



TASC Endorsed Program Request



Board of Directors Policy Regarding Endorsements and/or Partnerships

Programs/projects that complement the mission and purpose of student council may be considered by the Board for an endorsement/partnership. Programs or projects interested in forming a partnership with TASC must demonstrate in writing the ways in which the program enhances the work of or provides a resource to student councils. Programs/projects sponsored by member schools are preferred. The Board will approve this type of relationship at the summer board meeting. The board may determine to limit the number of endorsed programs. These relationships benefit TASC member schools directly, either by providing a resource to the council or to individual students. Endorsed programs often exhibit at TASC events and present at TASC events. Benefits to an endorsed program/partner may include access to member schools' data for marketing, inclusion in conferences through presentations and reduced exhibit rates, a link on the TASC website, and inclusion in the TASC Resource Guide. Relationships are established by a board vote and are renewed annually. Existing programs must demonstrate participation by and benefit to schools and justify the continuation of the relationship in writing.

Indicate if this is a new or continuing partnership	New
Name of Organization/Program	New Voters
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Mission/Purpose of Organization	New Voters envisions a future where every high schooler registers to vote before they graduate. New Voters is a 501(c3) nonpartisan, nonprofit that works with students directly to make this happen. High school students of all ages are invited to run a free, nonpartisan voter registration drive with New Voters at their school.
How does your mission align with the goals/purpose of Texas Student Councils? (See About Us tab at www.tasconline.org.)	As stated, TASC aims to promote "democracy as a way of life." New Voters' mission to ensure high school voter registration is a foundational step of a functioning democracy. New Voter works directly with high school students, ensuring that they have the opportunity, knowledge, and resources to register and participate in elections.

Describe in detail the process for TASC member school participation in this program.	Texas Student Councils and/or their advisors can sign up to run a voter registration drive at tinyurl.com/runadrive. Students are then matched with a college mentor who will walk them through the process, and ensure compliance and progress from start to finish. Students are encouraged to build a team to run the drive - teaching valuable leadership and organizing skills. Drives can also be run as a council project. Drive runners will receive personal mentorship, weekly check-ins, a swag box with voter registration materials, and a state-specific voter guide. Our mentorship ensures that all drives are fully compliant with state laws and are completely nonpartisan. Upon completion, students receive service hours, a prize and plaque for their school. If a council runs a drive as a project, New Voters will provide a pizza party!
What is the benefit of this partnership to the TASC organization as a whole, its member schools or individual advisors/students?	Organization- TASC has the opportunity to work with New Voters, a UN recognized youth-civics organization, which has registered thousands of voters in Texas! New Voters provides free, nonpartisan civics programming and leadership development for every student, aligning with TASC's mission and goals. TASC will be able to point to a tangible program in support of "democracy as a way of life." Member Schools- In Texas, schools are required to provide voter registration to eligible students (here). However, it's estimated only 25% of schools meet this requirement. New Voters wants to change this by empowering students to lead registration efforts and work directly with a Registrar to ensure full compliance. We have run numerous drives in Texas high schools working directly with county elections officials. This takes the burden of registering students off from teachers and administration while ensuring compliant, safe, and nonpartisan voter registration. Schools get to meet the state requirement and students learn valuable leadership skills along the way! Individual Students- Individual students gain hands-on experience in organizing, leadership, public speaking, and civics. Running a drive is a great booster for resumes and college applications, and neatly coincides with the leadership development of being in student council. Additionally, students are eligible for opportunities in New Voters, including our year-long fellowship and semesterly internship programs.
What is the benefit of this partnership to your organization?	New Voters becomes one step closer to reaching our vision of every high school student registering to vote.
Is there a fee for TASC schools to attain resources or participate in the program	No
Does participation in this program require student fundraising of any type?	No

Is this program available to student councils statewide?	Yes!
Describe in detail the resources available to TASC schools through this partnership.	Every student that works with New Voters receives completely free, nonpartisan support. Students are given a suite of resources to run their voter registration drive, including a personal mentor, weekly check-ins, swag box with voter registration materials, and a state-specific voter guide. Upon completion, students receive service hours, a prize and plaque for their school. Mentors are trained in Texas voter registration laws and will ensure all drives are fully compliant. New Voter will also provide breakout sessions and tabling at TASC events.
Describe the plan for serving schools across the state of Texas.	New Voters is working continuously to build our Texas presence and ensure all TX teens are ready for elections. Because of our growth, this summer, New Voters launched its first-ever Texas outreach team, led by a TASC student (and New Voters Intern!). The Texas outreach team is responsible for engaging students to run voter registration drives and maintaining partnerships with local organizations. Currently, our Texas team is working to recruit dozens of schools and their student leaders to run voter registration drives ahead of the 2026 Midterm elections. New Voters provides personal mentorship to all students participating in the program, as well as in-person support at certain TX events, including TASC events.
Describe your intent to exhibit or present at the TASC Advisor Workshop in September, and the TASC Annual Conference in March. (Presentation topics must be submitted and approved prior to each conference. Endorsed programs are eligible for reduced fees for exhibiting. Forms are available under Exhibitors/Sponsors at www.tasconline.org.)	New Voters would be thrilled to present at the Advisor Conference in September. New Voters would share breakout sessions detailing the process and benefits of running a voter registration drive, and including a ‘fast track’ way to set up a drive post-workshop. Because Texas’ voter registration deadline is October 5, we would work to ensure that schools can host a drive as soon as possible to prepare their students to participate in democracy. New Voters has been an exhibitor and presenter at the TASC Annual Conference in 2025 and 2026. We look forward to continuing this relationship! As an exhibitor, New Voters has met thousands of students from all across Texas and shared nonpartisan voting resources and opportunities to run a drive. In presentations, New Voters has educated hundreds of students on Texas voter registration laws, election details, and running a nonpartisan voter registration drive.
<u>Continuing Programs Only:</u> Provide data on the number of TASC schools that participated in this program in the previous year.	N/A
<u>Continuing Programs Only:</u> Explain how TASC school/student participation has increased or changed since the partnership began.	N/A

<u>Continuing Programs Only:</u> Describe any <u>new plans</u> for serving schools and student councils across the state of Texas.	N/A
<u>Continuing Programs Only:</u> Please share any suggestions you have regarding ways that TASC can add value to this partnership.	N/A

Thank you for your service to student councils, schools, and student leadership.