



When Strong Student Activities are Established, Achievement Follows!

TASC MIDDLE LEVEL ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2025

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Nov. 17-18 (Mon-Tue) in Waco

REGISTER TODAY!! Early Bird: \$100 with a t-shirt by October 8th
\$115 without a t-shirt by November 17th

CHECK IT OUT!

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- Take a leadership team to the Middle-Level Annual Conference!
- Give your school the leadership edge while building a positive school climate and culture.



There is still time for recognition! Submit your application for Top Video or Top Project by October 8!

**DEAD
LINES**



Oct. 8	Deadline for Registration for ML Conference at Early Bird Pricing
Oct. 8	Deadline to Submit ML Discussion Group Topics
Oct. 8	Deadline to File for ML Elected Advisor to the Board & Apply to Coordinate the ML AC'26
Oct. 8	Deadline to Reserve Rooms at Group Rate for ML Conference
Oct. 8	Deadline to Submit Top Project and Top Video Applications for ML Recognition
Oct. 8	Deadline to Submit ML Advisor Service Pin/Retirement Information
Oct. 11-13	SASC Conference at Wade Hampton High School, Greenville, SC (not a TASC event)
Oct. 15	1st Semester New Advisor Training 7 pm CT on Zoom – Training 2
Nov. 1	Deadline to Submit ADVANCED JC Applications
Nov. 4	Prospective Candidates Meeting 7 pm CT on Zoom – for potential candidates for office
Nov. 5	1st Semester New Advisor Training 7 pm CT on Zoom – Training 3
Nov. 10	TASC Info Night for all Advisors and Students 7-8 pm CT on Zoom – Be Strong
Nov. 17	TASC Board of Directors Fall Meeting Mon.
Nov. 17-18	Middle Level Annual Conference – Waco Convention Center, Waco, TX Mon - Tues
Nov. 5	Deadline for Districts to Submit Nominations for ML/HS Advisor of the Year

Hey Stuls,

YOU ROCK!

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2025 Tentative Schedule

Monday, November 17, 2025

3:30 pm - 6:00 pm Registration/Bookstore/Exhibits/Activities
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm Dinner On Your Own
5:30 pm - 5:55 pm (Mandatory) Advisors' Meeting
6:00 pm - 7:45 pm Opening General Session
7:50 pm - 10:00 pm Evening Special Sessions Rotations

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

7:00 am - 8:25 am Breakfast and Hometown Council Meetings
8:00 am - 2:30 pm Registration / TASC Bookstore / Exhibits
8:30 am - 9:00 am Second General Session
9:15 am - 10:55 am Breakout Sessions/Advisor Sessions
11:00 am - 12:30 pm Closing General Session
12:30 pm - Lunch on your own or on your way home!

BIG DEADLINE ON OCTOBER 8!!!

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EARLY BIRD PRICING ENDS OCTOBER 8th!

TASC Block Rooms are available at the

[Hilton Waco Convention Center and Courtyard Hotel:](#)




- Enjoy motivational general sessions presented by nationally recognized speakers
- Learn in breakouts and discussion groups led by outstanding leaders and advisors from across Texas
- Join hundreds of middle-level leaders, network with other student council and NJHS advisors and students
- Learn about opportunities for community service and gain leadership resources
- Walk away with ideas for a successful year
- Participate in a Service Project
- Experience a taste of Summer Leadership Workshops
- **There is still time for recognition! Submit your application for Top Video or Top Project by October 8!**



ROCK AS A NEW ADVISOR!



JOIN US FOR A SEMESTER LONG MONTHLY
VIRTUAL TRAINING TO ASSIST YOU IN ROCKING
YOUR FIRST FEW YEARS



**NEW
ADVISOR
TRAINING
7 PM CT
(6 PM MT)**

1ST SEMESTER

SEPTEMBER 24
OCTOBER 15
NOVEMBER 5
DECEMBER 10

2ND SEMESTER

JANUARY 14
FEBRUARY 11
MARCH 4
APRIL 8



JOIN THE CLASS! GET CONNECTED! ROCK ON!

**SCAN THE CODE OR
CLICK THE LINK TO JOIN!**



PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES MEETINGS!

Dates 2025-2026-

- September 23
- November 4
- December 2
- January 13

**All meetings
7pm-8 pm CST**



[CLICK HERE!](#)

Purpose - To help! And to go over expectations, questions about running, and the requirements of a candidate and officer.



**For the advisor,
candidate, and anyone
interested in learning
more!**



COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED



<https://bit.ly/4576d5b>

General Committee Guidelines -

- Schools may not serve the same committee two years in a row.
- Schools may only serve on one committee.
- Conference committee members serving on committees at the conference as well as board members schools may not nominate or second candidates, and their students must decline to wear gear supporting any one candidate to avoid conflict of interest.



TASC INFO NIGHTS

All Advisors and Students are Invited!
7:00pm-8:00pm Central Time
Zoom links are on the linked spreadsheet.

Start Strong!

August 25th Our year at glance and yours! Projects you can do tomorrow.

Be Strong!

November 10th Advanced Workshops,
ALL State Applications, &
Holiday Ideas/Projects

Stay Strong!

January 12th All things Annual Conference,
appreciation projects, & more.

Finish Strong!

February 23rd Campus Elections,
projects to beat the spring blues, & year in
review.



CLICK HERE!



THE WHY -

THE STATE PROJECT, TASC ROCKS AGAINST HUNGER!, IS NEEDED BECAUSE:

- THROUGHOUT TEXAS, 1 IN EVERY 6 FAMILIES FACE FOOD INSECURITY (FEEDING TEXAS)
- IN TEXAS, 1 IN EVERY 4 CHILDREN GOES TO BED HUNGRY, WHICH IS OVER 2 MILLION CHILDREN EVERY DAY (FEEDING TEXAS)
- TEXAS HAS THE SECOND-HIGHEST FOOD INSECURITY POPULATION IN THE NATION (FEEDING TEXAS)
- 5.1 MILLION TEXANS ARE AT RISK FOR HUNGER (FEEDING TEXAS)
- WITHIN A YEAR, THE RATE OF FOOD INSECURITY IN TEXAS HAS RISEN FROM 16.4% TO 17.6% (FEEDING TEXAS)
- TEXAS HAS THE HIGHEST RATE OF SENIOR FOOD INSECURITY IN THE NATION, WITH 13.6% OF TEXAN SENIORS AT RISK FOR HUNGER (FEEDING TEXAS)
- MORE THAN 3.4 MILLION TEXANS RECEIVE SNAP BENEFITS (EVERY TEXAN)
- OVER 3 MILLION STUDENTS ARE ESTIMATED TO QUALIFY FOR FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE SCHOOL LUNCHES (STATISTA)
- OVER 2 MILLION INDIVIDUALS IN TEXAS EXPERIENCE LOW ACCESS TO HEALTHY FOOD SOURCES (UTHEALTH SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH)
- OVER 4 MILLION PEOPLE RECEIVE FOOD AND RESOURCES FROM THE FEEDING TEXAS NETWORK OF FOOD BANKS (FEEDING TEXAS)
- TEXAS FOOD BANKS ARE REPORTING SIGNIFICANT STRAIN AND FACING CHALLENGES TO PROVIDE ENOUGH RESOURCES TO THOSE WHO FACE FOOD INSECURITY (THE TEXAS TRIBUNE)

GOALS -

WE HOPE TO:

1. **SERVE** EACH AND EVERY COMMUNITY THAT FACES FOOD INSECURITY BY PROVIDING THE SUFFICIENT RESOURCES AND TIME.

A. IMPLEMENT STATE-WIDE SERVICE INITIATIVES AND PROJECTS THAT FOCUS ON POSITIVELY IMPACTING GROUPS THAT ARE AFFECTED BY FOOD SCARCITY. FOR INSTANCE:

I. ORGANIZED FOOD DRIVES

II. VOLUNTEER WORK/ SERVICE HOURS GAINED THROUGH COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

B. PARTNER AND SERVE WITH ENDORSED STATEWIDE ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT TEXAS TO PROVIDE SERVICE, TIME, AND EFFORT EFFICIENTLY.

2. **EDUCATE** OTHERS OF THE EFFECTS OF FOOD INSECURITY AND HOW IT CAN BE LIMITED OR REDUCED.

A. TEACH EVERYONE THE PHYSICAL, MENTAL, AND SOCIAL IMPACTS OF NOT RECEIVING A BALANCED DIET.

B. DISCUSS THE DIFFERENT WAYS YOU AND YOUR COUNCIL CAN HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY BY PROVIDING RESOURCES.

3. **ADVOCATE** FOR COMMUNITIES AND INDIVIDUALS BATTLING FOOD INSECURITY AND HELP THEM REGAIN STABILITY.

A. SUPPORT THOSE STRUGGLING TO OBTAIN NUTRITIOUS MEALS BY COLLECTING DONATIONS FOR AREAS IN NEED.

B. PROMOTE THE POSITIVE IMPACT FOOD DONATIONS CAN HAVE ON STRUGGLING INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITIES WHILE REDUCING THE STIGMA.

STATE REPORT GOALS -

STATE SERVICE PROJECT GOALS		
1	Number of projects designed to combat food insecurity or hunger in Texas.	1000
2	Number of community organizations partnered with at your school (food banks, food pantries, soup kitchens, etc.).	750
3	Number of service hours dedicated to projects that help serve, educate, and advocate for individuals on all things food insecurity.	75,000
4	Number of social media posts tagging @tasc_stuco and using #TASCFeedsTX, which will share resources, projects, and awareness related to the state service project.	1000
5	The dollar amount of goods and money donated to partnered local advocacy centers and shelters.	\$300,000
6	People reached through education efforts. This is considered by counting or measuring the number of people educated through programs/ organizations/ projects (ex., the number of attendees at a seminar, open house presentations, advisory lessons, and the number of people reached through social media).	300,000

PROJECT IDEAS - [CLICK HERE FOR THE CANVA](#)





TASC'S

Rockin' Diner



Starters

Served Warm!



- Snack Packs
- Food Distribution Volunteering
- Can For Entry
- Hunger Games
- Parent Info Meetings
- Nutritional Awareness Posters
- Food Insecurity Infographics
- Social Media Campaigns
- Reduce Food Waste
- Hunger Advocacy Week

Main Course(s)



- Donation Drive Competitions
- Thanksgiving Basket Collection
- Elementary Nutritional Lessons
- Spring Break Pantry Cleaning
- Food Drive Fridays
- Cereal Feeder Challenge
- Homecoming Can Food Drive
- Nutrition Workshops
- Food Insecurity Fundraiser
- Themed Assemblies

Desserts



- Can The Campus
- Community Gardens
- Cook-Off For A Cause
- Community Farmers' Market
- Campus Food Pantry
- Food Insecurity Forum
- Food Philanthropy Week
- Student Impact Testimonial
- Compost For A Cause

*Learn-a-licious,
Very **Educative!***



Starters -

Easiest to implement regardless of school circumstance

Main Course(s) -

Moderate commitment through energy and participation

Desserts -

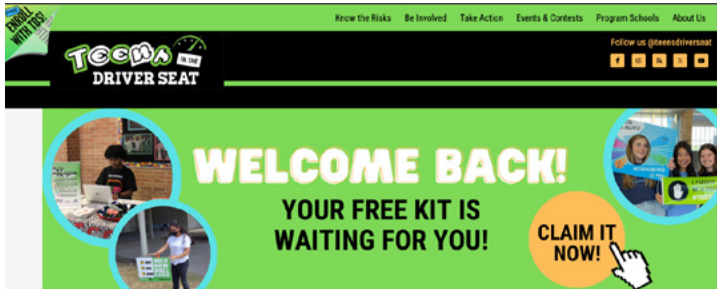
Community focused; most activity and time required

Where table-talkers
eat and **advocate!**



News You Can Use:

- **Hey Digital Changers,**
Schools that implement our **Phone-Free Campus Implementation Training** see stronger student engagement, fewer classroom distractions, and healthier social connections. This training equips your staff with practical tools and proven strategies to successfully roll out a phone-free policy that works. If you've been considering it, now's the time! → [HERE](#)



- **TEENS IN THE DRIVERS SEAT** - Free implementation kits for [High School](#) Teens in the Driver Seat and specific materials for [Middle Schools](#) are available too!

• **Thirst Project:** We've still got a long way to go, but our work would be impossible without you. Here are a few ways to get a head start on making a major impact with Thirst Project during your 2025-26 school year:



- Join our new Thirst Project community platform! This is a new place for Thirst Project staff, teachers, and students to share good news and good ideas. [Click this link to join!](#)
- If your school/organization has supported Thirst Project in recent years: Have you heard about our Legacy Program? If not, let me know so we can chat about how Thirst Project wants to celebrate your impact on the water crisis!
- If your school/organization has not supported Thirst Project in recent years: [Click to request a free Thirst Project presentation for your school!](#)
- However you're planning on fighting for water as a human right this year, I can help! Let me know a good time for you and your leadership time to chat with me about the upcoming year so I can share advice and resources.
- Who knows? Maybe today is day one of your journey (or the journey of one of your students) towards the 2026 Power of Youth award (aka GOAT)! Now let's go save some lives!!

**Applications for Advanced JC
(Nov. 1), Summer JC (Dec.1) and
Scholarships for Seniors (Dec.1)
are due soon! Get everything
done and turned in early!**



TASC State Report Forms

Your council deserves recognition for the hard work you do.
Councils can earn recognition in the following (each is a separate award)



- Pride and Patriotism (P&P)
- Energy and Environment (E&E)
- Drugs, Alcohol, Safety, and Health (DASH)
- Community Service (No points required. Just submit the form.)
- Outstanding Student Council
- And Sweepstakes (Earn recognition in all of the above for a Sweepstakes Award)

The 2025 – 2026 State Report Forms are simpler to manage than ever before!

[CLICK HERE FOR INFORMATION](#)

PLEASE NOTE:

If you downloaded this form in August, please **Re-Download this one.** We found and fixed errors!
Thank you!



Check out the state project information along with tons of project ideas and get ideas from the Top Project and Top Videos too!



- Have you reviewed your goals with your principal yet? Review this for a plan for [Partnering with Your Principal](#).
- Take a look at the [\\$1,000 scholarship forms](#) for partnering with your principal. They go hand in hand with being a successful council.

TASC Member schools are starting off the year strong in Texas Schools!



See how Student Councils are working on the State Project using #TASCFeedsTX on Social Media!

