He lives in the small town of Imperial, Nebraska. He's got a 2.4 GPA. He's a bit of a troublemaker. To top it off, his name is Mike Smith. Sounds like your average, ordinary kid, right? Wrong. In his senior year of high school, Mike realized that being ordinary was a choice. Since then, Mike has never stopped believing that he can do whatever he puts his mind to. That hard work, dedication, and the reckless pursuit of his passions can turn his life into something extraordinary; that he is the only one who can control his legacy. For over a decade, Mike has done just that... And he's never looked back. From his humble beginnings in Imperial, NE, Mike has since founded two non-profits and influenced hundreds of thousands of youth in high schools, universities, and adults in board rooms nationwide.



What's in a Vape?

Vapes Down Campaign/Texas Department of State Health Services and Maggi Gallaspy.

For information about this presentation, contact Emily Baker, emilyb@sherrymatthews.com

This presentation shares facts and messages about the dangers of vaping from the Vapes Down campaign. Viewers will see the campaign's television and radio spots, digital ads, and clips produced by popular social influencers. They'll also learn about the harmful ingredients in vapes and the campaign's traveling exhibit, quit resources, and tobacco prevention programs. Presented by TASC Vice President Maggi Gallaspy, the presentation reinforces TASC state service project messages about vaping and substance abuse.

Maggi Gallaspy is Vice President of Texas Association of Student Councils and student body president at Hardin-Jefferson High School in Sour Lake, Texas.



SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS:



How to be a Global Citizen

Evan Wesley • evan@thirstproject.org • 323-877-4257

Our world is hurting. COVID-19 is just one example of dozens of issues that people groups face around the world. Join Thirst Project as we show you how Student Council leaders can take action to solve international issues through local service.

Evan Wesley is the Vice President for Student Activation for Thirst Project. He spends his time traveling around the United States, speaking to middle school, high school, and college students about the global water crisis. Evan has spoken to over 75,000 students as a Keynote speaker, working with and speaking to groups including United Nations, UNICEF, National Association of Student Councils, Key Club International, HOSA, WorldLink Peace and Justice, North American Hair Association, Paul Mitchell Schools, and Millennium Campus Network. To date, Evan and the Thirst Project team have given clean water to over 330,000 people in 13 different countries. Currently, Evan and the Thirst Project team work closely with the government and Kingdom of Swaziland (now eSwatini) to build freshwater wells for communities in need, with a goal to END the water crisis in Swaziland by 2022.



The Ride Along – A Career Podcast

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TASC Alum Jay Williamson presents a podcast focused on providing dynamic career information to help students make career decisions.

Jay Williamson is a current University of Texas Business student and a TASC Alum from Texarkana ISD. The Ride Along podcast is part of My Mentor Network and provides students with meaningful career discussions to use in their career decision process.

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Sprinkle a Little dude.be nice on Your Campus

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Sometimes we forget that leadership is bigger than just dances, bake sales, and rallies. Here's something you can throw into the mix that will make a meaningful impact on your campus and community. Brent Camalich is the CEO and founder of dude.be nice (DBN). DBN is a brand built to inspire people to treat themselves and others better.



Leaders Save Lives with Donate Life Texas!

Presented by Kim Charles, Donate Life Texas, and Tina Ruelas, Double Lung Recipient • Info@DonateLifeTexas.org

Learn the lifesaving power of organ, eye, and tissue donation and how to educate your school and community with turn-key resources! Take the Lead and Save Lives with Donate Life Texas! Learn the lifesaving impact of organ, eye, and tissue donor registration and find turn-key resources designed to help students turn inspiration into action through registration campaigns and activities through their school. Unlike many activities, donor registration does not rely on fundraising from participants. Donor registration is free, takes only a few minutes and is open to everyone regardless of age, gender, health, faith, country of origin, or ethnic and cultural background. Donate Life Texas is the state's official organ, eye, and tissue donor registry and is a TASC-endorsed program.



SAFE 2 SAVE

Level Up Your Leadership on the Road

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Did you know that in the United States, about 9 people are killed every day due to car crashes involving a distracted driver? Distracted driving is an epidemic in our society today and being an influencer in your school includes being a leader on the road. SAFE 2 SAVE is a tool which uses positive reinforcement to spread awareness about distracted driving. At the same time, it saves you money at restaurants and businesses you love. Listen in to hear how you can work with SAFE 2 SAVE to encourage safe driving and earn free food today.

SAFE 2 SAVE is a mobile app which rewards users for driving undistracted. Points are accrued when travelling undistracted and can be redeemed for discounts + free items at local businesses and online. SAFE 2 SAVE is proving to change distracted driving behavior patterns - as one life lost due to distracted driving is one too many.

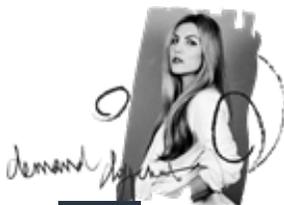
After a student lost his life from a driver texting in College Station, TX, Marci Corry decided to make an impact on safe driving in communities throughout Texas. After researching behavior change and observing that her young children responded well with positive reinforcement, Corry decided to encourage people in a positive way to stay off their phones while driving. She founded SAFE 2 SAVE in October 2016. Marci is a charismatic visionary consistently promoting innovation + creativity to accomplish big things with the goal to make a difference across our society.

Dose of Perspective

Dr. Julia Garcia • The Fisher Agency: info@tfaspeakers.com

When there is so much uncertainty and change happening around us, sometimes our greatest superpower can be unlocked in the POWER OF OUR PERSPECTIVE. Join me, Dr. J, as I help redirect a time of perceived powerlessness into a way to recognize new possibilities.

After 10+ years working with over a quarter million students nationwide, social emotional health expert and TEDx Speaker JULIA GARCIA is leading a generation of young voices to speak up, stand up and rise up TOGETHER. JULIA GARCIA is extraordinary in her ability to create a culture of empathy and compassion on campuses. With her infectious energy, raw spoken word poetry, and powerful audience interaction, she creates a space for students to have a real experience instead of just attending an event. Her diverse background, unparalleled passion, and PHD research make JULIA GARCIA one of the most dynamic and critical voices of our generation. In a digital era with overwhelming pressures and fake highlight reels, JULIA GARCIA is a refreshing reminder that we are never alone and your story and your voice matter.



SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS AND ADVISORS:

SET 1
LIVE Session!

Character
Strong



Are You Thinking About the SAME Thing I Am?

Houston Kraft • characterstrong.com • [@houstonkraft](https://twitter.com/houstonkraft)

The world is in desperate need of Kindness and Leadership — and it's not the first time. Why is it that we all believe in more Kindness, but aren't always very good at practicing it? What gets in the way of us connecting with compassion? Houston shares some of the F's that prevent us from a living in a more loving world.

Houston has spoken at 600 schools or events over the past 10 years. He co-founded CharacterStrong in 2016 alongside his hero and friend John Norlin and they currently work with 2,000 schools globally. His face was on chip bags — BBQ and Jalapeño flavored.

KIDS FOR WISH KIDS®

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Kids For Wish Kids® is a program managed by kids, for kids. Inspiring kids to have an impact in their community, the Kids For Wish Kids program engages students, schools and youth organizations in philanthropy and service activities in partnership with Make-A-Wish. The program encourages leadership, community service, volunteerism and teamwork. It builds team spirit and leadership skills while giving students hands-on experience in fundraising to help create life-changing wishes for kids fighting critical illnesses.



Get Into the Pit

Davey Muise • The Fisher Agency: info@tfaspeakers.com

As we build our platforms and stages remember that we cannot lead from above. True leadership finds solid ground in chaos and purpose among the pandemonium. Davey will share his stories behind the songs, the passions he found in a pit and how digging out is just the beginning.

From the classroom to the stage, this former teacher turned punk rock front man spent the last decade touring stages and cities around the world. Whether it's mosh pits or gymnasiums, night clubs or auditoriums, Davey lives his life by following his heart and pursuing his passions without fear of judgment and sharing those passions. Davey's message of empowerment and overcoming adversity reaches far beyond the classroom or concert setting. Davey is also heavily invested in the non-profit organization Hope For The Day (HFTD). HFTD is committed to utilizing music and the arts as preventative mechanisms for suicide and depression. Davey believes the youth of today have the ability to use creativity to help others dig out of the negativity they may be buried in.



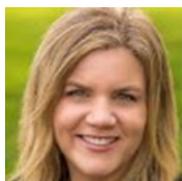
REALMS – Activities for Councils

Terri Johnson • masc@masc1.org

This is a fast-paced power point presentation filled with tons of pictures of activities councils can create in their own schools.

Terri serves as the state director for the Missouri Association of Student Councils. She has been an educator for 38 years and served as a school counselor and student council advisor for 30 of those years. Her personal philosophy: "There is a leadership lesson in everything!" She believes we all can help to create a better, kinder world through leadership lessons and service.

SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS AND ADVISORS:



Work2BeWell - A Student Movement

Sarah Nilles with guest Kim Karr • Sara Nilles, OASC, sara@oasc.org

To improve your mental health and the mental health of students across the country, your help is needed! Work2BeWell is a student movement that requires everyone working together to make the biggest possible impact. We can improve and save lives, but we have to take action first. In this workshop you'll learn about how to make your own Emotional First Aid Kit and you'll learn how you can get involved and join this campaign.

Sara Nilles is in her tenth year as the Executive Director for the Oregon Association of Student Councils. She enjoyed her time as a middle school math, technology, yearbook and leadership teacher for ten years before her role with OASC. The Confederation of Oregon School Administrators (COSA) sponsors OASC; Sara also supports COSA's professional development team. She studied math education at Montana State University (Go Bobcats!) and earned her masters in Curriculum & Instruction and ESL/ELL from Portland State University. She loves cheering for the University of Oregon Ducks, traveling, and going to the dog park with her best buddy Jax.



Civic Engagement

Jaime Rodriguez and Carroll Senior High School • jiame@jemja.com

Let's celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Pride and Patriotism state report as well as gain knowledge about voter registration, volunteer Deputy Voter Registrar training, Student Clerk opportunities. Let's really consider what is real Pride and Patriotism and learn about messaging and activism.

Jaime Rodriguez specializes in management consulting for the public and private sectors. His marketing/communication skills have been built from years of work in the industry. He has been in charge of groups of hundreds of volunteers and has run events across the country. As a former state parliamentarian for TASC, he created the Pride and Patriotism state report and is excited to once again be contributing to this association.



Level Up Your Leadership: Giving Back

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Student Councils are filled with extraordinary people with special talents who truly care about helping others. Learn how having a vision helps to develop a mission for your future. Develop a plan for yourself and others to achieve peak performance and optimal teamwork. The leadership actions of one person can have a ripple effect on the community. Move from ordinary to extraordinary to take the lead, while helping others along the way.

Why Eddie Slowikowski? Because He Sets the Pace 3 minutes and 58 seconds. That is the amount of time it took Eddie Slowikowski to run the mile. Whether it's as a Gold Medal winner for the USA Track & Field Team, a 3-time NCAA All-American, or the world's most dynamic professional speaker, Eddie knows a thing or two about leadership and peak performance. Through years of training as an athlete and running his own speaking business, he knows what it takes to be elite. Eddie has always had the can-do spirit of an entrepreneur, in all walks of life. Best of all, Eddie can channel that sense of accomplishment through interactive storytelling to audiences everywhere. He can make you laugh, cry, dance and learn... all in one presentation. Through storytelling and high-energy showmanship, Eddie shows participants how to follow through on a vision from inception to achievement and how to create positive energy for yourself and others. It's time to match who you are with who you want to be. Create peak performance to attain the attitude of, Be That Now!



Level Up Your Presentation Skills

Eddie Slowikowski • Eddiespeak.com • slowandassoc@gmail.com

You may have great things to say, but first you must find a way to say them so people listen. Join Eddie to learn how to take your presentation skills to the next level.

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SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS AND ADVISORS:



Going Gold for Kids with Cancer

Carina Trenka, Assistant Director Go4theGoal Foundation • carinatrenka@go4thegoal.org

This presentation touches on the struggle that families and caregivers face when a child is diagnosed and treated for cancer, the ways Go4theGoal strives to make a difference, and how we can partner with your school to have a direct impact on kids and families in your area.

Go4theGoal's unwavering mission is to improve the lives of children battling cancer by providing financial support, developing and implementing unique hospital programs, funding innovative research, and granting personal wishes. Through our first-hand experience with pediatric cancer and our medical background, Go4theGoal provides the best practices to patients, their families, and the hospitals and staff that care for them. Go4theGoal works with over 150 hospitals across the country, including over a dozen in Texas alone.



May 14
LIVE Session!

Metaphorically Speaking: Finding Inspiration Through Poetry

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In this interactive workshop, award winning teacher and World Poetry Slam Champion, Joaquín Zihuatanejo, will share poems that were derived from sources of inspiration in his life as a scholar and teacher. We all have sources of inspiration. In this workshop, Joaquín will challenge you to face them and write about them in verse. Attendees will get to listen to poems that have won poetry slam competitions all over the planet, but more importantly they will get the chance to brainstorm, write, and share their astonishing voices. Equal parts performance and quick write workshop, attendees will walk away from this workshop inspired to live, think, and work more deeply.

Joaquín Zihuatanejo is an award winning teacher, an HBO Def Poet, and a World Poetry Slam Champion. Born and raised in the barrio of East Dallas, in his work Joaquín strives to capture the duality of the Chicano culture. Joaquín has been called by critics "one of the most dynamic and passionate performance poets in the country, melding equal parts comedy, poetry, and dramatic monologue into a crowd-pleasing display of verbal fireworks...always thrilling, Joaquín's hilariously manic presentation is full of compassion and nuance, never sacrificing substance for style, leading many to call him poetry slam's answer to John Leguizamo." Joaquín is currently working on his MFA with a concentration in poetry from the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, New Mexico. A National Hispanic Cultural Center Artist in Residence and published author, Joaquín has won the Individual World Poetry Slam Championship in The United States and the European World Cup of Poetry Slam held in Paris, France, making him for a time the number one ranked slam poet in the world on both sides of the Atlantic. Joaquín has two passions in his life, his partner Aída and poetry, always in that order.

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How to Teach with Heart when You're Secretly FREAKING OUT

John Beede • www.johnbeede.com

You've got enough of your own stuff to worry about! The world is nuts right now... so how can you be expected to meaningfully connect with a bunch of teenaged student leaders? Especially when you're not even legally allowed into your school? What about when you're worried about your family's health, finances, and the future, but you still have a job to do and students are counting on you for guidance? This advisors' workshop will give educators, like you, a simple -- yet effective -- 3 step formula that will help you stay centered on your mission, even as the anxieties and fears of our world try to distract you.

Adventurer John Beede has been struck by lightning, attacked by a 5-foot iguana, and he once did the hokey-pokey in the eye of a hurricane. He's been swimming with Hammerhead, Great White, and Whale sharks. He was even trapped in the Indonesian jungle between warring tribes and the world's largest goldmine. His travels have taken him to 56 countries and every continent including Antarctica. Get ready to laugh and be inspired. John's integration of outdoor adventure stories and powerful success strategies are going to catapult you to a new level of personal achievement.

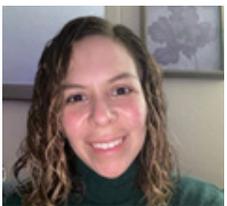


Leadership Lessons to Live By

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This virtual workshop will give you a few of my favorite lessons for my leadership class.

Terry is a math and leadership class teacher in Livonia, NY. She serves on the state leadership board in NY and is on the executive board for the National Association of Workshop Directors. She is the 2019 winner of the Earl Reum Award presented for her work with advisors.

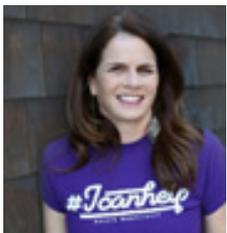


New Advisor Session

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Just starting, or have been here and are still a little lost? Join me in this session to get the bare bones of being a student council advisor as well as access to many resources to make your first few years successful.

Nan is an adviser at Klein Cain High School, a TASC Summer Leadership Workshop consultant, and serves as an Elected Adviser to the TASC Board.



#Digital4Good and Being a Digital First Responder

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We will train you how to respond to online negativity or awkward moments. It's time to cut some of the drama, stress and anxiety from your life. This interactive session will share stories, lessons and activities you can do back on your virtual campus to showcase #Digital4Good, increase participation and engagement, and connect with students on your virtual campus.

After 13 years of teaching, Kim now gives students a voice by speaking full time and sharing their projects nationwide, as the co-founder of the non-profit program called #ICANHELP. Kim shows students and adults to use technology and social media for good.

SESSIONS FOR ADVISORS:



What's Your Shine?

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How do we develop leaders when we're looking at them through a computer screen? How do I keep them engaged? How do I advise them on creating meaningful programming for our school during a time of non-traditional instruction? What's Your Shine is a session that will provide suggestions for how to answer these questions using various teaching tools from House of Shine, an organization on mission to grow leaders. In the session, advisors will learn the SHINE Framework as a tool for discussing the role each leader plays and be introduced to two specific tools for engaging Student Council members during this time when they're not physically together.

House of Shine is a 501(c)(3) non-profit whose mission is to help students discover who they are and why their self-awareness matters. We do this through curriculum and programs that unearth their SHINE—their strengths, hobbies, interests, irritants, needs, and experiences.

Katie Kolkmeier has served as the Director of Programs at House of Shine for the last four years. In that time, Katie has taught students Kindergarten through twelfth grade, Student Council advisors, teachers, counselors, and librarians about the SHINE message and why their self-awareness matters. Katie has a Master's in Education from James Madison University and spent her time prior to House of Shine working on college campuses around the country supervising training leaders in residential learning environments.



Distance Learning + Student Leadership Program

Stephanie Morell • stephanie@lead4change.org

Student Leadership Program is an excellent solution for distance learning! Students in grades 6-12 can work virtually to lead, create and implement a project to meet a community need. Lead4Change is an excellent framework for Student Council leaders to engage others in the issues and changes in need of action at their schools. Lead4Change offers equitable solutions for students and advisors across all platforms through our printed, PDF or Google Doc lessons. Choose one or a combination to ensure all students have the lessons in a form they need to focus on school-from-home remote learning.

Plus, enter to possibly win a grant of up to \$10,000 for your charity of choice or school! Plus, student teams can enter the Challenge and win grants for their school or community! Teachers, advisers, students and parents can register at Lead4Change.org/register

Stephanie is a Program Consultant at the Foundation for Impact on Literacy and Learning. She also observes and coaches student teachers with the School of Education at the University of Indianapolis. Prior to her current positions, Stephanie spent 9 years in education as a teacher and PBL math consultant.



Green Student Leadership Projects

Taylor Scott Nelson • Information Specialist III – Take Care of Texas Taylor.Nelson@tceq.texas.gov

A list of indoor and outdoor green projects for students offering leadership opportunities, multi-disciplinary educational applications, and first-hand conservation efforts to Take Care of Texas!

Taylor is a native Texan with a passion for sustainability and environmentalism. Prior to working at the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, he worked at marketing agencies before learning about sustainable agriculture which set him on a greener path. He now shares his passion with fellow Texans of all ages across the state on how to Take Care of Texas.

SESSIONS FOR ADVISORS:



The 4 Big Lies

John Norlin • john@characterstrong.com • www.characterstrong.com Twitter: @johnnorlin • Instagram: characterstrong
People want to lead, but the real question is what gets in the way? John will unpack the 4 Big Lies that leaders face to truly make a difference and leave people better than you found them each day. John is the co-founder of CharacterStrong - an organization that provides trainings and curriculum for schools internationally. He was a High School Teacher for 10 years, Program Administrator for the Whole Child at the Sumner School District for 5 years, and Director of Mt. Adams Leadership Camp sponsored by the Association of Washington School Principals. John holds a Master's Degree in Organizational Leadership with a Servant-Leadership approach from Gonzaga University and consults with schools, districts, organizations, leaders, and teams on improving organizational structure across the United States.



Lights, Camera, Engagement: Ideas and Strategies on How to Engage Students Virtually

Carlos Ojeda • www.coolspeak.net
We can teach, do an icebreaker, energizer or activity, but now we have to do all of this and more virtually. How do you make it engaging, let alone memorable and impactful? During this session, participants will learn strategies on how to successfully go virtual and infuse it with the energy and emotion needed to make it fun, relevant and meaningful to students. Carlos Ojeda Jr. has been called one of the most dynamic speakers in America today. A former university administrator, professor and small business development center director, he now focuses his energy on empowering students to succeed by teaching them that their voice is their power. Combining his entrepreneurial spirit with his passion for changing the lives of youth across the country, he started CoolSpeak: The Youth Engagement Company. CoolSpeak provides youth motivational speakers, programs, and events designed to engage, educate and empower youth. CoolSpeak represents over 12 of the top youth speakers in the country, and has certified and licensed over 50 facilitators and practitioners nationwide. Over a million lives have been inspired to date.



A Once in a Lifetime Opportunity to Build Student Leaders

JC Pohl, Teen Truth • www.jcpohl.com
The coronavirus pandemic has thrown education upside down. Your events have been cancelled, classes turned virtual, and you are probably struggling to find ways to pull your school community together. What if the COVID crisis could serve as the most awesome opportunity ever to build student leaders? Join JC Pohl, nationally certified counselor and TEEN TRUTH co-founder, as he discusses the importance of building self-driven leaders and how these challenging times might actually be the perfect recipe to put your students in the position to not only build school culture, but also thrive as student leaders!
JC Pohl is a producer and speaker who has reached over 7 million people with his message of strength and personal power. He has produced groundbreaking programs such as RISING UP and TEEN TRUTH and award-winning content for companies such as Warner Brothers, ESPN, and Disney.



Succeed Anyway.....And Just How Can I Do That?

Mike Rayburn • <https://mikerayburn.com>
As an advisor, a teacher, a parent, a human being, some days the cards just seem to be stacked against you, and maybe they are. Succeed Anyway. Join Mike Rayburn and learn how you really can become a virtuoso. Yes, you can.
Mike Rayburn is an American guitarist, motivational speaker, comedian, songwriter, and entrepreneur based in Las Vegas. He is a Hall of Fame member of the National Speakers Association known for combining guitar, comedy, and motivational speaking in his performances.

SESSIONS FOR ADVISORS:



Overcome! You Can Do It!

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Join Heather as she faces her biggest fear that brings her to tears!!! Everyone, no matter who you are, has fears to face and challenges to overcome. Don't doubt yourself or get lost in the process thus becoming your own biggest obstacle. Embracing a resilient mindset is not a "one and done" thing. It should be part of your core. This is Heather like you've never seen her. She's getting real, exposing her vulnerability and inviting you on this journey of facing fears!

Heather is a registered nurse who accepted a position as a youth director for a non-profit drug prevention youth organization. Her job included training young people from all over the nation to serve as youth leaders, writing and leading workshops, planning and facilitating weekend retreats, and organizing an annual national conference. As she began watching keynote speakers on stage and in action, she thought, "I would love to do that." Her first professional conference keynote was in 1989, and she was hooked. Heather is the author of *Live Extraordinary*.



40 in 40

Texas Association of Student Councils Team: Tommy Calais, Allison Stamey, Sylvia McMinn, Rita Clawson, and Courtney Lindloff

Join experienced advisors in this idea packed session. You will gain project ideas that are meaningful, service driven, impactful, and educational activities that will benefit students, staff, your community, and your world.



Medal of Honor Character Development Program: Inspiring Students with the Stories of Heroes

Noel Wall • nwall@cmohs.org

Values are essential for effective leaders. What better way to learn about the impact of values than through the stories of America's greatest heroes? Join this session to learn about the Medal of Honor Character Development Program and how its lessons and videos can lead your students to a deeper understanding of courage, commitment, sacrifice, integrity, citizenship, and patriotism.

Noel Wall is the Director of Education with the Congressional Medal of Honor Society and has worked with the Character Development Program for 8 years. Before her time in this role, she worked as an adjunct English and Leadership professor and as a Faculty Fellow in the Krause Center for Leadership and Ethics at The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina.

**WE ARE JUST BEGINNING TO LEVEL UP. KEEP THAT ACCESS CODE.
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WILL BE RELEASED AT 8:00 AM MONDAY, MAY 4 CT.**

Bel Air High School

QUALITY DASH PROJECTS

Sylvia McMinn • smcminn@yisd.net

No Dum Dum projects here! Learn of quality DASH projects your council can do that will have a meaningful and strong impact on your school and community. Learn how partnering with community organizations can LEVEL UP your DASH committee!

DASH, CS

Brazoswood High School

BEAUTIFUL BATHROOMS

Stephanie Jess • sjess@brazosportisd.net

To promote mental health awareness, student council officers painted beautiful inspirational quotes and messages in both boys and girls bathrooms to brighten everyone's day.

DASH, P&P

Bridge City HS

BRIDGE CITY HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR GRILL AND CHILL

Cheryl Royal • cheryl.royal@bridgecityisd.net

Senior Week at BCHS is always full of traditions that include a huge senior pep rally where students enjoy a slideshow as well as receive letters that they wrote to themselves in 8th grade. This year we leveled up, and our first annual Senior Grill & Chill was born. Find out how to make it work on your campus!

P&P

Burges High School

THE REAL DEAL WITH D.A.S.H.

Ruth Bohlin • burgesmustang1955@gmail.com

We will DASH through an array of activities your council can take back to your campus. From presentations, pledge drives, and obstacle courses to wellness weeks, vibe checks, and silent-strikes, DASH is the committee tackling real issues. It can be the most powerful platform your council has to help schools and communities!

DASH

Burges High School

CAPTURE THE MOMENT - STUCO SCRAPBOOKS 101

Ruth Bohlin • burgesmustang1955@gmail.com

Get ready to flex your council's yearly highlights with interactive scrapbooks! These scrapbooks are not your average photo album or slideshow. Capture the essence of your council's best moments, activities and overall theme and share this at activity fairs and open houses.

P&P

Canutillo High School

CHEMO CARE BAGS

Carolina Lopez • ihernandez@canutillo-isd.org

Cancer patients sometimes have to sit from thirty minutes to four hours for one chemo session. Our council wanted to brighten up patients' days by providing bags full of goodies such as water, granola bar, crossword puzzles, hand sanitizer, socks, sunscreen, tissues, and a card.

DASH, CS

Chapin High School

SUPPORTING SPECIAL POPULATIONS

Julie Oshiro • jroshiro@episd.org

We will share events and activities we plan with our special needs population: Examples are athletic games, pep rally send-off for our Special Olympics team, Special Prom Sweet-hearts dance, valentines in class, and holiday decorating.

P&P

Conroe High School

WALKING DEAD SCRUBS

Judy Skelton • jskelton@conroeisd.net

Our council created a way to share the consequences of drug abuse through art on scrubs.

DASH

Deer Park High School - North Campus

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS WALK

Carol Voight • cvoight@dpisd.org

For our successful Breast Cancer Awareness walk, we sell tickets to get out of class for one period to walk around the track, gym, or school depending on weather. All proceeds go to Susan G. Komen Foundation. This also encourages fitness and stress relief, so this includes three DASH projects in one as well as community service.

DASH, CS

Dickinson High School

PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY COMPETITION

Jennifer Blakely • jblakely@dickinsonisd.org

We had great success in challenging a neighboring high school in a friendly competition to see who could get the most food donated. We collected jelly, and they collected peanut butter. Then we donated collected items to our county food bank. We can share plans for this easy to do and worthwhile project.

P&P, CS, DASH

Eastlake High School

CHOOSE LOVE ALL THE TIME!

Kelley Akins • kakins@sisd.net

Everyone on your campus deserves love, no matter what time of year! Learn how to spread friendly love on your campus all year round. We will send you back to campus with ideas for scavenger hunts, pass it on messages, and more! As CharacterStrong reminds us, "Choose Love!"
P&P

Eastlake High School

BECAUSE I SAID I WOULD

Kelley Akins • kakins@sisd.net

Promises are meant to be kept! This project, which included our entire student body, emphasized the importance of keeping the promises that you make. Sit with us to learn how we make promises, set goals, and work with our friends and loved ones to keep ourselves accountable. This is a quick and easy project for any time of the year!
P&P

Eastwood High School

HAVE A HEART, DO YOUR PART. GO GREEN AND KEEP YOUR CAMPUS CLEAN!

Ashley Oropeza • aoropeza1@yisd.net

Learn different Energy and Environment projects you can do on your campus or in your community! Get ideas to get your school on the green team, not the mean team! Project ideas include: "Blind Date with a Book," "Thrift Up Jeans for Teens," "The only Pot You Need," "Are You in Doubt? Then Don't Throw It Out! ", and "Do Your Share for Green Care."
E&E

Eastwood High School

SPREAD POSITIVITY AND HELP MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTIONS

Ashley Oropeza • aoropeza1@yisd.net

Learn about a project designed to bring awareness of and provide donations to mental institutions in your area! Mental health is a serious topic that needs to be discussed more among young people. We reached out to students at our school for donations that many local mental institutions need. The project helped improve recreational activities and improve the overall environment of these institutions.
CS

El Dorado High School

DE-STRESS FEST

Theresa Maya • tmaya@sisd.net

Since the terrible shooting in El Paso, a lot of students face anxiety and get really nervous. So we held a de-stress fest during a testing week centered around the idea of helping

our student population relax and not get so anxious. During this 3-day fest in our gym, we had games, coloring, relaxing activities, and even planned a vape petition since kids turn to negative outlets in order to de-stress.

DASH, P&P

El Dorado High School

DONATE 4 LIFE

Theresa Maya • tmaya@sisd.net

Donate 4 Life has challenged high schools all across Texas to spread awareness of the importance of becoming an organ donor. To help encourage schools, they implemented a points and rewards system based on how well each school does. We spread awareness by having assemblies, making announcements, and going to high traffic areas around the school to talk about organ donation with community members as well as students.

DASH, CS

El Dorado High School

IGNITE THE EMPIRE

Theresa Maya • tmaya@sisd.net

Ignite the Empire is the most hyped pep-rally of our school year. Ignite the empire is our night time pep-rally at which Aztecs gather to turn off the lights, have music, games, glow sticks, and a spirit stick competition to show off our spirit and hype up the football team and fans for our first football game!!

P&P

Franklin High School

9/11 DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE

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In conjunction with 9/11 Day of Service and Remembrance, Franklin High School hosted a Day of Remembrance Ceremony and handed out Cookies for Courage. We invited local first responders and veterans to our campus to recognize them for their service at home and abroad and included recognition of 9/11 and victims of the El Paso shooting. We served cookies and coffee to community members and provided lunch for a local fire station through a Youth Service America grant. Franklin Student Council invited local elementary and feeder pattern schools to attend and create their own projects in recognition of patriots.

CS, P&P

Hardin-Jefferson High School

HJ'S 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

Kristi West • kristiwest@hjisd.net

Learn about our version of the 12 days of Christmas where we dress up, play games. have class competitions and a hot chocolate bar.

P&P

Hardin-Jefferson HS

RED RIBBON WEEK IN A BOX

Kristi West • kristiwest@hjisd.net

Let us share how to put on a meaningful Red Ribbon Week. DASH

James Taylor High School

T-SHIRT BLANKET PROJECT

Sandra Weems • SandraLWeems@katyisd.org

We held a t-shirt drive for two weeks and then worked through home rooms to create blankets for the homeless. It was a great hands-on service project that brought students in home rooms closer together and served a need. • P&P, CS

Kempner High School

COOGAPOLOOZA

Barbara Hoffman • barbara.hoffman@fortbendis.com

Based on unifying the community and as a permanent replacement for our homecoming dance, we created Coogapoloza, a twist on a Halloween/ carnival that includes fun rides such as Bull ride, tug a war, inflatables, slides, dunk tank, as well as food trucks. We added our can drive to our ticket sales to boost up our annual can drive. We invited the feeder elementary and middle schools to participate. Overall Coogapoloza was a success; over 700 people attended as we helped the food banks and unified the community. • P&P, CS, OSC

Klein Oak High School

OAKFEST: RUNNING A SCHOOL CARNIVAL

Susan Parent • sparent1@kleinisd.net

At Klein Oak High School we have a tradition of running two carnivals each year as fundraisers for charities. Come find out all of the ends and outs of having an awesome school carnival which is also a super fund raiser. • P&P

Legacy High School

FUNDRAISING ON A SHOESTRING - EASY WAYS TO RAISE MONEY

Kenna Cavnar • kennacavnar@misdmail.org

Raising money is often the most difficult thing we do as a council. We have found a few helpful events that raise money in a short time. We will discuss "Race to Raise"; Fan Pledge, and various other events. • OSC, P&P

Legacy High School STUCO

FACULTY AND STAFF APPRECIATION IDEAS

Kenna Cavnar • kennacavnar@misdmail.org

We work to ensure that every member of our staff, our teachers, our students and our clubs are recognized in some way. This could be expensive, but we have some inexpensive and easy ideas to help you make sure everyone feels the love around your campus. • P&P

Montgomery High School

HOW YOUR STUCO CAN UTILIZE A CRI-CUT

Laurie Zuehlke • laurie.zuehlke@misd.org

Learn how to transform your StuCo with a vinyl cutting machine. With a cutting machine, you can make T-shirts, homecoming signs and sashes, stickers, display boards, teacher appreciation gifts, spirit wear, and cut outs. This investment for your council will save you so much time and stress as well as advance the creative abilities of your members. • P&P

Montwood High School

DARE TO RISE LEADERSHIP CAMP

Ana Player • aplayer@sisd.net

Montwood Student Council invited student leaders from our campus to the TASC Summer Leadership Workshop in Georgetown, TX. These leaders from Cheer, TAFE, NHS and of course, Student Council then hosted our own leadership camp for other club officers, captains and teams. The event included activities such as the Amazing Race and a skit advocating action for an issue of the student's choice. Join us to learn how to have your own leadership workshop day. • P&P

Montwood High School

MHS MONTHLY SOCIALS

Ana Player • aplayer@sisd.net

We wanted to provide a way for members of various organizations to interact. We gave organizations the opportunity to select a month and plan a social based on a specific country or locale. Students met new people, played games, and tried out delicious cuisines. These socials challenged club officers to organize, communicate and collaborate in order to have a successful event. So far this year eight different groups hosted entertaining and fun socials! • P&P

North Forney High School

KINDNESS WEEK

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During Kindness Week we encouraged students to be kind with daily challenges everyday. In addition to dress up days, we shared several projects in advisory that emphasized being kind to one another and ways that they could be kind. We also had a Change for Change fundraiser for the Fern Norville Center in Kaufman and provided a prize for the advisory that had raised the most money. This brought our school together because students took on our challenges to be kind to one another and showed just how impactful kindness could be. • P&P, CS, DASH

North Shore Senior High School

ANI-MEALS

Ann Semler • asemler@galenaparkisd.com

You can help feed the pets of people who receive Meals-on-Wheels. Learn how and where to help those preparing Meals-on-Wheels in your area help feed the pets so people do not have to share their food to keep their companion alive. This is good for individual schools as well as TASC individual districts. • CS, DASH, P&P

Pine Tree High School

HALLOWEEN BASH AND HAUNTED HALLWAY

Caity Rutledge • crutledge@ptisd.org

This was our first year successfully putting together a Halloween dance and a haunted hallway at our school. We will share tips and tricks on how to effectively host a Halloween dance. We will also share how we used recycled items for our haunted hallway. • CS, E&E, DASH

Red Oak High School

CREATING A MORE INCLUSIVE HOMECOMING

Angela Thomas • angela.thomas@redoakisd.org

Red Oak High School Student Council has been working towards creating a more inclusive homecoming. Nonverbal, sensory impaired, and developmentally impaired students got the chance to make their own homecoming mums rather than our making the mums for them. We set up stations for each step of the mum making process via an assembly line method. Each special education student was paired with a Student Council member to walk them through the mum making process. On Homecoming Day they wore their mums with pride around campus, to the pep rally, and in the community parade. This was an incredibly impactful project for both the council and ROHS students. • P&P CS

Reedy High School

HONORING VETERANS

Alexandra Caldwell • caldwella@friscoisd.org

Reedy High School focuses on showing our appreciation for veterans in our school and community. We spoke at the local American Legion meeting, as well as at a City Council meeting to recognize veterans. Our school hosted a veterans breakfast, and we completed a community project to raise funds for Homes for our Troops. Community involvement is BIG in these events. Join us to learn about the steps involved. • P&P, CS

Richard King High School

IT'S NOT A GAME GAME NIGHT

Velia Zamora • velia.zamora@ccisd.us

We capped off Red Ribbon Week with a Game Night to give our students an opportunity to experience fun the “natural way”. We set up multiple board games, backyard games, and an art and craft center and provided snacks and refreshments for students to enjoy. It was nice to see so many high school kids come together for such simple fun. After our “GAME NIGHT” we donated several of the board and card games to group homes in our community. Students requested a follow up game night, so we have decided to purchase more board games and plan periodic game nights throughout the school year. • DASH, P&P, CS

Ridge Point High School

FORT BEND EDUCATION FOUNDATION BIKE RIDE

Tonya Samuels • tonya.samuels@fortbendisd.com

Each year the Ridge Point Student Council volunteers at the Schlumberger bike ride benefiting the Fort Bend Education Foundation. We set up a rest stop with food, beverages, music, games, and entertainment for the bikers participating in the event. During the event, students pass out food, cheer bikers on, and keep them company while they are resting. This project creates a fun experience for both the students and the bikers while allowing students to give back to their community and the foundation which makes so much possible on our campus. • CS

S&S High School Student Council

THE RAM ROOM

Kim Whaley • Kimberly.whaley@sscisd.net

Over half of our students receive free or reduced lunch prices, so we know money is not always abundant, and we want to ensure students have items they need. Therefore, we collect common necessities including toiletries and school supplies. Any student can walk in and out, no questions asked. Information is posted on social media, the school website, and throughout the halls so students are aware of the room. CS, DASH

Santa Fe High School

TRIBE WARS

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This year we hosted a week long competition between grade levels and the staff. We are the Indians so we called it the tribe wars. Each class was assigned a color. We had red, blue, green, yellow, and black like the Olympics. There were five arrows hidden around the school each day that students received points for finding. There were activities like trivia and pie eating contests at lunch, and the final showdown was at a pep rally on Friday. • P&P

Sealy High School

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA - REMEMBER, HONOR, TEACH

Leslie Pacher • lapacher@sealyisd.com

Wreaths Across America is a nation-wide day to remember and honor our veterans who have passed away by laying a live balsam wreath at their grave. Two years ago, our Student Council, NHS, and Interact decided to band together and bring Wreaths Across America to our community. We will discuss how to get involved in an already established Wreaths Across America event or how to get one started in your community. • CS, P&P

Santa Fe High School

SENIOR PARKING SPOTS

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This year seniors at our school were allowed to pay to paint their very own parking spots. This successful fund raiser has become a new tradition for our student body. • P&P

Sherman High School

THANKFUL FOR OUR CUSTODIANS!

Gena Graham • ggraham@shermanisd.net

SHS Stuco hosts an annual Thanksgiving luncheon for our custodial staff to show them how much we appreciate everything they do for our school. • P&P

Stratford High School

GET PLUGGED IN

Mary Jackson • mary.jackson@springbranchisd.com

Need efficiency in Student Council? Join us to learn how to utilize all types of technology, social media and online platforms to keep your StuCo family informed and organized. • OSC

Stratford High School

GIVE AND TAKE

Mary Jackson • mary.jackson@springbranchisd.com

We can show you how to create optimal ways to increase cash flow donations through philanthropic events, giving your organization the ability to fund events and help clubs that need support. • CS, OSC

Taylor High School

BLANKETS FOR THE HOMELESS

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You all have more old t-shirts than you can ever use. Try cleaning out those drawers and closets and use your t-shirts to make blankets for the homeless. • CS, E&E

Texas High School

WHY A PANTRY ON YOUR CAMPUS IS A GREAT IDEA!

Susan Waldrep • waldreps@txkisd.net

In order to make sure that our students had their basic needs met, our council teamed with other clubs and admin to create Tiger Pantry. Learn the step-by-step process for creating food equality at your school. • CS, P&P, DASH

Texas High School

SOCK HOP FOR SUDAN

Susan Waldrep • waldreps@txkisd.net

Want a fun project that will fund a global project? Try selling socks! This project was led by our 9th and 10th grade students and raised over \$2000. We sold "Texas" themed socks. The price of admission to the dance was wearing a pair of the socks we sold or paying \$5 at the door. All the food and games were free, and this turned out to be a great event. Learn the step-by-step process of hosting a Sock Hop Party! • P&P, CS

Tomball Memorial High School

THINK PINK AND MORE!

Irma Sibert • irmasibert@tomballisd.net

Looking for ways to support the fight against cancer? Get tons of ideas for this all-in-one project that can directly impact the people in your community. Find out how you can Think Pink and More! • CS

Vista Ridge High School

BUCKLE UP... SAVE A PEER!

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Do you want an excuse to have students play a VR video game during their lunchtime and conduct several DASH projects that are effective without a financial burden? Come to our Table Talk to learn how to partner with a TASC approved organization - Teens In the Drivers Seat (TDS). TDS sent us a box full of merchandise and supplies for awareness activities, including posters, T-shirts, stationery items, and pledges. Our project was extremely impactful proven by both the response from the student body as well as the quantifiable results from the pre- and post-observations, indicating that we were successful in raising awareness about safe driving! P&P, DASH

Waller High School

MINI-MENTAL WELLNESS EVENTS

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We will share various ideas for day long projects revolving around mental health and wellness. These projects are cost-effective, easily adaptable to any school, and allow your entire council to get involved. Join us to learn about Make a Difference Day, How Are You Day, Mental Health Awareness Day, and Color for Stress Relief Day. • DASH, P&P

White Oak High School

HALE NO TO CANCER

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We set out to build awareness about cancer and raise funds to help an administrator battling Stage 4 Mesothelioma. We sold t-shirts, had a coin war at our elementary, held a community prayer meeting and teamed up with Bubba 's 33 Restaurant. We raised over \$10,000 for Mr. Hale in our small community. • DASH, CS, P&P
