

To the Furthest Horizons  
Be Bold, Think Big, Go Beyond



**2024 ADVISOR WORKSHOP**  
SEPTEMBER 15-16, 2024  
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# Welcome

Welcome to the 2024 Texas Student Council and Honor Society Advisor Workshop sponsored by the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals (TASSP) and Texas Association of Student Councils (TASC). Student Council and Honor Society complement and support each other at the campus level, as well as share many common student members. Therefore, this workshop is designed to provide training experiences in areas that are specific to each and common to both sets of advisors.

TASSP/TASC is excited and proud to host this event and welcome exemplary educators to Austin for a weekend of motivation, inspiration and education. The program was carefully designed to offer a dynamic combination of peer and professional presenters who will be a great resource for student council and honor society advisors in Texas.

TASSP/TASC staff is here to help you make the most of your workshop experience. If you need anything, don't hesitate to ask. Partner organizations and exhibitors that support the goals and purposes of these student groups are also in attendance to distribute information, and the TASC student leadership store is stocked with great materials available for purchase. The bookstore will be open on Sunday (8:00a - 3:30p) and Monday (8:30a - 11:00a).

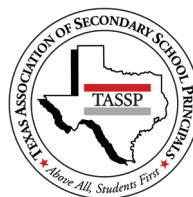
The TASSP motto is "Above All, Students First." We believe that when student councils and honor societies collaborate effectively on campus and when advisors receive meaningful training, students are best served in Texas schools. It is our hope that this workshop will provide you with the experiences necessary to lead these exemplary students in your schools. Best wishes for a great workshop.



Archie E. McAfee  
TASSP/TASC Executive Director



Patty Wangler  
TASC Director



# Workshop Schedule

Sunday, September 15

**REGISTRATION** | Bergstrom Ballroom Pre-function..... 8:00a - 3:30p

**EXHIBITS AND LEADERSHIP STORE** | Bergstrom Ballroom Pre-function.... 8:00a - 3:30p

**OPENING GENERAL SESSION** | Bergstrom Ballroom ..... 9:00a - 10:15a



## **PHIL BOYTE | SCHOOL CULTURE BY DESIGN**

Phil Boyte believes we are BETTER TOGETHER and that is why for the past forty years, he has worked with thousands of educators to connect their excellent academics with dynamic school culture. With the last few years feeling exhausting for everyone, this SCHOOL CULTURE BY DESIGN Keynote will help everyone see how they play a valuable role in building a sense of belonging for both staff and students. Phil will share ideas on how to build relationships and trust with a PEOPLE FIRST approach and encourage each person to use TINY MOMENTS to cultivate a place wherever can thrive. This keynote is an incredibly dynamic experience for all attendees providing inspiration and practical ways to re-energize their school culture.

**TASC AND HONOR SOCIETY DISTRICT MEETINGS** ..... 10:20a - 10:50a

### **StuCo & Honor Society - Districts for TASC, National Updates for NHS**

#### **Lower Level**

##### **Room**

Chennault

Del Valle

##### **Districts**

3 HS, 3 ML, and 3 HS/ML

9, 713 HS, 713ML, and 713 HS/ML

#### **Main Level**

##### **Room**

Longhorn

Wildflower

Mountain Laurel

Red Bud

Lantana

Violet Crown

Live Oak

##### **Districts**

10, 11, 15, 16

8, 17

1, 2, 5, 6, 12

14

18

4, 19, 419

NHS and NJHS

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SET 1** (See page 4)..... 11:00a - 11:45a

In Breakout Sessions, advisors may choose the specific session that applies to their role and experience level.

See page 4 for session descriptions and locations.

**LUNCHEON AND AWARDS** | Bergstrom Ballroom ..... 12:00p - 1:15p

Take some time to relax and reconnect. TASC will present the Pat Kirschner Award to Bettye Turney

and the Texas Star Award to Tommy Calais during this time.

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SET 2** (See page 5)..... 1:25p - 2:10p

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SET 3** (See page 6)..... 2:25p - 3:05p

**SOCIAL / BREAK** - Bergstrom Ballroom Pre-function..... 3:05p - 3:30p

Let's relax for just a moment.

**TABLE TALKS** | Bergstrom Ballroom (See handout) ..... 3:40p - 5:15p

It's time to gather new ideas and share your knowledge as well. We will have four rounds

of 15 minute Table Shares.

**SOCIAL / RECEPTION** | Austin Hilton Airport Hotel Atrium ..... 5:30p

TASC will provide hors d'oeuvres for attendees in the Atrium. Please join us to continue the conversation

about student leadership and to build that network of support essential to us all - or just join us to relax

and have a good time.

# Workshop Schedule

Monday, September 16

**INFO, EXHIBITS & LEADERSHIP STORE** | Bergstrom BR Pre-function .....8:30a - 11:00a

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SET 4** (See page 7 or app) ..... 9:00a - 9:45a

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SET 5** (See page 8 or app) .....9:55a - 10:35a

**CLOSING GENERAL SESSION** | Bergstrom BR (Door prizes awarded)..10:45a - 11:55p



## JASON QUEEN

Drawing from his personal journey and professional experience, Jason offers practical insights and actionable strategies that inspire positive change. As a Student Leadership and Retention Specialist, Motivational Speaker & Educational Consultant, Jason has spent over 20 years working closely with students and those who lead them, understanding the unique challenges they face. His dynamic presentations blend storytelling with evidence-based practices, leaving audiences motivated and equipped with tools to make a tangible difference.

## PLEASE REMEMBER:

- Look for the Advisor Workshop Evaluation which will be sent via e-mail. We value your opinion and comments.
- TASC members, pick up your TASC District ribbon at the TASC booth. Stop by to ask questions!
- Continuing Professional Education forms are posted on the TASC Advisor Workshop webpage.
- Handouts, PowerPoints, etc., from presentations will be sent and posted on the event webpage.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

### MIDDLE LEVEL STATE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Nov. 3-4, 2024 (Mon/Tue) • Waco Convention Center

### ADVANCED LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS

Jan. 25-27, 2025 Lakeview | Feb. 7-9, 2025 Mo-Ranch

### HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL CONFERENCE

March 29-31, 2025 (Sat-Mon) • Loews Arlington Convention Center

### SUMMER LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS

June & July 2025 • Various Colleges in Texas

### DISTRICT LEVEL MEETINGS AND TRAININGS

Fall 2024 & Spring 2025 • Various Locations in TX

### STUDENT LEADERSHIP CLASS CURRICULUM ACADEMY

Summer 2025 • Location and Date TBD

### REGIONAL / NATIONAL EVENTS

Southern Association of StuCo: Oct. 26-28, 2024 in Lake Buena Vista, FL  
National Conference on Student Activities: Dec. 6-8, 2024 in Memphis, TN

# Sunday, September 15

## BREAKOUT SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

### SET 1 • 11:00a - 11:45a

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Advisors may select one of the sessions in each set. Read about the speakers on pages 9-11.

**Kristi West and Jennifer Nguyen** .....CHENNAULT (Lower Level)

#### **New High School and Middle Level Advisors: PART 1**

Join us to cover the basics StuCo advisors need to build a strong program. Topics include constitutions, elections, officer roles, managing a council, and project ideas to make your council effective and successful. (For New StuCo)

**Phil Boyte** .....DEL VALLE (Lower Level)

#### **(RE)Designing Campus Culture**

Phil believes every person on campus has a role in designing campus culture, but he also knows that leaders have a special role to empower and lead their people with a PEOPLE FIRST mindset. During this workshop, Phil will share from his experience how to create a sense of belonging and trust for the entire team and share practical ideas on how to infuse culture into what is already happening in a typical school calendar (staff meetings, communications, on-boarding, and celebrations). This workshop will be inspiring, practical, and leave leaders with clear ideas for moving forward. (For All)

**Elanca Felder, NHS/NJHS**.....LIVE OAK (Main Level)

#### **Honor Society Basic Necessities**

Geared towards new advisers, this session will provide an overview of basic chapter management requirements for all chapters. Experienced advisers in need of a refresher are welcome as well. (For NHS/NJHS)

**Brent Camalich, Dude. Be Nice.** ..... LONGHORN (Main Level)

#### **Celebrate Kindness on Campus**

The CEO of dude. be nice will share his experiences in going “viral” and inspire you and your students to shine the light on people for their “kindness,” not necessarily their “coolness.” (For All)

**Assunta C. Burnside, Harold T. Branch Academy** ..... WILDFLOWER (Main Level)

#### **Using the SayWhat! Program on Your Campus**

Provide attendees with tangible, easy ways to implement the free resources from TXXayWhat.com on their campus. I will show some of projects that my HTB Strikers and StuCo have used in the past and plan to use this year. (For All)

**Raegan Bell, DKMS** ..... RED BUD (Main Level)

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**Steve Amos, HealthCode**.....LANTANA (Main Level)

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**Chase Livingston, Chase Livingston, LLC**..... VIOLET CROWN (Main Level)

#### **It's Fine, Everything is Fine: Stress Management for Stretched Educators**

There's no escaping it, in the world of education, stress is inevitable. While its true stress can stretch us, it doesn't have to strain us. With effective stress management, we can keep a level head and prevent ourselves from overheating. This hands-on workshop introduces practical stress management tools to help you keep your cool all school year long. (For All)

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**Antoinette Hernandez, Incarnate Word Academy** .....DEL VALLE (Lower Level)

#### **24 State Service Project**

*Love is the Light on the Horizon* is this year's TASC State Project that began as a campaign platform and was chosen and shaped by leaders from around the state at our state steering committee retreat and through our student state board members. We will go through resources, ideas, and steps to make the most impact with the state service project to help grow, educate, and advocate for healthy relationships in your school and community. (For StuCo)

**Elancia Felder, NHS/NJHS**.....LIVE OAK (Main Level)

#### **Honor Society Selection Procedures (NHS and NJHS)**

(For all honor society advisors) This session will cover the selection policies and procedures for National Honor Society and National Junior Honor Society chapters. (For NHS/NJHS)

**Rita Clawson, Ore City High** ..... LONGHORN (Main Level)

#### **Movie Monday**

More clips to lead discussion. If you came to this one last year, this year will have new video samples and more ways to discuss in your classes or meetings. Movie Monday is a great way to start off your week!

(For Veteran StuCo+Leadersip)

**Jaime Burke Hicks, UT at Tyler Univ. Academy at Longview** .... WILDFLOWER (Main Level)

#### **Thinking StuCo Strategically**

Train your brain to think about your projects to get more out of each project. Projects can count for more than one reporting category, so make sure you are getting the most out of each project you do. (For StuCo)

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**Jason Jedamski, Ignite2Unite**..... VIOLET CROWN (Main Level)

#### **The Nation's Most Spirited High School (Really)**

This fast-paced session will share how the largest high school in Oklahoma went from 28 students at a home football game to winning Varsity Brands Most Spirited High School award. Hint: It's what you practice, permit, and promote! (For All)

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## BREAKOUT SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

### SET 3 • 2:25p - 3:05p

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**Jason Queen.....CHENNAULT** *(Lower Level)*

#### **Transformative Beliefs: Empowering Educators for Student Success and Personal Well-Being**

Join us for an inspiring and transformative workshop designed for dedicated educators and advisors. This session focuses on enhancing your ability to show up powerfully in every educational setting. Jason will provide you with the tools to set your students up for success while maintaining your own mental health, joy, and passion for teaching. **(For All)**

**Cheryl Royal, Bridge City High School .....DEL VALLE** *(Lower Level)*

#### **Games StuCo Play 2.0**

It was so much fun-let's do it again! Play is the key word - this isn't a sit and get - this is a play and get. Walk away with games you can implement tomorrow to connect your students and school and maybe just accidentally have a good time. Disclaimer: Games are not original - the tweaks may be:) but are pulled from some of the best of the best. **(For StuCo)**

**Elancia Felder, NHS/NJHS.....LIVE OAK** *(Main Level)*

#### **NHS Discipline and Dismissal Policies**

In this session, we will cover the proper procedures for addressing student membership issues in NHS and NJHS. **(For NHS/NJHS)**

**Jasmine Johnson and Krissy Tatum..... LONGHORN** *(Main Level)*

#### **Who's Running your ML Council?**

Join the StuCo Advisors from Marshall Jr. HS as we show you to get your Middle Level students to take ownership and pride in your council. We will give you ideas to get your students energized and excited to lead. **(For StuCo)**

**Katie D. Keyes, Boswell High School ..... WILDFLOWER** *(Main Level)*

#### **All Aboard: How to Train Leaders to Lead**

Conductors, how do you prepare your student leaders to lead and serve throughout the year? Come to this workshop to actively engage and ride away with multiple ways to help train both your elected and non-elected leaders to take ownership of their organization and lead. From building relationships and training officers to onboarding every member of your council, you will be prepared in this workshop to help your students make a positive impact on their school and community. When leaders are prepared for the journey of leadership, everyone is able to enjoy the ride...even when the train goes off the rails! **(For All)**

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**Ana O Player, Sylvia McMinn and James Brown, D9 ..... VIOLET CROWN** *(Main Level)*

#### **Ways to Strengthen your District**

District IX Officers will be presenting ideas they use to help foster relationships across the region. **(For StuCo)**

# Monday, September 16

## BREAKOUT SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

### SET 4 • 9:00a - 9:45a

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**Jason Jedamski, Ignite2Unite.....CHENNAULT** *(Lower Level)*

#### **School Connectedness: Igniting Students to Unite Your Campus**

This action-packed session will explore how to create a series of moments that give your campus momentum while creating student to student and student to school connections. *(For All)*

**Jason Queen..... DEL VALLE** *(Lower Level)*

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**Jaime Burke Hicks, UT at Tyler Univ. Academy at Longview .....LIVE OAK** *(Main Level)*

#### **Sharing the Heart of Community Service**

Let's talk about your students' heart for community service and share some great service ideas. Come listen, learn, and share! *(For All)*

**Sylvia C McMinn, Bel Air High School ..... LONGHORN** *(Main Level)*

#### **Getting Your StuCo Ducks in a Row**

Congratulations! You had elections! Now what?! This presentation goes over what we do after elections and how we set the foundation to ensure a smooth year. *(For StuCo)*

**Tim Watson, Rockwall High School ..... WILDFLOWER** *(Main Level)*

#### **Automating and Organizing Sweepstakes**

Don't spend extra time this year stressing about project planning, report form completion, and earning sweepstakes. Hear and share tips and tricks to automate and organize your year. Equally beneficial for first-year and veteran advisors. *(For StuCo)*

**Aaron Kerss, Livingston High School .....LANTANA** *(Main Level)*

#### **District Board. Yes You Can!**

It's time to take your council's leadership development to the next level. Come explore how serving on your district board can help you become a better advisor and help your students become better leaders. I'll share my council's journey since we first began serving in District 17 and provide you with the support and confidence you need to make your district the best in TASC. *(For StuCo)*

**Vicki Long, Deweyville Jr/Sr High School ..... MOUNTAIN LAUREL** *(Main Level)*

#### **Nuts and Bolts for New Stu Co Advisors**

Brand new and not sure what to do? Come get some much needed information and clarification on how to stay sane and have a successful year. *(For New StuCo)*

**Kat Pastor, Character Strong ..... VIOLET CROWN** *(Main Level)*

#### **Weaving Social and Emotional Learning into the Daily Fabric of Student Leadership**

Discover 5 practical strategies to weave social-emotional learning into daily activities. Practice relational techniques for classrooms, small groups, and staff meetings to enhance engagement, classroom management, student connection, and mental wellness with your student leaders. *(For All)*

**NETWORKING AND PROCESSING ROOM ..... RED BUD** *(Main Level)*



# Monday, September 16

## BREAKOUT SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

### SET 5 • 9:55a - 10:35a

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**Susan Waldrep and Cheryl Royal**.....**CHENNAULT** *(Lower Level)*

#### **Who Needs a Pep Talk?**

Brand New Advisor-Veteran or Somewhere in between- if you need a pep talk this session is for you! Join Susan Waldrep, Texas High and Cheryl Royal, Bridge City HS as we collaborate, plan, play and pursue our passion. Come join the party! Laughs guaranteed. *(For StuCo)*

**Chase Livingston, Chase Livingston, LLC**.....**DEL VALLE** *(Lower Level)*

#### **Intentional Leaders: It Starts With ME**

We all aspire for our students to thrive and succeed. Yet, how can we guide them effectively if we are not at our best? In this empowering workshop, you will gain the tools and insights to lead by example and make an impact in the lives of our students and beyond. *(For All)*

**Tiffany Brandenburg, UT at Tyler Univ. Academy at Longview**....**LIVE OAK** *(Main Level)*

#### **NHS Idea Share**

Come share and learn some awesome ideas for NHS! Everyone has something to share and to learn here! Let's work together and help each other build stronger Honor Societies. *(For NHS/NJHS)*

**Lianna Gantz, Central High School** ..... **LONGHORN** *(Main Level)*

#### **Too Many Tabs!**

We love what we do and we love our kids! Sometimes though, we have too many StuCo tabs open (along with our real job!) and need to figure out how to step back and close a few of those tabs to maintain our sanity. Let's talk about what we can focus on to help ourselves out. *(For StuCo)*

**Courtney Thomas, Royal Junior High School** ..... **WILDFLOWER** *(Main Level)*

#### **Productive Meetings**

Want to have 100% participation student led meetings? Want meetings to be productive all the while still instilling activities that will help grow your councils leadership qualities? Stop by this breakout session and grab games, activities, and lessons to take back home increase your councils overall support on campus. *(For StuCo)*

**Jasmine Johnson, Marshall Jr. High** ..... **LANTANA** *(Main Level)*

#### **We're Hosting, So Can You!**

Marshall Junior High is the 2024 Middle Level Conference Coordinator School. Allow us to show you how we are able to host the Middle Level Conference, so that your council can be the next Middle Level Conference Coordinator. *(For StuCo)*

**Kat Pastor, Character Strong** ..... **VIOLET CROWN** *(Main Level)*

#### **Creating a Culture of Clarity, Competence, and Consistency**

What does it take to create an intentional school culture and climate where people want to show up everyday vs feel like they have to show up? The culture of your school isn't the sole responsibility of the building principal or the leadership program. How do we get staff to buy in and engage? How do we encourage every student to be a leader and be connected to the school community? In this interactive and resource-packed session, you will learn a framework for powerful culture change and will walk away with low-burden, high-impact strategies and tools to make an impact right now. *(For All)*

**NETWORKING AND PROCESSING ROOM** ..... **RED BUD** *(Main Level)*

## Workshop Speakers



**Phil Boyte** | Phil Boyte has traveled the continent for over 35 years working with educators in thousands of schools to transform school culture. He believes in the power of sharing our stories in order to build relationships and trust so everyone can say: I belong here, I am safe here, I can learn and grow here. He is the founder of Learning for Living and the creator of nationally known programs including, Link Crew, WEB, and Breaking Down the Walls. Phil authored the book, "School Culture By Design," and is host of the "School Culture By Design" Podcast. Most recently, Phil launched People First Administrators Training. Phil brings a dynamic and relationship-centric approach to programs to encourage engagement and inspire belonging!



**Jason Queen** | Coming up, Jason experienced a lot of academic, family, and social challenges. All of that led to failing classes, fighting, being labeled, drug and alcohol abuse, foster homes and being placed in programs. During his sessions, he shares what changed his life, and how students can move forward too. Incorporating many of the same beliefs and principles that helped him, Jason has gone on to inspire thousands of other students with his message. Jason's passion and life's work has been to help students and teachers become the best version of themselves.



**Steve Amos, HealthCode** | Steve is a social entrepreneur with 35+ years in technology, US/Global marketing, advertising, education, healthcare, and nonprofits. In 2009, Steve founded the nonprofit HealthCode, whose mission is to empower people to live healthier, happier lives. Included as a "Shapers of the Future" in 2002 by "Converge" and a Health Tech Austin 2020 Health Care Hero Innovator Finalist. Serves on the SXSU and SXSU Edu Advisory Boards. [Steve@HealthCode.org](mailto:Steve@HealthCode.org) or 512 970 7443



**Raegan Bell, DKMS** | Raegan was inspired to join the National Bone Marrow Registry and 2 years later donated Bone Marrow to a newborn baby girl to save her life. For 9 years, she was an avid volunteer and now works for DKMS spending her time recruiting new donors to save the lives of patients in need. [raegan@dkms.org](mailto:raegan@dkms.org)



**Tiffany Brandenburg, University of Texas at Tyler University Academy at Longview** | Tiffany Brandenburg is the lead National Honor Society and Student Council Co-Advisor at the University of Texas at Tyler University Academy at Longview. She has been involved with the student council and NHS for three years on the UA Longview campus and is the leader of the Culture team on campus.



**James Brown, Pebble Hills High School** | James Brown currently serves TASC as an elected advisor on the board. He has been an advisor with TASC D9 for 12 years. An avid game fan, leader, and participant, his unique perspective brings the fun with his TASC involvement.



**Jaime W. Burke Hicks, University of Texas at Tyler University Academy at Longview** | Jaime Burke Hicks "Bricks" is a NHS, middle-level StuCo, and high-school StuCo advisor. She has been a student council advisor for over 15 years, she was the 2022 TASC Middle-Level Advisor of the Year, and the 2023 NatStuCo Advisor of the Year. [jburke-hicks@uttia.org](mailto:jburke-hicks@uttia.org)



**Assunta C. Burnside, Harold T. Branch Academy** | Mrs. Burnside has been a science educator for over 18 years and a StuCo advisor for over 10 years. In her free time, she enjoys the beach, cooking, and spending time with her husband, Job. You can reach her at [assunta.burnside@ccisd.us](mailto:assunta.burnside@ccisd.us).



**Rita Clawson, Ore City High** | Teacher for 30 years, advisor for 23. Rita currently serves TASC as an elected advisor on the board. Rita loves to learn and find ways to make leading not only rewarding but fun. Connect with her: [clawsonr@ocisd.net](mailto:clawsonr@ocisd.net).

## Workshop Speakers

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**Elancia Felder** | Elancia Felder is the Senior Program Manager, Leading & Learning Division and of Honor Society Policies and Procedures with NASSP and a frequent presenter regarding honor societies. [feldere@nassp.org](mailto:feldere@nassp.org)



**Lianna Gantz, Central High School** | Lianna is starting year 21 in education and year 20 in StuCo! She has served multiple years on both the district and state levels of TASC and currently serves as a Summer Leadership Workshop Director and district coordinator. [lianna.gantz@kellerisd.net](mailto:lianna.gantz@kellerisd.net)



**Antoinette Hernandez, Incarnate Word Academy** | Antoinette Hernandez is the Student Council Advisor and Activities Director at Incarnate Word Academy. She also serves as a Co-Coordinator for D713, a TASC Student Leadership Class instructor, and is a former TASC HS Advisor of the Year. [ahernandez@incarnateword.org](mailto:ahernandez@incarnateword.org)



**Jason Jedamski, Ignite2Unite** | Jason Jedamski is a former teacher, coach, assistant principal, principal, activities director and school culture coach who led a school culture turnaround at Broken Arrow High School (OK) that resulted in winning the Varsity Brands Nation's Most Spirited High School award. Jason is the founder of Ignite2Unite, which provides partnerships and programs that help schools thrive. You can contact Jason at [jason@ignite2unite.com](mailto:jason@ignite2unite.com) or call 918-760-7787



**Jasmine Johnson, Marshall Jr. High** | Jasmine Johnson is a 17 year TASC Middle Level Advisor. She was the 2019 Eddie G. Bull State Advisor of the Year for Middle Level. She is a former TASC Elected Advisor to the Board and the 2017 Middle Level Conference Coordinator School Advisor. She is the 2024 Middle Level Conference Coordinator School Advisor. [johnsonjl@marshallisd.com](mailto:johnsonjl@marshallisd.com)



**Aaron Kerss, Livingston High School** | Aaron Kerss is the Student Council Advisor at Livingston High School. He is a former TASC board member and currently serves as the advisor for the Vice President School of District 17.



**Katie D. Keyes, Boswell High School** | Katie Keyes is in her 27th year as a Chemistry Teacher and Student Council Advisor. She has served multiple years on both the district and state levels of TASC and as a Summer Leadership Workshop Consultant since 2006. Katie also serves as one of the Southern Representatives on the board of the National Association for Student Activities.



**Chase Livingston, Chase Livingston, LLC** | Chase Livingston is a Health and Wellness Professional, Keynote Speaker, and Behavior Change Specialist. He is president of High Powered Nonprofit 501c3, a two-time author, and frequent student workshop presenter. [chase@chaseinspires.com](mailto:chase@chaseinspires.com).



**Vicki Long, Deweyville Jr/Sr High School** | Vicki is starting her 34th year of doing this. She can't imagine NOT doing it. Vicki serves TASC as a Summer Leadership Workshop Director, and serves in her District. On a personal note she's been married 31 years, has one daughter, and 2 perfect grand babies. [Vlong@deweyvilleisd.com](mailto:Vlong@deweyvilleisd.com)



**Sylvia C McMinn, Bel Air High School** | Sylvia has been an advisor and Student Activities Director for 13 years at Bel Air High School. Please reach out to her at [smcminn@yisd.net](mailto:smcminn@yisd.net) if you have questions about her presentation or need any help!

## Workshop Speakers

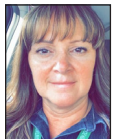
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**Jennifer Nguyen, Arlington High School** | She was recently named the High School Eddie G. Bull Advisor of the year for 2024. She currently also serves TASC as a Summer Leadership Workshop Consultant. She has been an advisor with TASC 13 years.



**Katherine Pastor, Character Strong** | Kat is the Executive Director of School Support, and has passionately served as a student and educator advocate for over 20 years in the roles of coach, student council advisor, school counselor at the secondary level and financial aid counselor/coordinator of student employment and adjunct professor at the post-secondary level.



**Ana O. Player, Montwood HS** | Ana Player is the Student Activities Director at Montwood High School in El Paso. She is currently the Coordinator for District 9. She has been a long-time TASC member and has held many positions of leadership at the state and district levels. [aplayer@sisd.net](mailto:aplayer@sisd.net)



**Cheryl Royal, Bridge City High School** | Cheryl Royal is starting her 17th year as Student Council Advisor at Bridge City HS. She is the proud advisor of our current State Secretary School and a 2023 Eddie G Bull Advisor of the Year recipient.



**Krissy Tatum, Marshall Jr. High** | Krissy Tatum is the 6th grade Keyboarding teacher and Yearbook sponsor at Marshall Junior High School. She is starting her third year StuCo Co-Advisor and is the 2024 Middle Level Conference Coordinator School Co-Advisor. [tatumkk@marshallisd.com](mailto:tatumkk@marshallisd.com)



**Christy Thomas, Teens in the Driver Seat / Texas A&M Transportation Institute** | Christy Thomas has been a part of the Teens in the Driver Seat team since 2011 and loves working with school teams to help them create safer passengers and drivers on their campuses. If you are interested in creating a culture change on your campus, contact her at [c-thomas@tti.tamu.edu](mailto:c-thomas@tti.tamu.edu).



**Courtney Thomas, Royal Junior High School** | Courtney Thomas, current advisor for his former grade school district, Royal ISD, is a former coach and business owner who collaborates and brings various experiences to TASC. Email [cthomas@royal-isd.net](mailto:cthomas@royal-isd.net)



**Susan Waldrep, Texas High School** | Susan Waldrep has 27 years of Student Council experience and is a StuCo icon. She won the National Advisor of the Year in 2018 and the Eddie G Bull Advisor of the Year in 2016 and is a party always waiting to happen.



**Tim Watson, Rockwall High School** | Tim Watson is starting his 4th year as advisor of Rockwall High School. In that time Rockwall High School has won TASC Sweepstakes and NatStuCo Gold Council of Excellence 3 years in a row, served as 23-24 District 3 Recording Secretary, 24-25 TASC Vice President, and will be the 25-26 Annual Conference Host.



**Kristi West, Hardin Jefferson High School** | Kristi West serves a the Student Council Advisor and Student Activities Director at Hardin Jefferson HS. She is also a TASC Summer Leadership Workshop Director, a former TASC board member, a former TASC HS Advisor of the Year, and a former National HS Advisor of the Year. [kristiwest@hjsd.net](mailto:kristiwest@hjsd.net)

## Exhibitors

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Educational Travel



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Healthy games with HealthCode



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## Texas Star Award

Established in 2000, this award was presented to exceptional advisors who served TASC for 30 years or more. In 2019, the Award is now presented by Board directive to TASC advisors, staff, or alumni who have given exceptional service or brought exceptional recognition to TASC.  
*They are the heroes and legends of TASC!*

2024.....	Tommy Calais, St. Agnes Academy, Houston
2023.....	Terry Hamm, TASC Director
2022.....	Eddie G. Bull, TASC Director; Jean Wyatt, Lake Highlands JHS; Kay Baker, LD Bell HS; and JJ Colburn, TASC Director
2014.....	Jerry de la Garza, Memorial HS
2010.....	Pat Finch, Boswell HS
2009.....	Laura Price, Montwood HS
2008.....	Jimmy Chapman, Henderson HS
2008.....	Calvin Buchholtz, Jay HS, San Antonio
2005.....	Anne Newman, Marshall HS
2004.....	Rodney Love, Linden-Kildare HS
2002.....	Carolyn Baron, Edna HS
2001.....	Brenda Gilmore, Arlington HS
2000.....	Dwight Mutschler, Austwell-Tivoli HS

## The Pat M. Kirschner Award

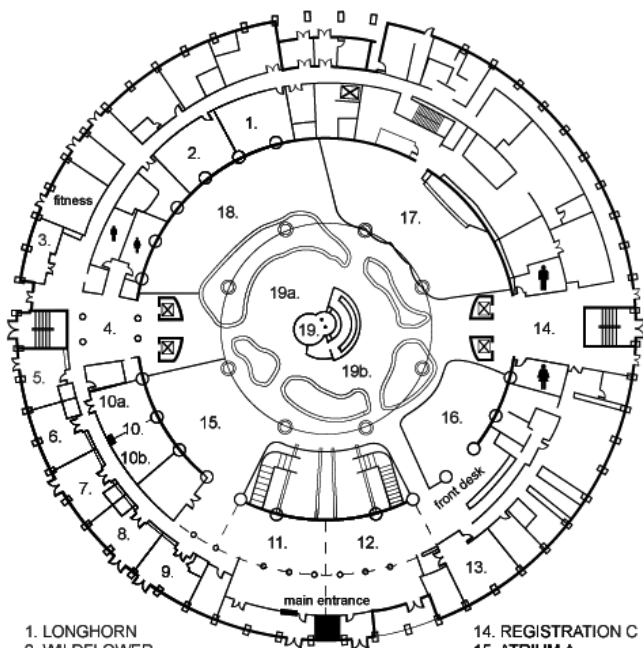
The TASC Board of Directors created this award in 1987 to recognize outstanding contributions to the TASC Summer Leadership Workshop Program. In order to be nominated, the recipient must have served for ten or more years as a Summer Workshop Director or Consultant. The Board must vote to present the award. The following advisors have received the Pat M. Kirschner award.

2024.....	Bettye Turney, Rusk HS, Director
2021.....	Mary Whittenberg, Northwest HS, Consultant; David Womack, Duncanville HS, Director
2019.....	Pat Finch, Boswell HS, Director
2018.....	Calvin Buchholtz, John Jay HS, Director
2015.....	Laura Price, Montwood HS; Tina Sarratt, Frenship HS; & Debby Tabor, Lubbock Cooper HS, Consultants
2014.....	Brenda Gilmore, Arlington HS, Consultant
2014.....	Sharion Richardson, Big Spring HS, Director
2013.....	Kay Baker, L.D. Bell High School, Director
2012.....	Sharon Solanik, Marshall HS, Consultant
2011.....	Jimmy Chapman, Henderson HS, Director
2010.....	Deborah Alford, Humble HS, Director
2009.....	Terry Hamm, Bastrop HS, Consultant
2008.....	Jim Beam, Fort Bend ISD, 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 Junior HS, 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

## Scholarship Fund

TASC accepts donations to the TASC Scholarship Funds year-round. Those monies will, depending on designation by the donor, be used for the TASC Senior Scholarship Fund, or for the TASC Summer Leadership Workshop Scholarship Fund. Those wishing to donate may access the Donation Link under the Support Us Tab on the TASC website ([www.tasconline.org](http://www.tasconline.org)).

## HILTON AUSTIN AIRPORT - MAIN LEVEL

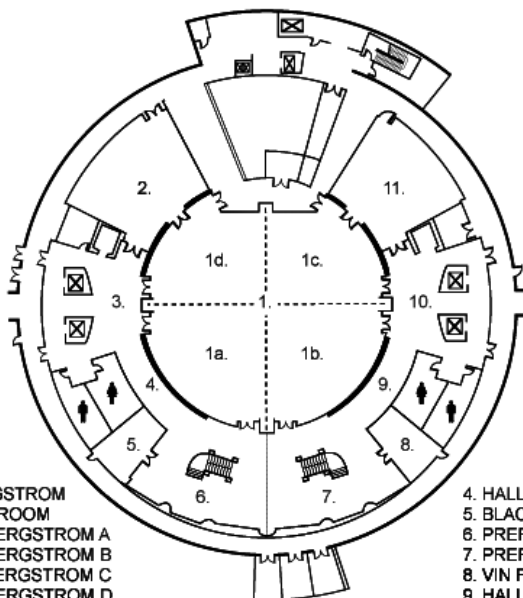


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2. WILDFLOWER
3. BLUEBONNET
4. REGISTRATION D
5. WINE CUP
6. RED BUD
7. LANTANA
8. MOUNTAIN LAUREL
9. GOLDENROD

10. VIOLET CROWN
- 10a. VIOLET CROWN I
- 10b. VIOLET CROWN II
11. REGISTRATION A
12. REGISTRATION B
13. LIVE OAK

14. REGISTRATION C
15. ATRIUM A
16. ATRIUM B
17. ATRIUM C / CREEKS RESTAURANT
18. ATRIUM D
19. REGISTRATION E
- 19a. STARBUCKS
- 19b. LOUNGE

## HILTON AUSTIN AIRPORT - LOWER LEVEL



1. BERGSTROM BALLROOM
- 1a. BERGSTROM A
- 1b. BERGSTROM B
- 1c. BERGSTROM C
- 1d. BERGSTROM D
2. CHENNAULT
3. PREFUNCTION D

4. HALLWAY A
5. BLACKBIRDS
6. PREFUNCTION A
7. PREFUNCTION B
8. VIN FIZ
9. HALLWAY B
10. PREFUNCTION C
11. DEL VALLE

**TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS  
TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT COUNCILS**



**Sunday, September 15**

- REGISTRATION** | Bergstrom Ballroom Pre-function ..... 8:00a - 3:30p
- EXHIBITS AND LEADERSHIP STORE** | Bergstrom Ballroom Pre-function .. 8:00a - 3:30p
- OPENING GENERAL SESSION** | Bergstrom Ballroom ..... 9:00a - 10:15a
- TASC AND HONOR SOCIETY DISTRICT MEETINGS** (See page 2) ..... 10:20a - 10:50a
- BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SET 1** (See page 4)..... 11:00a - 11:45a
- LUNCHEON AND TEXAS STAR AWARD** | Bergstrom Ballroom ..... 12:00p - 1:15p
- BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SET 2** (See page 5)..... 1:25p - 2:10p
- BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SET 3** (See page 6)..... 2:25p - 3:05p
- SOCIAL / BREAK** - Bergstrom Ballroom Pre-function..... 3:05p - 3:30p
- TABLE TALKS** | Bergstrom Ballroom (See handout) ..... 3:40p - 5:15p
- SOCIAL / RECEPTION** | Austin Hilton Airport Hotel Atrium ..... 5:30p

**Monday, September 16**

- INFO, EXHIBITS & LEADERSHIP STORE** | Bergstrom Pre-function ..... 8:30a - 11:00a
- BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SET 4** (See page 7)..... 9:00a - 9:45a
- BREAKOUT SESSIONS - SET 5** (See page 8)..... 9:55a - 10:35a
- CLOSING GENERAL SESSION** | Bergstrom BR (Door prizes awarded) ... 10:45a - 11:55p

**Thank you for attending!**



**WELCOME!**

**If you see a star on a name badge, please welcome and offer help to the new advisor.**