



# 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.

<b>Indicate if this is a new or continuing partnership</b>	Continuing
<b>Name of Organization/Program</b>	Carry The Load
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<b>Mission/Purpose of Organization</b>	Our mission is to provide active ways to honor and remember our nation's heroes by connecting Americans to the sacrifices made by our military, veterans, first responders, and their families.
<b>How does your mission align with the goals/purpose of Texas Student Councils? (See About Us tab at <a href="http://www.tasconline.org">www.tasconline.org</a>.)</b>	Through our Carry The Flag education program, our goal is to educate youth about service, sacrifice, and patriotism.

<p><b>Describe in detail the process for TASC member school participation in this program.</b></p>	<p>Groups are able to participate in activities and lessons that are provided on our website and they can submit their work to be featured online.</p>
<p><b>What is the benefit of this partnership to the TASC organization as a whole, its member schools or individual advisors/students?</b></p>	<p>Our program provides written lessons and activities as well as volunteer opportunities for students to participate in. We also provide active military, first responders, and veterans as speakers at their school.</p>
<p><b>What is the benefit of this partnership to your organization?</b></p>	<p>This partnership allows our program to be seen and utilized by schools and groups across Texas.</p>
<p><b>Is there a fee for TASC schools to attain resources or participate in the program</b></p>	<p>No.</p>
<p><b>Does participation in this program require student fundraising of any type?</b></p>	<p>No.</p>
<p><b>Is this program available to student councils statewide?</b></p>	<p>Yes.</p>
<p><b>Describe in detail the resources available to TASC schools through this partnership.</b></p>	<p>We provide written lesson plans, videos, and other resources such as access to military, first responder, or veteran speakers for schools and events.</p>
<p><b>Describe the plan for serving schools across the state of Texas.</b></p>	<p>All activities are available online and can be downloaded from our website.</p>
<p><b>Describe your intent to exhibit or present at the TASC Advisors Workshop in September, the TASC Middle Level Conference in November, and the TASC Annual Conference in April. (Presentation topics must be submitted and approved prior</b></p>	<p>We will participate and set up an exhibition table.</p>

<p>to each conference. Endorsed programs are eligible for reduced fees for exhibiting. Forms are available under Exhibitors/Sponsors at <a href="http://www.tasconline.org">www.tasconline.org</a>.)</p>	
<p><b><u>Continuing Programs Only:</u></b> Provide data on the number of TASC schools that participated in this program in the previous year.</p>	87
<p><b><u>Continuing Programs Only:</u></b> Explain how TASC school/student participation has increased or changed since the partnership began.</p>	We have consistently added more schools from TASC since our partnership began and in the last 2 years, we gained 47 more schools overall.
<p><b><u>Continuing Programs Only:</u></b> Describe any <u>new plans</u> for serving schools and student councils across the state of Texas.</p>	We are consistently creating new lesson plans and updating and adding to our current plans available.
<p><b><u>Continuing Programs Only:</u></b> Please share any suggestions you have regarding ways that TASC can add value to this partnership.</p>	

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