

2024 TREA Annual Conference | NEW Events | Checkout the Schedule



New for 2024 | TREA Innovation Lab Tuesday, June 25 | 9am-12pm | Kalahari Resort

Enroll Now & Contribute to Shaping the Education of Tomorrow. Receive a \$200 Scholarship for Your School or District.

Take the leap—connect, share, innovate. Your seat at the **Innovation Lab** table is reserved and limited spots are available. Are you ready to make a lasting difference?

Read more <u>details here</u> or contact <u>Bonnie Walker</u> with questions. Enroll in the **Innovation Lab** today and transform the education sphere, one innovation at a time. <u>ENROLL HERE</u> Want to attend conference also? Register Here



GET REGISTERED





EVENING AT DELL DIAMOND



Meal Ticket Only

Meals are included in full conference the scholarship banquet, breakfast, or OTY luncheon use this form.

New Event | Tuesday 6/25

Free for school district attendees and their registrations. If you need an extra ticket for families. A fee for vendors, unless they are sponsoring the event. Once the event is full there will be no more spots available so please don't wait.

Join Us! | Monday 6/24 Free for school district and ESC members.

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED

Please plan to send items for the Silent Auction during the 2024 TREAAnnual Conference. We would love to see lots of student made and school related donations. Show off your community! Proceeds benefit the scholarship program.

Items should be dropped off at the badge pick-up desk by Monday, June 24 by 3:00 pm. Bidding begins before the Scholarship Banquet on Monday evening. Results of the auction will be announced immediately following the banquet. Contact Bill Tarleton with questions.



PRESIDENT'S PROFILE: Mr. Jeff Byrd



Mr. Jeff Byrd is a seasoned school administrator with a passion for rural education. With years of experience in various roles within the education sector, he brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to his current position as the President of Texas Rural Education. As the superintendent of Dalhart ISD, Mr. Byrd has demonstrated exceptional leadership and dedication to improving educational outcomes for students in rural communities.

TREA Announces Of The Year Finalists | Press Release



TREA Announces Scholarship Recipients | Press Release



2024 TREA Student Scholarship Recipients

Cadence Barrett | Spearman ISD Luke Beadles | Celeste ISD Austin Berry | Clyde CISD Koda Bigham | Borden County ISD Landrie Black | Spearman ISD Case Chalaire | Chisum ISD Daylee Chisum | Jayton-Girard ISD Clara Fuller | Quinlan ISD Cameron Graves | Palacios ISD Ava Hickl | Tidehaven ISD Aiden Hunter | Ferris ISD Madison Newhouse | Wortham ISD Taryn O'Brien | Sinton ISD

Recipients!

Rachel Petty | Bullard ISD Joseph Polster | Hamilton ISD Greta Popham | Milano ISD Luke Ratcliff | Harleton ISD Halli Russell | Wylie ISD (Abilene) Mattison Smith | Quitman ISD Laney Stansell | Borden County ISD Wyatt Terrell | Menard ISD Carter Tucker | Latexo ISD Joseph Tuggle | Crockett ISD Addisan Wagner | Flatonia ISD Montana Woods | Quanah ISD

Congratulations **2024 TREA Service Award Recipients**

Emma Alphin | Harmony ISD Riley Bal | Clifton ISD Zane Barrow | Newton ISD Allee Hamilton | Spur ISD Jackson Harper | Whitesboro ISD Cason Ingram | Evant ISD Jayden Jones | McMullen County ISD Trevin King | Chireno ISD Payton Murphy | Iredell ISD Blane Mynarcik | Bynum ISD Brayden Pusetjovsky | Abbott ISD Caleb Yeschke | Leakey ISD Jackson Young | Kemp ISD

Recipients!

TREA Announces Art Contest Winners | Press Release



First Place: \$500 | Second Place: \$300 | Third Place: \$150

Ninners

Grade Level 3-5 Avery Eudy | Paris ISD | 1st Place Dalis Peery | Cushing ISD | 2nd Place Carlos Avila | Kemp ISD | 3rd Place

Grade Level 6-8

Prezley Freeburn | Devine ISD | 1st Place Landry Rosenbaum | Chilton ISD | 2nd Place Sailor Gutierrez | Goliad ISD | 3rd Place



Grade Level 9-12 Lanai Martinez | Flatonia ISD | 1st Place Lluvia Zavala | Quinlan ISD | 2nd Place Madison O'Pry | Kemp ISD | 3rd Place



WELCOME NEW SPONSORS



BRONZE SPONSOR | <u>1GPA</u> is a national non-profit governmental purchasing cooperative which allows public entities to take advantage of existing contracts to purchase the goods and services they need from local and national vendors. 1GPA Contracts are approved and awarded by 1GPA's lead governmental entities and are available for use and benefit of all entities complying with their own state procurement laws and regulations. 1GPA's pooled purchasing power means public and private schools, cities, counties and state entities, as well as colleges, universities and Native American communities can save actual budget dollars on our contracts utilizing best business practices. All of our contracts are competitively bid and awarded in compliance with state statutes, procurement laws and regulations.







SILVER SPONSOR | Teachworthy Elevate is an

accelerated, sustainable teacher development program to turn your educational aides, substitutes and support staff into degreed, certified teachers at little to no cost to the district. This program is a district-led, quality-focused, and integrated curriculum that prepares aspiring teachers for the classroom and opens the door to a career in education.

SILVER SPONSOR | <u>The Department of Organization</u>, <u>Workforce, and Leadership Studies (OWLS)</u> prepares students for workplace success.

The Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (BAAS) is designed for mature adults or nontraditional students who need individualized academic programs that award credit for nontraditional forms of learning. It is designed to give working adults or nontraditional students an accelerated route to a bachelor's degree by earning credit for work experience, non-collegiate instruction, and test scores.

SILVER SPONSOR | Since 1970, Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP has worked with Texas school districts to ensure they have the resources they need to best serve their communities. Our school district services include delinquent property tax collections, school finance consulting and representation on appeals and audits submitted to the Texas Comptroller. Perdue Brandon has 15 offices and multiple satellite locations throughout Texas. When experience, reputation and performance matter, Perdue Brandon is the right choice for your district. For more information contact Carla Pope-Osborne at cpope-osborne@pbfcm.com.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

GRANT Opportunity | Limited Availability | CW-FIT 2024 RECRUITMENT



TREA has an amazing opportunity available for a select number of school districts to participate in through the University of Kansas. The plan is to enroll 24 teachers in a minimum of 6 schools. They do have a protocol in place for schools that do not have a large staff. We have attached documents with brief explanations and contact information. Please contact <u>Jackie</u> at KU directly if you are interested.

Become a part of the 2024 recruitment group and **receive funds** for conferences and stipends. More Information: <u>CW-FIT Testimonials</u> and <u>CW-FIT School</u> <u>Responsibilities</u>.

UTeach Professional Development

Mastering the New Science TEKS

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Do you support K–8 science teachers? Take a look at our latest course, <u>Mastering the New Science TEKS</u>. We offer two options, one for teachers and instructional leaders in grades K–2 and another for grades 3–8. In this course, educators will:

- Gain a comprehensive understandownload Course Flyer EKS for grades K-8
- Explore blended learning techniques that can be used to personalize instruction



TEA reimbursement is also available for our AP CS Principles and AP CSA professional development! <u>View</u> <u>steps for PD reimbursement, request sample lessons</u>, or <u>schedule a time</u> to learn more about UTeach CS.

Contact: Dixie Valdez | <u>pdinfo@uteach.utexas.edu</u> UTeach Professional Development Manager <u>uteach-institute.org</u> | <u>pd.uteach.utexas.edu</u>

NREA | AASA Hosting Series of Calls on FAFSA with USED



Please join The Department of Education and AASA for a FAFSA briefing with U.S. Deputy Secretary of Education Cindy Marten.

We are holding three separate calls for various AASA regions; join the call for your region to discuss leveraging new Department funding for your summer plan and ensuring your organization has the necessary information to assist students and families with FAFSA submissions.

Each session will be tailored for educational leaders in the participating states. All three calls will be on May 22.

Not sure of your AASA Region? Check our handy dandy map!

Regions 1 and 2: Register Here

- May 22, 10 am ET
- States: AK, AR, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, KS, MT, NM, NV, OR, OK, WA, WY, TX, UT

Regions 3, 4, and 5: Register Here

• May 22, 10:45 am ET

• States: AL, FL, GA, IA, IL, IN, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NE, OH, SD, SC, TN, VA, WI

Regions 6 and 7: Register Here

- May 22, 1:45 pm ET
- States: CT, DC, DE, MA, ME, MD, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT, WV

TREA members are also NREA members. Make sure you are involved on a national level for rural schools. Follow them <u>online</u> and on X <u>@nrea1</u>. This is <u>the latest from Dr. Allen Pratt</u> regarding voucher.

Performance Report | Membership Updates



TREA's Annual Performance Report (APR) was presented to the Board of Directors at the last board meeting. The APR focused on the last three years relating to all aspects of TREA activities. We're excited to share the information with all of our members, prospective members, and sponsors. Click <u>here</u> to read the report.



Take a few minutes to login and review the information we have in our system for your ISD, ESC, or company. ISDs/ESCs click <u>here</u> and Sponsors/Exhibitors click <u>here</u> for instructions. Also, please double check <u>TREA's address and W9</u> with your business office. Contact <u>Kasey Hyde</u> with any questions.

OUR PARTNERS



No Kid Hungry Texas encourages school nutrition teams in rural districts to implement non-congregate summer meals options. <u>READ MORE...</u>



Season Update & Championships in April and May

Qualifying events for Mission 2024: Eclipse have come to an end. This season, an impressive 5,000 students demonstrated their exceptional skills in Teamwork, Piloting, Autonomous Flight, and Communication Missions across 150 events in 35 states. All participating teams deserve a round of applause for an extraordinary season!

View the video recap of a recent event hosted at the esteemed NASA Langley Research Center in Virginia. Check out the schedule for championship locations. <u>READ MORE...</u>

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