



TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT COUNCILS  
TASC TOP PROJECTS COMPETITION



High School



Middle Level

ENTRY COVER SHEET

School Name submitting the application	School Address:
Jefferson Silva H.S.	4700 Alameda Ave.
School City/State/Zip:	Size of Community(ies):
El Paso Texas 79905	8,900
Advisor Name:	Advisor E-Mail:
Angelica Lechuga	alechuga@episd.org
Principal Name:	Principal Signature:
Cynthia Luna	
School UIL Classification:	
5A	
Project Name:	Project Dates:
We Are One Heart	8/6/19
Total Number of Students in Council(s):	Number of Members Involved in Project:
19	65
Total Number of Students Enrolled in School(s):	Number of Other Students Involved in Project:
1800	46
Total Number of Faculty employed in School(s):	Number of Faculty Involved in Project:
150	1
Number of Community Groups Involved in Project	Number of Community Members Involved in Project
1	3

THIS INFORMATION MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE.

This application must be submitted online via the TASC website.

Upload your photos, newspaper articles, etc. online as well. **Scan all pages into one document and upload.**

Please consider submitting a proposal for a table talk (HS) on your project at the high school conference or for a breakout at the Middle Level Conference for extra points. You must apply to do that.

### Top Projects Rating Sheet (for judges only)

School Name	1 Not Met	2	3 Met	4	5 Exceeds
Jefferson Silva HS					
Project Meets Objective					
Amount of Involvement: Council					
Amount of Involvement: Student(s)					
Amount of Involvement: Other School Organizations					
Amount of Involvement: Teachers					
Amount of Involvement: Community					
Originality					
Overall Results: Students					
Overall Results: Faculty/Community					
Project relative to school/community size					
Submitted proposal for presentation at conference					
Evaluation Score Subtotals					

Total Evaluation Score \_\_\_\_\_

**For Collaborative Project, list contact information for all councils involved.**

School Name	School Mailing Address (include zip code)	Advisor Name	Advisor Email Address



**CAMPUS:** Jefferson/Silva High School

**TITLE:** We Are One Heart

**PURPOSE:** A mural for the victims of the El Paso Shooting

**OBJECTIVE:** Complete a large-scale mural commemorating the victims that were hospitalized from the August 3<sup>rd</sup> shooting.

**DESCRIPTION:** This project surfaced because of the tragedy that affected our community and city. Since our campus is across from the hospital where many victims were hospitalized. We wanted the victims and families to know we are supporting them in their time of grief. Our way to show that support was by doing a huge mural EL PASO STRONG. Our campus felt immense empathy and pain for those who suffered the loss of life our community endured. Silver Fox students wanted to do something to let them know we are supporting the many families the "We Are One Heart" project evolved. This mural brought us together, joining our hearts as one. We used butcher paper that started as a white canvas and ended with our beautiful mountains and star. This mural brought many organizations; NHS, Athletes, Silva Ambassadors, Student Council, Ex-student Council and Alumni together. We were able to accomplish this beautiful project in six hours. During this time, we were surprised by the amount of social media that was focused on this project. A local news outlet interviewed students during the project to share their thoughts of such a heartfelt project. Many people beyond our community stopped by to take pictures of the mural. We can hope that President Donald Trump and First Lady Melania Trump, and comedian George Lopez saw the mural as they visited the hospital where victims were hospitalized. It was requested by several people that we keep the mural permanently; unfortunately, our campus is going through construction. In honor of the victims, our teachers and staff also did a balloon release from the shooting. Our mural continued to be up throughout the summer and into the beginning of the school year, which created a sense of unity between our city and campus.

Campus: Jefferson/Silva Health Magnet High School

Title: We are one heart

Purpose: A Mural for the victims of the El Paso Shooting Tragedy

Objective: Complete a large scale mural commemorating the victims of the tragedy on August 3 in El Paso hospitalized across the street from our campus at University Medical Center.

Description: August 3, 2019, a day that will live in the minds and heart of everyone in El Paso.

As news of the incident began to circulate on social media and TV, we were left praying to hope no one we knew was there since the store is so close to our campus. As we knew that we were safe from harm, a determination to support our city and our people arose. With strong leadership from our Student Council, our schools, Jefferson and Silva, became as our city was about to become, ONE. Our organizations were represented in the creation of the mural.

Athletics, Academics and Alumni, all worked tirelessly for around 6 hours to create a picture that represented US. Our City is known for its mountains and the star. White pieces of butcher paper covered the building side over 20 feet high and 200 feet long. With the help of many, a beautiful mural was created. News Media and Social Media outlets spread the picture to around the world to show that "We are ONE heart". The President and First Lady, Donald and Melania Trump, along with many dignitaries and celebrities were able to catch a glimpse of the Pride for El Paso. Our schools have such a long history of pride and tradition, but none has moved me to tears to see the hard work and determination that our school community had that day. To create "We are ONE heart" for the victims, for the city, for the United States.

Noel Castaneda  
Jefferson High School  
Math Teacher  
Head Girls Basketball Coach











View from the hospital











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