



Texas Speech  
Communication  
Association

Convention 2023

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to Grow

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# Thursday, October 12, 2023

10:00- 12:00	<b>TSCA Executive Officers Meeting</b>	Boardroom
12:00-1:00	<b>TFA Executive Council Meeting</b>	Quorum
12:00-4:00	<b>Convention Registration</b>	Foyer

## 1:00-1:30 TFA Committee Meetings

Congressional Debate	San Felipe A	Professional Relations	Concorde B
Constitution	San Felipe B	Public Relations	Concorde C
Ad Hoc State Size	Richmond	Scholarship	Forum
Finance	Woodway	Ad Hoc Coach Retention/New Coaches	Ballroom A&B
Equity	Westheimer	Ad Hoc Regional Alignment	Ballroom A&B
Hall of Fame Membership	Directors Room	Ad Hoc UDL Involvement	Ballroom C
Nominating	Concorde A	Ad Hoc IQT Judging	Ballroom C

1:30-2:30	<b>TFA EC and Amendment Discussion</b>	Quorum
2:00-4:00	<b>TJSDA State Planning Meeting</b>	Westheimer

## 2:30-3:30 TFA Regional Meetings

Region 1	Concorde A
Region 2	Concorde B
Region 3	Concorde C
Region 4	San Felipe A
Region 5	San Felipe B

3:30-4:30	<b>New Member Orientation</b>	Ballroom C
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## 3:30-4:30 TSCA Standing & Ad Hoc Committee Meetings

Bylaws	San Felipe A
College and University	San Felipe B
Comm. to Nom. the Nominating Comm.	Richmond
Educator of the Year	Woodway
Educator Training	Directors Room
Fiscal Review	Concorde A
Governmental Affairs	Concorde B
AP Course Exploration Ad Hoc	Concorde C
Nominating	Ballroom C
Public Relations	Ballroom A&B
Resolutions	Ballroom A&B
Special Awards	Westheimer
Speech and Theatre in Public Schools	Quorum
UIL Advisory	Forum

# Thursday, October 12, 2023

4:30-5:30

## District Meetings

(please note most spaces are shared between 2 districts)

District 1 San Felipe A  
 District 2 San Felipe B  
 District 3 Westheimer  
 District 4 Westheimer  
 District 5 Concorde A  
 District 6 Concorde A  
 District 7 Concorde B  
 District 8 Concorde B  
 District 9 Concorde C  
 District 10 Director's Room

District 11 Concorde C  
 District 12 Westheimer  
 District 13 Woodway  
 District 14 Richmond  
 District 15 Westheimer  
 District 16 Forum  
 District 17 Ballroom A&B  
 District 18 Ballroom A&B  
 District 19 Ballroom C  
 District 20 Ballroom C

5:30-6:30

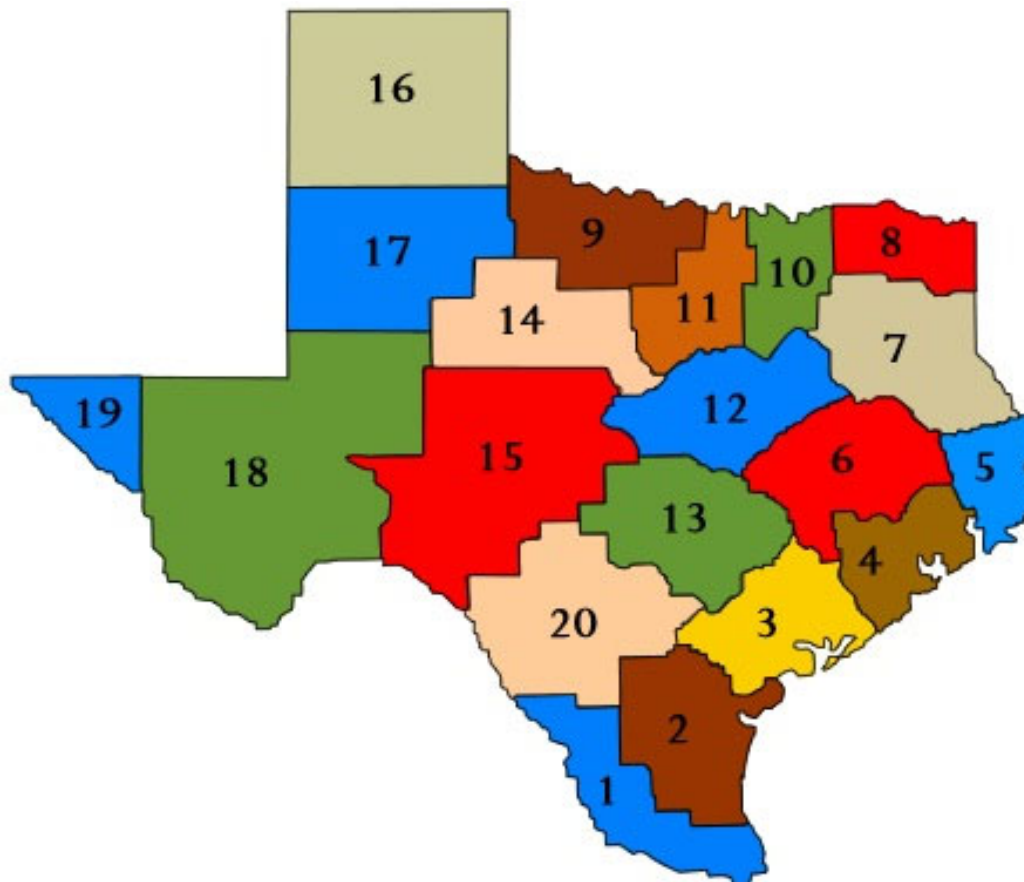
## TSCA Executive Council Meeting

Ballroom C

(All current TSCA Officers, TSCA District, TSCA Committee and TSCA Interest Group chairs)

6:30

**Enjoy dinner in the Houston area!**



TSCA CONVENTION SCHEDULE

# Friday, October 13, 2023

7:30-10:00	<b>Convention Registration continues</b>	
8:00-10:00	<b>TFA Business Meeting #1</b>	Ballroom A&B
10:00-11:00	<b>1<sup>st</sup> General Session of TSCA &amp; Officer Elections</b>	Ballroom A&B
11:10-12:00	<b>Panel A Programs</b>	See program listings
12:00-1:00	<b>Convention Luncheon</b> (Luncheon tickets available at registration)	Ballroom A&B
1:10-2:00	<b>Panel B Programs</b>	See program listings
2:10-3:00	<b>Panel C Programs</b>	See program listings
3:10-4:00	<b>Interest Group Session 1:</b> Instructional Development Middle Schools/ TFSDA Instructional Development in High Schools Instructional Development in Colleges & Univ.	San Felipe A Forum Concorde A
4:10-5:00	<b>Interest Group Session 2:</b> Argumentation & Debate Oral Interpretation and Performance Studies Rhetoric & Communication Theory UIL	San Felipe B Concorde B Director's Room Westheimer
5:10-6:00	<b>Interest Group Session 3:</b> Interpersonal & Organizational Comm Theater TIFA/TCCFA Diversity & Inclusion	Richmond Woodway Westheimer Concorde C
6:00-7:00	<b>President's Reception &amp; Awards</b>	BLVD
7:00	<b>Don Streeter Past Presidents' Dinner</b>	Post Oak
7:00-10:00	<b>TFA Business Meeting #2</b>	Ballroom A&B

# Saturday, October 14, 2023

8:00-9:00	<b>TSCA New Executive Council Meeting</b> (All Officers and new District, Committee and Interest Group chairs)	Ballroom A&B
8:30-9:30	<b>Late Convention Registration/ Questions</b>	Foyer
9:00-9:50	<b>Panel D Programs</b>	See program listings
10:00-11:15	<b>TSCA General Session #2 &amp; Officer Installation</b>	Ballroom A&B
11:30-12:10	<b>Panel E Programs</b>	See program listings
12:20-1:10	<b>Panel F Programs</b>	See program listings
1:20-3:00	<b>TSCA Officer Planning Meeting</b>	Boardroom

## Special Events

### **CONVENTION LUNCHEON**

Friday, 12:00 noon

Join us for the convention luncheon in Ballrooms A&B. Luncheon tickets are available at the registration table.

### **MEET THE PROFESSIONAL**

Friday, 2:10 Panel C-1

Dylan Godwin is a Resident Acting Company Member at Houston's Alley Theatre. Join for a lively discussion about making the jump to the professional scene and suggestions for guiding students.

### **PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION & AWARDS**

Friday, 6:00 pm

Join us in thanking **Ryan Lovell** for his leadership and dedication to TSCA.

Educators of the Year & Service Award nominees and winners will also be recognized during the reception.

### **DON STREETER PAST PRESIDENTS DINNER**

Friday, 7:00 pm

We host a dinner for all TSCA Past Presidents to honor their service and dedication to our organization.

## District Meetings

Thursday, October 12

4:30-5:30 pm

Please meet with your District to make connections with those in your area, brainstorm convention ideas, start the nomination process for Educator of the Year, and more!

Your district number correlates with your Education Service Center number  
(see page 2)

Please note that several districts meet simultaneously in some spaces.

**Odd numbered districts elect a new chair this year.**

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District 19	Ballroom C
District 20	Ballroom C

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# Welcome to Houston and TSCA 2023!

I am thrilled that you have been able to join us here in Houston.

While trying to decide on a theme, my mind was consistently drawn to images of natural beauty. I am personally rejuvenated when I'm amongst the trees, hiking through meadows, or enjoying the splendor of an alpine lake. It is in those quiet moments, surrounded by nature's magnificence that I feel most refreshed. Through those times I have come to believe that many are inspired by nature because it is in those settings that we are most fully enveloped in a canopy of wonder; we are surrounded by things that grow. Forests are replete with magnificent, growing trees. As we draw close to the mountains they loom over the landscape and fill our minds with admiration and awe. As educators, growth in our teaching practices and growth in our talents will inspire awe in others as well.

Growth in the current educational climate is not always easy. Demands on educators seem to multiply while respect for the profession consistently declines. However, it is my firm conviction that it is precisely these pressures that necessitate a renewed attention on growth, both as individual education professionals, and as an united organization. Perhaps now more than ever we are in need of a time to grow.

To the end of promoting individual growth, I want to encourage you to take full advantage of all that is offered in the program. Attend sessions, business meetings, interest group meetings, and district meetings. Use these opportunities in the schedule to make connections, to improve your pedagogy, and to grow. Within this organization exists a depth of knowledge, experience, and expertise that is astounding to behold. As you make connections, as you learn from others I have no doubt you will leave this conference rejuvenated.

TSCA is committed to being an organization that advocates for the reinvigoration of speech education and a reemphasis on the importance of communication skills. To that end, we have committed to fostering relations with the SBOE, to seeking advice on legal issues that impact our educators and to providing education and growth opportunities. This commitment is much more likely to succeed as we marshal the full strength and talent of our membership. It is our goal and manifest purpose to help educators thrive. Get involved. Our organization is stronger when we have the full strength of involved, enthusiastic members.

*Ryan Lovell*  
TSCA President

FROM THE PRESIDENT

## *Welcome to Houston!*

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Texas Speech Communication Association, we are thrilled to welcome the TSCA membership to Houston for the 2023 Convention.

This year's theme, selected by President Ryan Lovell, is "**A Time to Grow.**" There could be no more fitting theme for this moment in time, as we observe our members and their programs struggle to re-grow communication programs at every level and in every subdiscipline of communication. The last few years have brought challenges to us. We are still emerging from a global pandemic and are witnessing political polarization that is changing the educational landscape almost daily. How we continue to grow through those challenges is at the heart of this year's theme.

I wish to send a heartfelt thank you to all of the interest group leaders and individual members who have helped to craft the programming for this year's convention. You will notice that there are fewer blocks of time allocated for panels, which allows us to grow back the necessary time needed to conduct both district and interest group meetings.

For those of you that are new to TSCA, welcome! Be sure to pick up your ribbon at registration that indicates you are a new member. Please join us at the new member orientation on Thursday at 3:30pm where you can learn more about TSCA. You will also have the chance to connect with TSCA officers.

Thank you to TSCA President Ryan Lovell for his leadership through the past year. I have seldom encountered someone as gifted as he has been at managing the complex organization that is TSCA. Additional thanks to Michael Merritte and our host district for their hospitality and the work they have put in to make this comfortable and welcoming space. In particular, M'Liss Hindman, our convention coordinator, has put in a dizzying array of work coordinating with the host hotel. If you see her, say thank you. Few people can manage the difficulties of a hotel arrangement as well as she.

For next year's convention, I have selected **Leadership** as the theme. This will be an opportunity for our organization to document the connection between speech, debate, and the communication discipline in general to fostering new leaders among our students, and to consider the ways in which our organization can revitalize and reinvigorate our own leadership. But until then, let us focus on growth and the way we intertwine with each other. Enjoy Houston!

*Randy Cox*

TSCA Vice-President

Region 4 Extends a heartfelt welcome to Texas Speech Communication Association. Welcome to the largest city in the Lone Star State and the fourth largest in America. Home of the Johnson Space Center, Mission Control for our country's first manned Moon landing. Houston, we do not have a problem! Presently, Space Center Houston provides unprecedented access to National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) facilities where astronauts work and train.

Also, home to renowned academic universities including Ivy League of the south Rice University, newest member of the Big Twelve Conference University of Houston, and Texas Southern— one of the largest historically black universities in the nation— along with several other outstanding institutions of higher learning. Proud to be home to leading industry certifying Junior Colleges and Trade-Technical schools, the Bayou City is equipping graduates for the challenging artificial (AI) intelligence workplace of the future.

And, I can't leave out the city's professional sports teams, the NFL Houston Texans, the Houston Rockets, and boasting 2017 and 2022 World Series Champions Houston.

More importantly, a warm welcome is extended from the vast span of our region's 48 school districts, 41 Open Enrollment Charter Schools, and the eight county area including the breezy, sandy shores of historic Galveston Island, the original home of Juneteenth. Our region's diverse geographical landscape and varied cultural diaspora invites you to return to southeast Texas and the scenic gulf coast in the near future to enrich yourself in the undiscovered treasures that are native to our beloved region of the state.

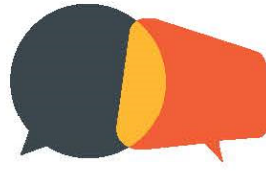
Finally, with sooooo much to say and do...with sooooo little time during our annual three-day gathering, please find time to enjoy immediate offerings of a first-class indoor ice-skating rink, exquisite shopping featuring premier name brand and exclusive designer stores and delectable fine and casual dining in the surrounding Galleria area.

Indeed, A Time to Grow!

*Michael Merritte*

Chair-Local Arrangements





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Congratulations to

**Randy Cox**

Incoming TSCA President

and 2023 Convention Program Planner



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**Parliamentarian:** Lou Ann Seabourn, Retired

## 2023 District Chairpersons

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<b>District 9</b>	<i><b>vacant</b></i>	
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<b>Argumentation &amp; Debate</b>	<b>Chair:</b> Bryce Piotrowski	BrycePiotrowski@katyisd.org
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<b>Instructional Development - Middle School</b>	<b>Chair:</b> Lindsey Petropoulos <b>Vice Chair:</b> Heather Huffman	Lindsey.Petropoulos@pisd.edu
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**Note:** Committee appointments are for a single year, unless noted by a year next to the name.

## **Bylaws**

Ann Shofner '24 (chair)  
Kathy Owens '25  
Shawn Duthie '23  
Sara Jane Barno '24  
Savanna Winn '24

## **College and University**

Justin Blacklock '25 (Chair)  
Sarah Contreras '23  
Wayne Kramer '23  
Dr. Erika Bailey '23  
Xandelyn Washington '24  
Melissa Haynes '24  
Daron McDaniel '25  
Ex-Officio: Amanda Jo Ratcliff

## **Educator Training**

Melissa Witt '24 (Chair)  
Greg Arp '23  
Chris Arnold '23  
Julie Welker '23  
Sheila Ritchie, '24  
Heather Soltero '24  
Ex-Officio: Mellessa Denny

## **Committee to Nominate the Nominating Committee**

JP Fugler (Chair)  
Jeremy Hutchins  
Julie Schniers  
Tasha Jones  
Brandon Cohn  
Rachel Warnecke

## **Educator of the Year**

Kari McKenzie '24 (Chair)  
Lou Ann Seabourn '23  
Lindsey Petropolous '24  
Lyn Esquivel '24  
Sarah Contreras '24  
Mendy Meurer '25  
Michal Morelos '25

## **Fiscal Review**

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David Gardiner '23  
Joshua Wimberley '23

## **Governmental Affairs**

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Ron Hester '23  
Dustin Hurley '23  
Kirsten Nash '25  
Gina Lozano '25  
George Tennison '24  
Ex-Officio: Ryan Lovell

## **Local Arrangements**

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Ryan Hennessy  
Vicki Beard  
Ashley Freeman  
Seth Pietsek  
Peter Dubrule  
Kyle Peterson  
Tim Haynes

## **Nominating**

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Coby Evers  
George Tennison  
Julie Welker  
Joshua Wimberly  
Shelby Zarro

## **Public Relations**

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Vicki Beard '23  
Ashley Freeman '24  
Seth Pietsek '24  
Peter Dubrule '24  
Kyle Peterson '24  
Tim Haynes '24  
Ex-Officio: Stef Cambra

## **Resolutions**

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Neal White '24 (Co-Chair)  
Aimee Kasprzyk '24  
Kelsey Vincent '24  
Lillian Adeyemi '23  
Courtney Plotts '25

## **Special Awards**

Connie McKee '24 (Chair)  
Trudy Hanson '24  
Wade Hescht '24  
Ralph Long '23  
Kandi King '23  
Ex-Officio: Aimee Kasprzyk

## **Speech and Theatre in Public Schools**

Max Thompson '23 (Chair)  
Brian Alford '23  
Kyle Brenner '23  
Katrese Skinner '23  
Sami Womack '25  
Andrew Eddy '25  
Amberley Tanner '23

## **UIL Advisory**

Nicole Cornish '24 (Co-Chair)  
Joanna Hickey '24 (Co-Chair)  
Ross DeLeon '23  
Bryan Winn '23  
Yolanda Silva '25  
Kim Falco '24  
Justin Holland '25  
Ex-Officio: Jana Riggins

## **Ad Hoc – AP Course Exploration**

Heather Byars  
Kirsten Nash  
Jennifer Adams  
Clint Adams  
Nicole Cornish  
Stef Cambra  
Ex-Officio: Ryan Lovell

## Call for Manuscripts and Teaching Activities

### ***Texas Speech Communication Journal***

Volume 48, Issue 1

#### Call for Manuscripts

The *Texas Speech Communication Journal* issues a call for papers that focus on research in human communication. Contributors may approach topics from multiple perspectives, contexts, and methodologies supported within the discipline. Manuscripts should be received no later than **December 31, 2023**. *Texas Speech Communication Journal* (TSCJ) follows a policy of blind review so no author identification should appear in the abstract and body of the manuscript.

Manuscripts should not exceed 30 pages, including references and figures, and should be written according to the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association* (7th edition). The manuscript should be emailed to the editor at the address listed below divided into the following two (Microsoft Word) documents:

1. Title Page - should include the author's name(s), academic position, institutional affiliation, full mailing address, telephone number, email address, brief author biography, and a history of the manuscript (presentation at conferences).

Title page should also indicate the following:

- A. Methodology/Analysis Technique: (include all that apply) Content Analysis Ethnography Qualitative analysis Quantitative analysis Rhetorical criticism
- B. Communication Context (keywords that describe your manuscript's area of study)

2. Abstract and Manuscript - An abstract of not more than 150 words should accompany the manuscript. The author should also include keywords for the articles. ***No author identification should appear in this document.*** Incomplete manuscripts will be automatically rejected. Include all tables, graphs, appendices, etc...

#### Call for Teaching Activities

A portion of Volume 48, Issue 1 of the *Texas Speech Communication Journal* will be dedicated to highlighting selected teaching activities in the context of speech and communication courses. Submissions can include activities used to teach speech and communication at the middle school, high school, or college and university levels. Teaching activity submissions will follow a blind review process much like the one for original research.

Submissions for teaching activities should include:

- A. Title page - should include the author's name(s), academic position, institutional affiliation, full mailing address, telephone number, email address, brief author biography, communication context of the activity (what concept does the activity reinforce?), and the academic level of the activity (freshmen-level college public speaking courses, high school communication course, or a graduate-level rhetoric course, for example).
- B. Teaching Activity –include an introduction of the activity, communication context, academic level, and synopsis of activity. Teaching activities submissions should not exceed 5 pages including references and figures.

The *Texas Speech Communication Journal* (TSCJ) is a state journal published by the Texas Speech Communication Association. The TSCJ produces one print issue per academic year, which seeks to publish original scholarship that makes a contribution to the studies of human communication. An external committee blind reviews all submissions. The journal has a 24% acceptance rate. Acceptance/Rejection Notices: Sent out early to mid April 2024.

Queries and manuscript submissions should be sent via email to:

**TSCJ Editor, Amanda Jo Ratcliff, Ph.D.**

**Tyler Junior College**

email: [tscjeditor@gmail.com](mailto:tscjeditor@gmail.com)

**Deadline: December 31, 2023**

CALL FOR MANUSCRIPTS

# TSCA PAST PRESIDENTS

1923	Bernice Duggan	1960	P. Merville Larson	1997	Trudy Hanson
1924	Jeston Dickey	1961	Betty Hughes	1998	Jana Riggins
1925	Olivia Hobgood	1962	Angus Springer	1999	President Not Recognized
1926	Jesse Millsaps	1963	Rex Fleming	2000	R. Scott Allen
1927	Mary E. Latimer	1964	Ted Skinner	2001	June Smith
1928	Gladys de Silva Bate	1965	Mabel Wyatt	2002	Teresa Galiazzo
1929	Marjorie E. Will	1966	R.V. Holland	2003	Russell Lowery-Hart
1930	Unknown	1967	June Prentice	2004	Ann Shofner
1931	Earl C. Bryan	1968	Don Streeter	2005	Natalie Bryant
1932	Alma Copelin	1969	Billie Etheridge	2006	Joe Trevino
1933	Unknown	1970	James Barton	2007	Barbara Mayo
1934	Nena Kate Ramsey	1971	Chloe Armstrong	2008	Lois Davis
1935	Minnie L. Blundell	1972	Noyce Burleson	2009	Ralph Long
1936	Sara Lowery	1973	George Tade	2010	Kandi King
1937	Sara Lowery	1974	Ed Thompson	2011	Connie McKee
1938	Yetta Mitchell	1975	Ted Colson	2012	Russell Kirkscey
1939	Florence Horton	1976	Virginia Myers	2013	M'Liss S. Hindman
1940	Emory G. Horger	1977	Vernon McGuire	2014	Mellessa Denny
1941	Emory G. Horder	1978	Pat Rogers	2015	Amy Tilton Jones
1942	Thomas A. Rousse	1979	Helen Schafer	2016	Melissa Witt
1943	Thomas A. Rousse	1980	Rita Harlien	2017	Wade Hescht
1944	Thomas A. Rousse	1981	John Wilson	2018	Colin Malinak
1945	Thomas A. Rousse	1982	Maridell Fryar	2019	Mendy Meurer-Busby
1946	Whilhelmina G. Heede	1983	George Grice	2020	Aimee Kasprzyk
1947	Annah Jo Pendleton	1984	L. D. Naegelin	2021	Lacy Cannon
1948	Jesse Ray Holcomb	1985	Rosanna Herndon		
1949	Jesse J. Villarreal	1986	Pat Jurek		
1950	Oretha Whitworth	1987	Tyler Tindall		
1951	Harold Weiss	1988	Ronald Dodson		
1952	Fred J. Barton	1989	John Gossett		
1953	Jeanne Lennard	1990	Debra Dehlinger		
1954	Elton Abernathy	1991	Marilyn Swinton		
1955	Verna Harris	1992	Jackie Jarrett		
1956	E.L. Pros	1993	Robert Stewart		
1957	Nan Elkins	1994	Ann Shofner		
1958	Crannell Toliver	1995	R. Neal Rieke		
1959	Johnie Ross Elzner	1996	Kerry Moore		

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1938-41.....	J. Clark Weaver
1941-46.....	Hugh Seabury
1946.....	P. Melville Larson
1946-47.....	F. L. Winship
1947-49.....	Bruce Roach
1947-52.....	Crandell Tolliver
1952-55.....	Robert Cape
1955-58.....	Ted Skinner
1958-61.....	R. B. Holland
1961-64.....	Don Streeter
1964-67.....	P. Melville Larson
1967-69.....	Curtis L. Pope
1969-70.....	C. L. Farr
1970-79.....	Robert Jeffrey
1979-82.....	William DeMougeot
1982-83.....	Ray Ewing
1983.....	William DeMougeot
1983-88.....	Ann Harrell
1988-89.....	Carrol Haggard
1989-91.....	Tyler Tindall
1991-95.....	June H. Smith
1995-98.....	Ralph Long
1998-2001.....	Lou Ann Seabourn
2001-2007.....	Randy Cox
2007-2012.....	Brent Hinkle
2012-2016.....	Lou Ann Seabourn
2016-2022.....	Carolyn Baum

We value the dedicated service of our current Executive Secretary, Mellessa Denny, as well as those that have preceded her.

## **TSCA Honorees/Outstanding Service**

### **TSCA Twenty-Five Year Honorees**

Jamie Cline  
 Mellessa Denny  
 John Mast  
 Martha Anne Pierson  
 Robert Shepard  
 Yolanda Silva

### **TSCA Forty-Year Honorees**

Ross Deleon  
 Lou Ann Seabourn  
 Cynthia Timmons  
 Debbie Waddell

**Thanks to these members for their dedication & commitment  
 to TSCA over the years!**

Note: If you are approaching a benchmark year of membership (25, 40 or 50 years) contact Jana Riggins at [jriggins@uiltexas.org](mailto:jriggins@uiltexas.org).

### **TSCA Outstanding Service Award Recipients**

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Faye Carpenter	Ralpha Long	W.E. Schuetz
Richard Cheatham	Sandra Lucaa	Lou Ann Seabourn
Norma Coston	Beverly Martin	Ann Shofner
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Trudy Hanson	Michael Merritte	Charlene Strickland
Martha Haun	Kerry Moore	Frances Sweeny
		Guy P. Yates

1974	Alonez Blackburn, Hawley HS	2007	Mary Jane Grant, Morehead MS
1975	Marjorie Best		Myrna Bass, Athens HS
1976	Pamela McDaniel, Boswell HS		Sarah Contreras, Del Mar College
1981	Lanny Naegelin, Churchill HS		Michael Elkins, Texas A&M Univ. Kingsville
1982	Jackie Jarrett, Coronado HS	2008	Sandra Jones, Killough MS
1984	Opal Hall, Denton HS		Barbara Garner, Duncanville HS
1985	Jean Clough, Ball HS		Amy Tilton Jones, Del Mar College
1986	Ron Dodson, Westlake HS		Shawn Wahl, Texas A&M, Corpus Christi
1987	Kerry Moore, Muleshoe HS	2009	Cheryl Miller, Henderson MS
1988	Ann Shofner, Tascosa HS		Robert Shepard, Creekview HS
1989	Paula Moeller, Hays HS		Wade Hescht, Lone Star College, North Harris
1990	Mildred Peveto, Newman Smith HS		Debbie Hatton, Sam Houston State Univ.
1991	Charlotte Brown, Gregory-Portland HS	2010	Gilbert Casas, McCollum HS
1992	Kandi King, Clark HS		Mike Jones, Del Mar College
1993	Roberta Grenfell, Klein HS	2011	George Pacheco, Jr., Angelo State University
1994	Sandra Lucas, Skyline HS		Karen Wilbanks, Plano Senior HS
	M'Liss S. Hindman, Tyler Junior College	2012	George Tennon, E. A. Olle MS
1995	Lana Hall, Hereford HS		Gay Hollis, James E. Taylor HS
	Linda Long, Northlake College		Jim Towns, Stephen F. Austin University
1996	Jana Riggins, Kaufman HS	2013	Stacy Thomas, The Kincaid School
	Leann Ellis, South Plains College		Kim Falco, Franklin HS
	Virginia Myers, Wayland Baptist Univ.		Victoria Beard, Spring Woods HS
1997	Joe D. Trevino, Jr., Bishop HS	2014	Kelly Kimball, Carroll HS
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1998	Connie McKee, Amarillo HS	2015	Melissa Witt, Dimmitt HS
	Ralph Long, Collin County Comm College		Mendy Meurer, Del Mar College
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1999	Mary C. Green, Pasadena HS	2016	Eloise Blair, Houston Lamar
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2000	William Schuetz, Gregory-Portland HS		Barbara Mayo, Northeast College
	Natalie Bryant, South Plains College		Aimee Kasprzyk, Blooming Grove HS
	Carley Dodd, Abilene Christian University	2018	Mellessa Denny, Amarillo High School
2001	Randy Ellis, Spring HS		Amy Aldrige Sanford, Texas A&M, CC
	Lou Ann Seabourn, Amarillo College	2019	Noah Recker, LaVernia High School
	Terry Thibodeaux, Sam Houston State Univ.		Justin Blacklock, San Antonio College
2002	Teresa Galiuzzo, Alief Hastings HS		Leslie Rodriguez, Angelo State University
	Jackie Ganschow, Del Mar College	2020	Lyn Esquivel, Tuloso-Midway MS
2003	R. Scott Allen, Hum ble ISD		Lindsay Petropolous, Rice MS
	Janna Holt-Day, South Plains College		Michael Merritte, Galveston Ball HS
	John Gossett, University of North Texas	2021	Brian Eanes, Ronald Reagan High School
2004	Linda Alderson, Boling HS		Amanda Jo Ratcliff, Tyler Junior College
	Catherine Gragg, San Jacinto College	2022	Ryan Lovell, Tascosa High School
	Robin Williamson, University of St. Thomas		Carolyn Baum, West Texas A&M University
2005	Sammy Green, Spring HS		
	Marla Chisholm, Del Mar College		
	Mary Trejo, University of Texas, El Paso		
2006	Sara Jane Barno, Hornedo MS		
	Barbara McCain, Plano East Senior HS		
	Charles Wise, St. Philip's College		
	Randy Cox, University of Texas, Austin		

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Ashley Donahue	Marilyn S. Kelly	Larry Preas	Joseph A. Willis
Judy Dorset	Genell Kelso	J.B. Prior	Walter Willis
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Tim C. Edgerly	Kandi King	Clydene Reep	Debbie Winkler
Jennifer Edwards	Russell Kirkscey	Jana Riggins	Charles N. Wise
Millard Eiland	Elizabeth Kizer	La Anna Rodriqs	Melissa Witt
Michael Elkins	Wayne Kraemer	Edwin Rowley	John Wright
Tolline Enger	Shannon LaBove	Robert Salm	Mabel Wyatt
Keith V. Erickson	Brian Lain	Ivan Sandlin	Patricia Wysong
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Ira Evers	Laverne Loving	William Schatte	
Tanya Evers	Russel Lowery-Hart		

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Jean Boles

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Ted Colson

Billie Etheridge

Opal Hall

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2006 Randy Ellis Cindi Timmons David Baker J.E. Masters	2013 Lee Ann Ince Michael Merritt Jane Boyd Sammy Green	2018 Grant Hahn Jay Stubbs Debbie Johnson
2007 Kandi King Bill Schuetz	2014 Diane Forbes Brent Hinkle Eloise Blair Dr. Rich Edwards	2019 Scott Baker Michael Harlan
2008 Joe Trevino Charlotte Brown Ann Shofner	2015 Chris Agee Dan Lingel Kay Magill Janet Melton	2020 Jason Sykes Renita Johnson
2009 Dave Huston Gary Boeger Barbara McCain Shawn Mena Aaron Timmons Karen Wilbanks	2016 Tim Cook Connie McKee Terri Robinson Sally Squibb-Tate	2021 Deborah Taylor Michelle Watkins Perry Beard
2012 Robert Shepard Kim Falco Billye Lucas Cheryl Potts	2017 Brian Eanes Rhonda Smith Gay Hollis Cecil Trent	2022 Vicki Beard Norma Coston Kirsten Nash Yolanda Silva

## **TIFA Educator of the Year**

1991	M'Liss S. Hindman, Tyler Junior College
1992	Guy P. Yates, West Texas A&M University
1993	James Mammerella, San Antonio College
1994	Carol & Barbara Hickey, University of Texas, Arlington
1995	Ron Ragston, University of Houston
1999	Dan West, Rice University
2003	Wade Hescht, Lone Star College, North Harris
2005	Wayne Kraemer, Texas State University
2006	Mary Trejo, University of Texas, El Paso
2007	Connie McKee, West Texas A&M University
2008	Randy Cox, University of Texas, Austin
2009	Jolinda Ramsey, San Antonio College
2010	Kathy Owens, Mary Hardin Baylor University
2011	Collier Patton, Lone Star College, Kingwood
2012	Leigh-Anne Williams, San Jacinto College
2013	David Worth, Rice University
2014	Sarah Contreras, Del Mar College
2017	Floyd McConnell, San Jacinto College – North
2018	Jeremy Hutchins, Texas State University
2019	Shannon LaBove, Rice University
2020	Julie Welker, Howard Payne University
2021	Justin Blacklock, San Antonio College
2022	Carlos Tarin, University of Texas at El Paso

# TSCA Conference 2024

## Call for Panels

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### Developing a New Generation of Leaders

An integral part of the communication discipline is the connection of high level skills in presentation and advocacy to the needs of new and emerging leaders. The 2024 convention will center around the theme of leadership as both a key component and key outcome of the communication disciplines.

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Send program questions and comments to:      Rory McKenzie,  
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Submit panels through your Interest Group Chairperson OR via Rory McKenzie.

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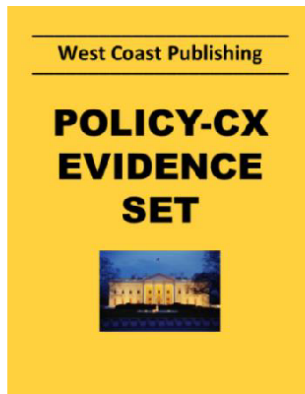


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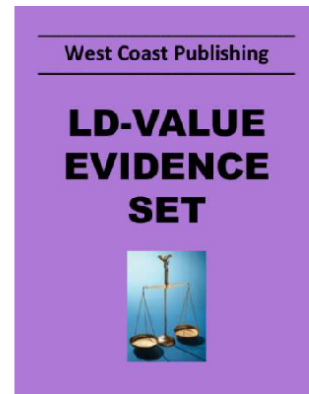
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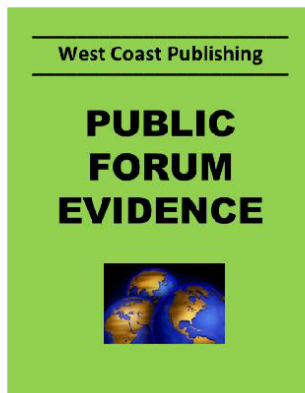
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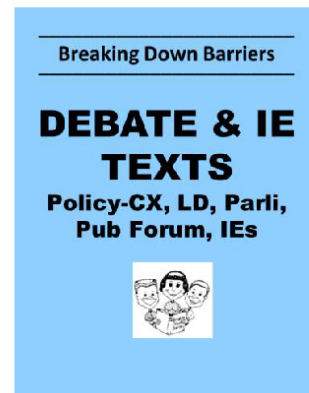
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**A-01 Room: Concorde A**

**Fruitful Seasons: Facilitating Student Growth Over a Forensics Career**

**Sponsor:** Texas Intercollegiate Forensic Association  
**Coordinator:** Jeremy Hutchins, Texas State University  
**Chair:** Sarah Contreras, Del Mar Community College

**Description:** This panel will consider challenges faced by students over the course of a forensics career and suggest some ways to help mitigate constraints to success. From issues of student retention and emotional labor to the evolution of performance and leadership styles, it is important to consider the long view and cumulative nature of competition and coaching.

**Presenters:**  
 Wade Hescht, Lone Star College-North Harris  
 Jeremy Hutchins, Texas State University  
 Sean Tiffée, Lone Star College-Tomball




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**A-02 Room: Concorde B**

**Tips and Tricks to Prepare to Run a Tournament**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in High Schools  
**Coordinator:** Neal White, Clark HS  
**Chair:** Bryce Piotrowski, Seven Lakes HS

**Description:** This panel is bringing together the Veteran Tournament Hosts who will help coaches expand their knowledge of how to run a tournament. While also providing tips to incorporate preparation for a tournament into your lesson plans. Prepare for Masters in Mentorship to share their secrets of success.

**Presenters:**  
 Andy Ziegler, Caprock HS  
 Neal White, Clark HS  
 Vicki Beard, Spring Woods HS  
 David Huston, Jasper HS  
 Bryce Piotrowski, Seven Lakes HS  
 Gay Hollis, Katy Taylor HS

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**A-03 Room: Concorde C**

**What I Wish I Knew: How I Grew**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in Middle Schools/TJSDA  
**Coordinator:** Kris Wright, Irma Rangel Young Women's Leadership School  
**Chair:** Kris Wright, Irma Rangel Young Women's Leadership School

**Description:** The first year of teaching can feel like a blur and sometimes like a tornado. We'll be looking back on our first year and reflecting on areas of growth. This session will give you ideas on implementation and allow you to give yourself some grace if the first year is/was less than perfect.

**Presenters:**  
 Jordan Donnelly, Jesus Morales Expressive Arts Vanguard  
 Angel Foster, Travis MS

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**A-04 Room: Directors' Room****Public Speaking Classes for Students with High Anxiety****Sponsor:** Instructional Development in the Colleges & Universities**Coordinator:** Andre Favors, Lamar University**Chair:** Mendy Meurer, Del Mar College**Description:** Strategies for reducing presentation apprehension and addressing the needs of students who exhibit high levels of anxiety in speech classroom settings.**Presenters:**

Andre Favors, Lamar University

Justin Blacklock, San Antonio College

Ruth Stanley, Del Mar College

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**A-05 Room: Westheimer****Book Talk: Communication Essentials****Sponsor:** Interpersonal/Organizational Communication**Coordinator:** Susanna Alford, University of the Incarnate Word**Chair:** Susanna Alford, University of the Incarnate Word**Description:** In 2022, McGraw-Hill published a business essential series. The first book in the series, Communication Essentials, was authored by Trey Guinn, a member of TSCA and professor at University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas.

In this workshop and discussion, Dr. Guinn will offer fresh insights and popular concepts from his book and how to teach them effectively. Additionally, he will facilitate conversation and field questions regarding the book material, authorship, publication process, etc.

About the book (from the publisher): No matter how great your knowledge, expertise or experience, poor communication skills undermine your ability to get your message across, achieve your objectives, and build crucial relationships. To advance your career—and succeed in other aspects of life, as well—building these skills is essential.

In Communication Essentials, expert Trey Guinn takes you step-by-step through the process of improvement, from understanding the importance of message clarity to specific, goal-based strategies to develop and maximize your skills.

In Part I: The Essentials, he covers the fundamentals, from why and how we communicate and what effective communication looks like to how it can all go wrong. In Part II: The Essentials Applied, he provides practical advice on identifying goals, owning your message, and anticipating how your audience will perceive you, the messenger. Finally, in Part III: Beyond the Essentials, you'll find practical tips to help you communicate your way into a job, improve your digital communication, work through difficult conversations, and much more.

Packed with insights, anecdotes, exercises, and Essential Takeaways to wrap up each chapter, Communication Essentials ensures you'll walk away feeling fully equipped and prepared to put your skills into action right away.

**Presenters:**Trey Guinn, University of the Incarnate Word

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**A-06 Room: Forum**

**Update on the Texas Speech Communication Journal**

**Sponsor:** Rhetoric and Communication Theory  
**Coordinator:** Amanda Jo Ratcliff, Tyler Junior College  
**Chair:** Amanda Jo Ratcliff, Tyler Junior College

**Description:** Join the editor of the Texas Speech Communication Journal for an update on the journal, an overview of the most recent volume, and discussion on the duties and election process for the editor of this publication. Looking to get your work included in the Texas Speech Communication Journal? This panel will also include a discussion of the current call for manuscripts and teaching activities.

**Presenters:**  
Amanda Jo Ratcliff, Tyler Junior College

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**A-07 Room: Richmond**

**Congress Prep Tips and Tricks**



**Sponsor:** Texas Forensic Association  
**Coordinator:** Nathaniel Council, Pampa HS  
**Chair:** Melissa Witt, Hereford HS

**Description:** Tools and Take-Aways to Help You Help Your Students Prepare for Congress Competition

**Presenters:**  
Melissa Witt, Hereford HS  
Melonie Menefee, Buffalo HS

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**A-08 Room: San Felipe A**

**"What Are We Reading this Year for UIL?"**

**Sponsor:** University Interscholastic League  
**Coordinator:** Ann Shofner, Tascosa HS  
**Chair:** Jana Riggins, UIL

**Description:** It is the year for new UIL Prose and Poetry categories! Want to know what they are? What they require? Then you should attend this session. Go home with a better knowledge of the categories so you can prepare your students for a successful year. It is time to grow!



**Presenters:**  
Jana Riggins, UIL Speech and Debate Director  
M'Liss Hindman, UIL Prose and Poetry Contest Director

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## Convention Luncheon

Friday, 12:00 pm

in Ballroom A&B

The luncheon will Feature the 2023 Communicator of the Year

### Denise Middleton



Denise Middleton is the weekend morning anchor and reporter at FOX 26 Houston. When she isn't covering breaking news or the top story of the day, she's working on in-depth stories through FOX 26 in Focus, which is a year long campaign that highlights important topics of concern in the greater Houston area. She was first inspired to become a journalist growing up in Houston, watching local newscasters. She's a proud graduate of James Madison Senior High School and the University of Houston. Denise was a recipient of several local scholarship programs, such as the Evan E. Worthing Scholarship Fund, the Linda Lorelle Scholarship Fund and the Soul Patrol Scholarship Program, a program supported by former presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton. During her senior year of high school, she was chosen to deliver the keynote speech at a fundraising gala for Soul Patrol, with former president George H.W. Bush and former first lady Barbara Bush in attendance. It was then, that she gained the confidence to continue to pursue a career in broadcast journalism. Denise landed her first job as a general assignment reporter in Hastings, Nebraska. From there, she headed south to Shreveport, Louisiana, where she worked as a morning anchor and reporter. Denise continued her career in Little Rock, Arkansas as an evening anchor for five years. She helped lead team coverage of Arkansas' controversial executions of multiple inmates in 2017. She has also covered many natural disasters from tornados to winter storms throughout her career. Denise is a member of the National Association of Black Journalists. She also serves on the board of directors for the Linda Lorelle Scholarship Fund, that provides major college scholarships and support to Houston area students.

FRIDAY—CONVENTION LUNCHEON

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**B-01      Room: Ballroom C**

**Legal Update**

**Sponsor:** President  
**Coordinator:** Ryan Lovell, Tascosa HS  
**Chair:** Ryan Lovell, Tascosa HS

**Description:** Nicole Cornish, now the Secondary Curriculum Director and UIL Coordinator for Athens ISD, will provide a summary of current and upcoming changes to the curriculum as it affects speech and debate curriculum/programming for the state. This session will provide an overview of legislative bills pertaining to education that were passed in the 88th legislature. There will be an opportunity for a Q&A with a district administrator to address questions and concerns that educators have regarding new legislation.

**Presenters:**  
 Nicole Cornish, Athens ISD

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**B-02      Room: Concorde A**

**Starting A Middle School Speech and Debate Program: An Overview of Events**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in Middle Schools/TJSDA  
**Coordinator:** Lindsey Petropoulos, Rice Middle School  
**Chair:** Heather Huffman, The Village School

**Description:** Developmentally appropriate speech and debate prepare students for college, career, and the future. Whether you're hoping to establish a class or an after-school program, come get some tips on how to start and run a speech and debate team no matter your level of experience. Presenters will include an overview of events that are common at the middle school level.

**Presenters:**  
 Heather Huffman, The Village School  
 Franz Hill, Lanier Middle School  
 George Tennison, E.A. Olle Middle School  
 Casey Garcia, Lone Star College North Harris

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**B-03      Room: Concorde B**

**Student Growth Through Reflection**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in High Schools

**Coordinator:** Stef Cambra, Royse City HS

**Chair:** Andrea Lewis, Shepton HS

**Description:** Evaluative tools in the competitive space - better strategies for self-reflection, goal setting, and self-evaluation BEYOND the ballot. Our students are focused on ranks (and sometimes our coaches are too), and this panel focuses on tips, tricks, and strategies for moving beyond ranks to meaningful reflection and growth mindset. Reflective practices how to get past the numbers and focus on how to help students progress and focus on their individual development.

**Presenters:**

Shelby Zarro, Rock Hill HS

Stef Cambra, Royse City HS

Kirsten Nash, Hendrickson HS

Amberley Tanner, Northwest HS

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**B-04      Room: Concorde C**

**Adapting for Gifted & Talented Students**

**Sponsor:** Multiple Instructional Levels

**Coordinator:** Heather Wallace, Borger High School

**Chair:** Heather Wallace, Borger High School

**Description:** Adapting to the needs of our gifted and talented students is vital to the continued success and commitment of these students. Understanding not only the areas of giftedness, but the Dabrowski tendencies and all things GT is key to unlocking student potential, avoiding the pitfalls of existential depression, and supporting every student individually for their success even if that means we grow a few grey hairs in the process.

**Presenters:**

Heather Wallace, Borger High School

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**B-05 Room: Westheimer**

**Making Strange Familiar: Theory in the HS Classroom**

**Sponsor:** Rhetoric and Communication Theory  
**Coordinator:** Zackery Carlock, Angelo State University  
**Chair:** Zackery Carlock, Angelo State University

**Description:** If you teach Communication courses, this panel is for you. One of the best ways to improve results with students' communication skills is giving them an understanding of "why" and not just the "how". Teaching Communication Theory, even at its most basic level, can help students understand why we communicate the way we do, rather than just having them know how to communicate more effectively. Come listen to, and ask questions of, the panelists who have worked to implement theory into Debate, Public Speaking (especially Dual-Credit), and Professional Communication classrooms, at the High School levels.

**Presenters:**  
 Zackery Carlock, Angelo State University  
 Joshua Wimberly, Midland Legacy Senior HS  
 Coby Evers, San Angelo Central HS

**B-06 Room: Forum**

**Advanced Extemp Sub-Structure**



**Sponsor:** Texas Forensic Association  
**Coordinator:** Nathaniel Council, Pampa HS  
**Chair:** Neal White, Clark HS

**Description:** Teaching tools and strategies for developing student execution of sub-points and interior elements.

**Presenters:**  
 Neal White, Clark HS  
 Kelsey Vincent, Bushland HS  
 Ann Shofner, UIL State Contest Director

**B-07 Room: Directors' Room**

**Helping New Coaches Thrive: A Proposal for a Forensics Teaching and Learning Academy**

**Sponsor:** Texas Intercollegiate Forensic Association  
**Coordinator:** Jeremy Hutchins, Texas State University  
**Chair:** Wayne Kraemer, Texas State University

**Description:** Inspired by programs used to help graduate students transition from student to lecturer in the college classroom, panelists will consider what an ideal program for training new forensics coaches might include. Elements such as curriculum, requirements, materials, and modality will be considered.

**Presenters:**  
 Justin Blacklock, San Antonio College  
 Hector Manriquez, Texas State University  
 Mark Paz, Texas State University  
 Sean Tiffie, Lone Star College - Tomball



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**B-08****Room: San Felipe A**

## Growing Together

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in the Colleges & Universities**Coordinator:** Trey Guinn, University of the Incarnate Word**Chair:** Trey Guinn, University of the Incarnate Word

**Description:** While college faculty are notorious for operating in silos, there are numerous benefits to cultivating connections across campus and collaborating on curriculum with colleagues. Trey Guinn, professor and department chair from UIW, will host a panel and conversation about this very topic. Examples from the panel may include (1) Theatre Arts and Film working together to simultaneously develop aspiring actors abilities to “act for the camera” and aspiring directors/producers gaining access to better trained actors; (2) Speech collaborating with Convergent Media to help students gain ability as better speakers who also understand the art of visual storytelling. Following the panel discussion, all attending will be invited to have an open conversation about the potential high impact and benefits to student learning when faculty collaborate.

**Presenters:**

Trey Guinn, University of the Incarnate Word

Darlene Carbajal, University of the Incarnate Word

Theresa Coronado, University of the Incarnate Word

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**B-09****Room: San Felipe B**

## AI Focus

**Sponsor:** Texas Forensic Association**Coordinator:** Nathaniel Council, Pampa HS**Chair:** Meredith MacLeod, Lebanon Trail HS

**Description:** AI (artificial intelligence) that teachers, coaches, and students can use to improve lessons, speaking material, and debate.

**Presenters:**Meredith MacLeod, Lebanon Trail HS

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FRIDAY—PANEL B PROGRAMS  
1:10-2:00

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**C-01 Room: Concorde A**

**Meet the Professional**

**Sponsor:** Theatre  
**Coordinator:** Timothy Haynes, Rankin HS  
**Chair:** Amy Kasprzyk, Corsicana HS

**Description:** Dylan Godwin is a Resident Acting Company Member at the Alley. He just returned from The Guthrie Theatre in Minneapolis reprising his role in Liz Duffy Adams' play *Born With Teeth*. At the Alley Theatre he has been seen in *Clue* (Wadsworth); *Born with Teeth* (Will); *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Demetrius, Snug); *Sense and Sensibility* (John Willoughby); Doris Baizley's *A Christmas Carol* (Clown 1, Ghost of Christmas Present); *Sweat* (Jason); *Fully Committed*; *The Winter's Tale* (Clown); Agatha Christie's *Murder on the Orient Express* (Hector MacQueen); *The Three Musketeers* (King Louis XIII); *Crimes of the Heart* (Barnette Lloyd); *Twelfth Night* (Sir Andrew Aguecheek); *Picasso at the Lapin Agile* (Albert Einstein); *Enlightened* (Mr. Strange); *Miller, Mississippi* (John Miller) at Dallas Theater Center/Alley All New Festival, and (end of message) (Max) at the Alley All New Festival; *Good People* (Stevie); *Ether Dome* (George Livingston); *Amadeus* (Venticello); Michael Wilson's *A Christmas Carol – A Ghost Story of Christmas* (Mrs. Dilber/Jacob Marley); *Peter Pan* (Tootles); and *Our Town*. He has appeared in every Alley All New Festival since its premiere in 2016. National Tour: *Fiddler on the Roof*. *Beauty and the Beast*, *110 in the Shade*, *Reefer Madness*, *The Music Man*, *First Date*, *Bonnie and Clyde*, *Oliver*, *Sweet Potato Queens* (With Melissa Manchester and Rupert Holmes at Theatre Under the Stars); *Life Could Be A Dream*, *Altar-Boyz* (Stages Theatre); *Ubu Roi*, *The Tempest* (Classical Theatre Company). In his free time Dylan maintains an acting studio in Houston and relishes the time he spends prepping high school and college students for those big steps into college and the professional theatre world.



**Presenters:**  
Dylan Godwin, Athens HS Grad & Alley Theatre Resident Company Member

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**C-02 Room: Concorde B**

**Speech Drills in Action...Drillin' like a Villain!**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in High Schools  
**Coordinator:** Neal White, Clark HS  
**Chair:** Amberley Tanner

**Description:** This hip panel will be interactive and you will be "Drillin' like a villain" in no time. Sit back and experience these classroom drills to help your students to develop their skills. It will be a panel packed with fresh and fun ideas to get your students up on their feet. Ready...set...speak!

**Presenters:**  
Neal White, Clark HS  
Meredith MacLeod, Lebanon Trail HS  
Andrea Lewis, Shepton HS

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**C-03 Room: Concorde C**

**#UIWCOMM CARES: For Students, By Students**

**Sponsor:** College and University Standing Committee  
**Coordinator:** Justin Blacklock, San Antonio College  
**Chair:** Trey Guinn, University of the Incarnate Word

**Description:** Data explains there is a decline of student enrollment across higher education. Considering the re-evaluation of enrollment programs and novel initiatives could lead us to discovering novel solutions to this problem. The need to study the impact of digital storytelling across social media platforms is imperative, as it could have implications on student enrollment. Variables to consider are the levels of satisfaction pertaining to departmental social media accounts, from the target audience.

**Presenters:**  
 Susanna Alford, University of the Incarnate Word  
 Mariaelena Chapa, University of the Incarnate Word  
 Melanie Calimag, University of the Incarnate Word

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**C-04 Room: Directors' Room**

**Teaching Debate in Middle School:  
A Community Advocacy Approach**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in Middle Schools/TJSDA  
**Coordinator:** George Tennison, E.A. Olle Middle School  
**Chair:** George Tennison, E.A. Olle Middle School

**Description:** This session will focus on re-conceptualizing debate to help students use their voices for community advocacy. Modifications for teaching real-world skills will be shared. (This is a continuation/extension of last year's popular session.)

**Presenters:**  
 Cindi Timmons, Dallas Urban Debate Alliance  
 Evan Gilbert, Dallas Urban Debate Alliance

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**C-05 Room: Westheimer**

**Intercultural Communication Appreciation**

**Sponsor:** Rhetoric and Communication Theory  
**Coordinator:** Mary Anna Kidd, McMurry University  
**Chair:** Mary Anna Kidd, McMurry University

**Description:** There are many challenges when it comes to teaching intercultural communication. It can be especially challenging to weave it into other courses such as the Basic Course or Business & Professional Communication classes. This roundtable discussion will focus on some of the challenges faced and methods to interweave intercultural communication effectively and engagingly.

**Presenters:**  
 Prairie Endres-Parnell, Tarleton State University  
 Andre A. Favors, Lamar University  
 Tony Kroll, Dallas College  
 Nicki L. Michalski, Lamar University

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**C-06 Room: Forum**

**College Trajectories**

**Sponsor:** Oral Interpretation and Performance Studies  
**Coordinator:** Cryste Beard, Cypress Ridge HS  
**Chair:** Reggie Chapman, Plano West Senior HS

**Description:** This panel explores the differences between high school and collegiate competition. Discussion will include alignment of high school organization with a college trajectory and suggestions for both adaptation and transition.

**Presenters:**  
 Reggie Chapman, Plano West Senior HS  
 M'Liss Hindman, Tyler Junior College  
 Kelsey Abele, West Texas A&M University  
 Eva Margarita, University of Texas at Austin  
 Brendon Bankey, University of Texas at Austin

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**C-07 Room: Richmond**

**Bridging the Gap Between Middle School and High School**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in Middle Schools/TJSDA  
**Coordinator:** Heather Huffman, The Village School  
**Chair:** Heather Huffman, The Village School

**Description:** A successful and interested middle school speech competitor usually means a successful and interested high school competitor. This panel will discuss how to develop a mentor program, recruitment ideas, summer camps, developing a library for middle school, designated team building days between middle school and high school, and vertical planning amongst coaches.

**Presenters:**  
 Lindsey Petropoulos, Rice Middle School  
 Lyn Esquivel, Tuloso Midway HS  
 Franz Hill, Lanier Middle School  
 Casey Garcia, Lone Star College North Harris

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**C-08 Room: San Felipe A**

**Activities & Ideas for Teaching Core Communication Courses in the College/University and Dual Credit Classroom**

**Sponsor:** Rhetoric and Communication Theory  
**Coordinator:** Leslie Rodriguez, Angelo State University  
**Chair:** Amanda Jo Ratcliff, Tyler Junior College

**Description:** This panel will present a variety of ideas and activities for teaching various core communication courses in the college/university and/or dual credit classroom. This panel is meant for both high school and college/university level educators.

**Presenters:**  
 Sarah Cho, University of Texas - Permian Basin  
 Rachel Martin Harlow, University of Texas - Permian Basin  
 Leslie Y. Rodriguez, Angelo State University

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**C-09**

**Room: Woodway**

## **The Value of Industry Certification**

**Sponsor:** Local Arrangements

**Coordinator:** Randy Cox, University of Texas at Austin

**Chair:** Michael Merritte, Galveston Ball HS (ret)

**Description:** Skills have become the global currency of the 21st century economies! In fact, in many business publications and studies, the top three employment certification-related skills are, respectively – Communication (oral and written), Project Management, and Microsoft Office.

In a world where competition for jobs, pay increases, and academic success continues to increase, certifications offer hope because they are a credible, third-party assessment of one's skill and knowledge for a given subject.

Join Keith German with Certiport, a Pearson VUE company, to explore some of the key benefits of certification which include: validation of knowledge, increased marketability, increased earning power, enhanced academic performance, improved reputation, enhanced credibility, increased confidence and respect from peers. Keith will also introduce participants to Certiport's Communication Skills for Business (CSB) certification and related resources for implementation of this increasingly popular program.

**Presenters:**

Keith German, CERTIPORT Territory Manager

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FRIDAY—PANEL C PROGRAMS  
2:10-3:00

## Interest Group Sessions

<b>3:10-4:00</b> <b>Interest Group Session 1:</b>	<b>ROOM:</b>
Instructional Development Middle Schools/ TFSDA	San Felipe A
Instructional Development in High Schools	San Felipe B
Instructional Development in Colleges & Universities	Concorde A

<b>4:10-5:00</b> <b>Interest Group Session 2:</b>	
Argumentation & Debate	San Felipe B
Oral Interpretation and Performance Studies	Concorde B
Rhetoric & Communication Theory	Director's Room
UIL	Westheimer

<b>5:10-6:00</b> <b>Interest Group Session 3:</b>	
Interpersonal & Organizational Communication	Richmond
Theater	Woodway
TIFA/TCCFA	San Felipe A
Diversity & Inclusion	Concorde C

# FRIDAY—PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION AND AWARDS

Few people have given as much in service throughout their tenure leading to the TSCA Presidency as Ryan Lovell. Whether it be communication with the SBOE and advocating for curriculum improvements throughout the state, serving on panels for various interest groups, following the changes in state laws as they affect speech and debate, or the massive effort it takes to put together the convention programming, Ryan Lovell has served as a remarkable President of the Texas Speech Communication Association.



**Join us as we celebrate Ryan Lovell at the President's Reception, Friday at 6:00 pm in the BLVD Room.**

**Educator of the Year and Service Awards will be presented**

## **2023 Educator of the Year Nominees:**

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**Nathaniel Council**

**Kirsten Nash**

**Amberley Tanner**

**Madi Gackenbach**

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**D-01 Room: Concorde A**
**Practice Makes Perfect**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in High Schools

**Coordinator:** Peter Dubrule, Coronado HS

**Chair:** Kyle Peterson, Coronado HS

**Description:** Communication teachers are frequently looking for ways to help students engage in new ways to practice and improve their presentations. This discussion will present a Phone/Tablet app, Pd-eyes, that will help the student practice and learn their speech. It provides feedback if the student is not looking at the audience. It will build on the students' confidence and help them transition from the on line active audience to a realistic audience that sits before them. The discussion will show how the App is used to help the presenter keep their eyes on their audience all while practicing their speech and while having fun with the game. This game allows them to build confidence through practice.

**Presenters:**

Peter Dubrule, El Paso Coronado HS

Kyle Peterson, El Paso Coronado HS

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**D-02 Room: Concorde B**
**Expanding MS Debate Through the World Schools Format**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in Middle Schools

**Coordinator:** George Tennison, E. A. Olle Middle School

**Chair:** Cindi Timmons, Dallas Urban Debate Alliance

**Description:** The World Schools Debate has been a feature in Texas high schools for a few years now; it is also an easily accessible format for teaching middle school students the fundamentals of debate. The National Association for Urban Debate Leagues' Coach of the Year will share tips on how he guides his large MS squad through the format and discuss the creation of more WS opportunities for MS students across the state.

**Presenters:**

Kris Wright, Irma Lerma Rangel Young Women's Leadership School

Cindi Timmons, Dallas Urban Debate Alliance

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**D-03 Room: Concorde C**
**Growing Through Social Skills**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in Middle Schools/TJSDA

**Coordinator:** Xochitl Callejo, Wiggs Middle School

**Chair:** Xochitl Callejo, Wiggs Middle School

**Description:** Part of growing into a confident person is being aware of ourselves and others. knowing the right thing to do in any social or business situation is paramount to successful interactions. Come join us for some classroom lessons that will help your students learn the basic how-to's of etiquette.

**Presenters:**

Sara Jane Barno, Hornedo MS

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**D-04 Room: Directors' Room****First Gen and Non Traditional Students—Adapting Those Students to the College Classroom**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in the Colleges & Universities

**Coordinator:** Mendy Meurer, Del Mar College

**Chair:** Mendy Meurer, Del Mar College

**Description:** This panel will address strategies for engaging with and helping provide for the unique circumstances faced by both first-generation and non-traditional students as they enter higher education.

**Presenters:**

Andre Favors, Lamar University

Justin Blacklock, San Antonio College

Mary Anna Kidd, McMurry University

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**D-05 Room: Westheimer****Executing Exclusive Events Abroad**

**Sponsor:** President

**Coordinator:** Ryan Lovell, Tascosa HS

**Chair:** Ryan Lovell, Tascosa HS

**Description:** This presentation by Drs. Karley A. Goen and Tracey M. Holley will cover aspects of team-work that enhance event planning. Students on a study abroad experience will be instructed in aspects of diminishing team roles and how to overcome those behaviors through positive team management, and will be applied to wedding planning, corporate contracting, and retreat design. Knowledge gained from these applied learning experiences will be shared with our conference audience with hints for application to other assignments and event production. We will provide an infographic for application. If technology is available, a PowerPoint demonstration will be implemented.

**Presenters:**

Karley A. Goen, Tarleton State University

Tracey M. Holley, Tarleton State University

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**D-06 Room: Forum****Advanced Congress Item Writing**

**Sponsor:** Texas Forensic Association

**Coordinator:** Nathaniel Council, Pampa HS

**Chair:** Neal White, Clark HS

**Description:** Guidelines for teaching legislative writing for students entered in the Congress categories.

**Presenters:**

Neal White, Clark HS

Gina Lozano, Jack C. Hays HS

Brian Alford, A&M Consolidated HS

Harry Yu, Memorial HS



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**D-07 Room: Richmond**

**Dramatic vs Traumatic: Thinking of Your Audience**

**Sponsor:** Texas Forensic Association & Oral Interp and Performance Studies  
**Coordinator:** Nathaniel Council, Pampa HS  
**Chair:** Cryste Beard, Cypress Ridge HS

**Description:** This panel will explore the concepts of emotional catharsis and "trauma dump" as it relates to performance practices in interpretation events, with the goal of fostering a healthy environment for students and audiences.

**Presenters:**  
 Terran Duhon, Saint Mary's Hall  
 Vicki Beard, Spring Woods HS  
 Stef Cambra, Royse City HS




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**D-08 Room: San Felipe A**

**Nurturing a Spirit of Advocacy: Forensics Beyond the Academy**

**Sponsor:** Texas Intercollegiate Forensic Association  
**Coordinator:** Jeremy Hutchins, Texas State University  
**Chair:** Floyd McConnell, San Jacinto College

**Description:** This panel will discuss how to best help students use what they have learned in forensics in advocacy contexts beyond the tournament, classroom, or campus. Forensics students are prime candidates to engage in issue promotion, service learning, community building and the like. Participants will focus on practical strategies for making the transition.

**Presenters:**  
 Shannon LaBove, Rice University  
 Joshua Miller, Texas State University  
 Carlos Tarin, University of Texas at El Paso




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**D-09 Room: San Felipe B**

**What Do We Do Next?**

**Sponsor:** University Interscholastic League  
**Coordinator:** Heather Soltero, Tascosa HS  
**Chair:** Lou Ann Seabourn, retired



**Description:** Now that you know the new UIL Prose and Poetry categories, join in on brainstorming for material ideas. Leave this session with handouts for getting your students involved with the new categories.

**Presenters:**  
 Mellessa Denny, Amarillo HS  
 Ann Shofner, UIL Speech Consultant

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**D-10**

**Room: Woodway**

## **Growing Through Technology**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in the Colleges & Universities

**Coordinator:** Trey Guinn, University of the Incarnate Word

**Chair:** Trey Guinn, University of the Incarnate Word

**Description:** Faculty across the university are implementing VR headsets and other innovative technologies in and out of the classroom. Trey Guinn, UIW communication professor and department chair, and his colleagues will share some of the experiences and learnings introducing innovative technologies like VR headsets into communication courses through activities like mock interviews, “dyad dates,” and delivering ted-style presentations. From there, participants will be invited to have an open conversation about trends and best practices for leveraging innovative technology in and out of the classroom.

**Presenters:**

Trey Guinn, University of the Incarnate Word

Darlene Carbajal, University of the Incarnate Word

Susanna Alford, University of the Incarnate Word

Marieelena Chapa, University of the Incarnate Word

Melanie Calimag, University of the Incarnate Word

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**Saturday, 10:00-11:15**

## **TSCA Second General Session**

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TSCA Officer Elections in Ballroom A&B**

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**SATURDAY—PANEL D PROGRAMS**  
**9:00-9:50**

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**E-01      Room: Concorde A**

## **Growth for the Teacher: New Ways to Invent the Grading System**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in High Schools  
**Coordinator:** Tammi Raley, Cypress Park HS  
**Chair:** Valerie Tagoe, Dallas Urban Debate Alliance

**Description:** This panel will focus on Teacher Grading Standards: using mastery grading methods to grow student achievement and decrease grading stress in the classroom.

**Presenters:**  
 Stef Cambra, Royse City HS  
 Heather Soltero, Tascosa HS

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**E-02      Room: Concorde B**

## **Advanced World Schools Debate - The Power of Three**

**Sponsor:** Vice President  
**Coordinator:** Cindi Timmons, Dallas Urban Debate Alliance  
**Chair:** Cindi Timmons, Dallas Urban Debate Alliance

**Description:** The coaches of the 2023 USA - World Champions team share what they have learned about the Power of Three: three arguments, three examples, the third argument, and the third speech. These strategies will help coaches take their WS teams to the next level in high school and middle school.

**Presenters:**  
 Aaron Timmons, USA Debate  
 Cindi Timmons, USA Debate

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**E-03      Room: Concorde C**

## **Middle School Swap Shop**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in Middle Schools/TJSDA  
**Coordinator:** Lindsey Petropoulos, Rice Middle School  
**Chair:** Lindsey Petropoulos, Rice Middle School

**Description:** Need some fresh ideas for your middle school speech class? Attend this gallery walk to experience what other teachers are doing and gather new and exciting lessons with materials. If you are new to the middle school speech and debate world, a facilitator will be available to help you reflect on your new learning and its application to your program.

**Presenters:**  
 Xochitl Callejo, Wiggs MS  
 Sara Jane Barno, Hornedo MS  
 Lindsey Petropoulos, Rice MS

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**E-04 Room: Directors' Room****A Time to Grow- Is Going Back for My Master's or PhD Right for Me?****Sponsor:** Instructional Development in the Colleges & Universities**Coordinator:** Mendy Meurer**Chair:** Amanda Jo Ratcliff

**Description:** Where do you see yourself professionally in five years? Ten years? Do your professional goals require an advanced degree? Join the panelists as they discuss factors to consider when deciding to pursue a Master's or doctorate degree. Additionally, the panel will share information about specific programs across the state and nation that offer online options to complete advanced degrees.

**Presenters:**

Mary Anna Kidd, McMurry University

Leslie Rodriguez, Angelo State University

Amanda Jo Ratcliff, Tyler Junior College

**E-06 Room: Forum****Starting a Booster Club****Sponsor:** Texas Forensic Association**Coordinator:** Nathaniel Council, Pampa HS**Chair:** Nathaniel Council, Pampa HS

**Description:** Tips and recommendations for starting a successful booster organization, along with ideas for fundraising and program maintenance.

**Presenters:**

Joshua Wimberley, Midland Legacy HS

**E-07 Room: Richmond****Finding Fertile Ground: Opportunities for Cultivating Fruitful Partnerships on Campus****Sponsor:** Texas Intercollegiate Forensic Association**Coordinator:** Jeremy Hutchins, Texas State University**Chair:** Shannon LaBove, Rice University

**Description:** This panel will discuss creating connections on campus that will help support and grow your team. From partnering with other student organizations, to designing forensics related curriculum, to coordinating with on campus experts, to facilitating public forensic performances there are a wide variety of existing opportunities to enrich the reputation and increase the membership of your organization.

**Presenters:**

Wayne Kraemer, Texas State University

Shannon LaBove, Rice University

Joshua Miller, Texas State University

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**E-08 Room: San Felipe A**

## Preparing CX Debaters for UIL Competition

**Sponsor:** University Interscholastic League  
**Coordinator:** Kelsey Vincent, Bushland HS  
**Chair:** Tim Haynes, Rankin HS

**Description:** State Champion CX Debate Coaches talk about how they prepared their teams for UIL. From changing their mindset, their material and their manner of delivery, learn how to better prepare your students for UIL success.



**Presenters:**  
 Tim Haynes, Rankin HS  
 Rory McKenzie, Lindale HS

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**E-09 Room: San Felipe B**

## Regrowing Texas Forensics in the Post-Covid Age

**Sponsor:** Vice President  
**Coordinator:** Randy Cox, University of Texas at Austin  
**Chair:** Robert Shepard, Plano HS

**Description:** In the emergence from the Covid crisis, schools across the state have struggled with ways to rebuild program participation to match pre-Covid levels. Additionally, the demographic makeup of student populations across the state continue to evolve. This panel will address successful approaches to student engagement and suggest new strategies to grow student involvement and bring new student communities into the conversation.

**Presenters:**  
 Robert Shepard, Plano HS  
 Eddy Cavazos, Harlingen HS South  
 Heath Martin, Alief Elsik HS  
 Kim Falco, Franklin HS  
 Mellessa Denny, Amarillo High School

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**E-10 Room: Woodway**

## Empowering Student Growth through Choice

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in High Schools  
**Coordinator:** Neal White, Clark HS  
**Chair:** LaDonna Watson, Abilene Cooper HS

**Description:** This panel will show the need for choice and Interactive lessons in the classroom. Panelists will share lessons and methodology to support the need for more choice in communications.

**Presenters:**  
 Kelsey Vincent, Bushland HS  
 LaDonna Watson, Cooper HS  
 Adrienne McCann, Gaston Middle School

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**F-01 Room: Concorde A****Critical Pedagogy: Teaching Students to Teach****Sponsor:** Instructional Development in High Schools**Coordinator:** Gay Hollis, Katy Taylor HS**Chair:** Wendy Curran-Meyer, Lewisville ISD

**Description:** Building lessons to train your students to be able to teach and take ownership of their learning. This panel hopes to show the benefits of teaching students to invest in their own development, how to grow into leadership, and finally, how to get them hooked on teaching so they will want to pursue a degree in education.

**Presenters:**

Kris Wright, Irma Rangel Young Women's Leadership School

JP Fugler, Lindale HS

Shelby Zarro, Rock Hill HS

Kelley Moore, Dallas Urban Debate Alliance

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**F-02 Room: Concorde B****Growing Through Games in Your Classroom****Sponsor:** Instructional Development in Middle Schools/TJSDA**Coordinator:** Sara Jane Barno, Hornedo MS**Chair:** Sara Jane Barno, Hornedo MS

**Description:** Use fun games in your classroom to encourage experimentation, creative risk-taking and to provide repeat low-stress opportunities to practice (and praise)! Through playing games students can learn skills like fluency, articulation and impromptu speaking.

**Presenters:**

Xochitl Callejo, Wiggs MS

Lindsey Petropoulos, Rice MS

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**F-04 Room: Directors' Room**

**Growing Ourselves as Mentors and  
Our Students as Researchers**

**Sponsor:** Instructional Development in the Colleges & Universities  
**Coordinator:** Mendy Meurer, Del Mar College  
**Chair:** Leslie Rodriquez, Angelo State University

**Description:** As TSCA successfully held their first undergraduate and graduate research conference last year, we would like to share advice and recommendations on mentoring students interested in presenting their scholarship. Participation in undergraduate student research is a "high-impact practice" that increases students' persistence and graduation rates (Kuh & Kenzie, 2018). Faculty can also benefit from participating in mentoring practices. Panelists will share their experiences with mentoring student research projects and provide recommendations on how we have encouraged and guided students to present their work at local, state, regional, and national conferences.

Citation:

Kuh, G.D., & Kinzie, J. (2018, May 1). What really makes a 'high-impact' practice high impact? Inside Higher Ed. Retrieved from [insidehighered.com](http://insidehighered.com)

**Presenters:**  
 Andre Favors, Lamar University  
 O'Brien Stanley, Lamar University  
 Nicki Michalski, Lamar University  
 Sheila Springer, Lamar University

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**F-06 Room: Forum**

**Growing in Debate: Using Philosophy Effectively**

**Sponsor:** Texas Forensic Association  
**Coordinator:** Nathaniel Council, Pampa HS  
**Chair:** Melissa Witt, Hereford HS



**Description:** Philosophy in Debate: Activities to use in the classroom and Suggested Readings

**Presenters:**  
 Melissa Witt, Hereford HS  
 Adesuwa Omoruyi, Alief Taylor HS  
 Nathaniel Council, Pampa HS

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**F-07 Room: Richmond****Planting Productive Seeds: Encouraging Student Participation  
from Classroom to Competition**

**Sponsor:** Texas Intercollegiate Forensic Association  
**Coordinator:** Jeremy Hutchins, Texas State University  
**Chair:** M'Liss Hindman, Tyler Junior College

**Description:** This slightly different take on a GIFTS panel focuses on how to move students from traditional speech courses into competitive forensics. Panelists will discuss strategies and provide concrete methods for creating interest and building a bridge from classroom to tournament.

**Presenters:**  
 M'Liss Hindman, Tyler Junior College  
 Sarah Contreras, Del Mar College  
 Wade Hescht, Lone Star College-North Harris



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**F-08 Room: San Felipe A****Time for UIL District! How Do I Help my Interpers?**

**Sponsor:** University Interscholastic League  
**Coordinator:** Ann Shofner, Tascosa HS  
**Chair:** Ann Shofner, Tascosa HS



**Description:** This session will focus on coaching UIL Poetry and Prose with two experienced Texas coaches. Learn about cutting, developing characters, delivery skills and just general information to take your students to the next level.

**Presenters:**  
 Stef Cambra, Royse City HS  
 Shawn Duthie, Holliday High School

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**F-09 Room: San Felipe B****Focus on Student Research**

**Sponsor:** College and University Standing Committee  
**Coordinator:** Justin Blacklock, San Antonio College  
**Chair:** Amanda Jo Ratcliff, Tyler Junior College

**Description:** Students participating in the Graduate and Undergraduate Research Conference present their research. Submissions of student work were evaluated in a double-blind review process for consideration of the Top Student Paper Award. The award will be presented at the end of this session. The Top Paper Award recipient will receive a cash prize and will work with the Texas Speech Communication Journal editor to revise the paper to standards of publication in the upcoming volume of the journal.

**Presenters:**  
 Nia Burroughs, San Antonio College, "The Eye of the Beholder: The New Black Experience in America"  
 Jordan Wommack, East Texas Baptist University, "Context Based Analysis of Compliance Gaining Within Animal Rights Activism"  
 Sebastian Nichols, East Texas Baptist University, "Police Interrogation, Compliance Gaining, and the Reid Technique"

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**F-10**

**Room: Woodway**

## **Advanced Congressional Debate**

**Sponsor:** Texas Forensic Association  
**Coordinator:** Nathaniel Council, Pampa HS  
**Chair:** Neal White, Clark HS

**Description:** Teaching tools and advanced argumentation strategies for students involved in Student Congress.

**Presenters:**  
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Quest Sandel, Ascend Speech & Debate  
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Abele, Kelsey..... C6  
 Alford, Brian ..... D6  
 Alford, Susanna ..... A5 C3 D10

## B

Bankey, Brendon ..... C6  
 Barno, Sarah Jane ..... D3 E3 F2  
 Beard, Christine..... C6 D7  
 Beard, Victoria .....A2 D7  
 Blacklock, Justin  
 .....A4 B7 C3 D4 F9  
 Burroughs, Nia..... F9

## C

Calimag, Melanie..... C3 D10  
 Callejo, Xochitl ..... D3 E3 F2  
 Cambra, Stef.....B3 D7 E1 F8  
 Carbajal, Darlene .....B8 D10  
 Carlock, Zachery..... B5  
 Cavazos, Eddy ..... E9  
 Chapa, Mariaelena..... C3 D10  
 Chapman, Reggie ..... C6  
 Cho, Sarah ..... C8  
 Contreras, Sarah ..... F7  
 Coronado, Theresa.....B8  
 Cornish, Nicole.....B1  
 Council, Nathaniel  
 ..... A7 D6 D7 E6 F6 F10  
 Cox, Randy.....E9  
 Curran Meyer, Wendy ..... F1

## D

Denny, Mellessa.....D9 E9  
 Donnelly, Jordan .....A3  
 Dubrule, Peter..... D1  
 Duhon, Terran..... D7  
 Duthie, Shawn ..... F8

## E

Esquivel, Lynn.....C7  
 Evers, Coby.....B5  
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## F

Falco, Kim .....E9  
 Favors, Andre.....A4 C5 F4  
 Foster, Angel.....A3  
 Fugler, JP ..... F1

## G

Garcia, Casey .....B2 C7  
 German, Keith ..... C9  
 Gilbert, Evan.....C4 E2  
 Godwin, Dylan ..... C1  
 Goen, Karly .....D5  
 Guinn, Trey .....A5 B8 C3 D10

## H

Harlow, Rachel Martin ..... C8  
 Haynes, Timothy.....C1 E8  
 Hescht, Wade .....A1 F7  
 Hill, Franz .....B2 C7  
 Hindman, M'Liss S..... A8 C6 F7  
 Holley, Tracey ..... D5  
 Hollis, Gay.....A2 F1  
 Huffman, Heather..... B2 C7 F3  
 Huston, Dave ..... A2  
 Hutchins, Jeremy  
 ..... A1 B7 D8 E7 F7

## K

Kidd, Mary Anna .....C5 D4 E4  
 Kraemer, Wayne ..... B7 E7  
 Kroll, Tony..... C5

## L

LaBove, Shannon ..... D8 E7  
 Lewis, Andrew.....B3 C2  
 Lovell, Ryan ..... B1 D5 F10  
 Lozano, Gina ..... D6

## M

MacLeod, Meredith..... C2  
 Margarita, Eva ..... C6  
 Martin, Heath ..... E9  
 McCann, Adrienne.....E10  
 McConnell, Floyd .....D8  
 McKenzie, Rory ..... E8  
 Menefee, Melonie .....A7  
 Merritte, Michael..... C9  
 Meurer, Mendy .....A4 D4 E4 F4  
 Michalski, Nicki .....C5 F4  
 Miller, Joshua ..... D8 E7  
 Moore, Kelley ..... F1

## N

Nash, Kirsten..... B3  
 Nichols, Sebastian ..... F9

## O

Omoruyi, Adesuwa ..... F6

## P

Peterson, Kyle.....D1  
 Petropolous, Lindsey  
 ..... B2 C7 E3 F2  
 Piotrowski, Bryce.....A2 F10

## R

Ratcliff, Amanda Jo .... A6 C8 E4 F9  
 Riggins, Jana .....A8  
 Rodriguez, Leslie ..... C8 E4 F4

## S

Sandel, Quest.....F10  
 Seabourn, Lou Ann .....D9  
 Shepard, Robert..... E9  
 Shofner, Ann .....A8 B6 D9 F8  
 Soltero, Heather ..... D9 E1  
 Springer, Sheila ..... F4  
 Stanley, Ruth .....A4  
 Stanley, O'Brien..... F4

## T

Tagoe, Valeri..... E1  
 Tanner, Amberley ..... B3 C2  
 Tarin, Carlos .....D8  
 Tennison, George .....B2 C4 D2 E2  
 Tiffie, Sean.....A1  
 Timmons, Aaron ..... E2  
 Timmons, Cindi .....C4 D2 E2

## V

Vincent, Kelsey ..... B6 (E8) E10

## W

Wallace, Heather ..... B4  
 Watson, LaDonna ..... E10  
 White, Neal  
 ..... A2 B6 C2 D6 E10 F10  
 Wimberley, Joshua..... B5 E6  
 Witt, Melissa .....A7 F6  
 Womack, Jordan..... F9  
 Wright, Kris..... A3 D2 F1

## Y

Yu, Harry .....D6

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10/13/2023	Panel C Program (1 hour)	
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10/13/2023	Interest Group #3 (1 hour)	
10/13/2023	TFA Interest Group Meeting #2 (2 hours)	Prefilled, cross out if not applicable
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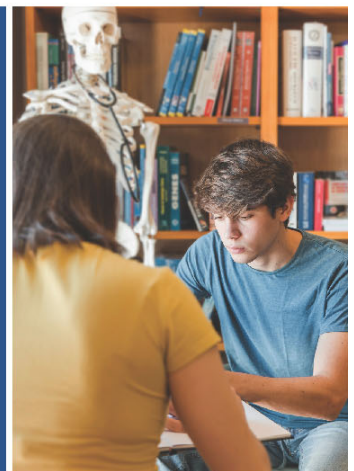
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- Responses to psychologists
- Responses to economists
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- Topic Analysis
  - Philosophical Influences
  - Psychological Influences
- Definitions
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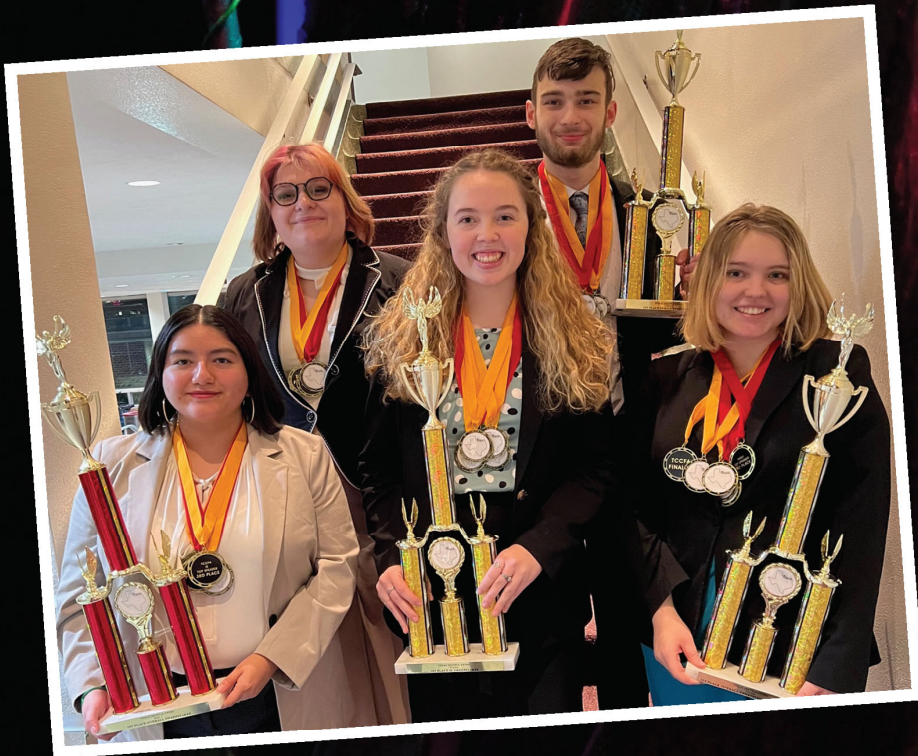
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  - oTopic Analysis
  - oDefinitions
  - o4 Cases Cut for Time
  - oAdditional Cards
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