

Leadership Team Times

November 2019

Online Legislative Update Training Available!

The 86th Texas Legislature met for 140 days in spring 2019. Many characterized the session as the “public education session” because of the great focus on reforming the school finance system, related property tax system, and school safety. The Online Learning Center (OLC) is now offering an interactive online Legislative Summary course, which provides an overview of the session and individual bill summaries for the many new laws on how school boards and school districts should operate.



Completion of this course can count for your Tier 1 legislative update credit. If you've already earned Tier 1 credit but would like access to the interactive summary as a reference tool, we also offer a free, non-credit version of this course. Access the OLC through the Member Center (tasb.org/trustees) or use your myTASB credentials at onlinelearning.tasb.org to enroll in both versions of the course.

Training, Events, & Reminders

2019 Fall Legal Seminar

- Nov. 1 — Austin, TASB
- Nov. 5 — Beaumont, Region 5 ESC
- Nov. 7 — Abilene, Region 14 ESC
- Nov. 13 — Kilgore, Region 7 ESC
- Nov. 14 — Commerce, Texas A&M University-Commerce
- Nov. 16 — South Padre Island, Hilton Garden Inn

Online Learning Center (OLC): Courses available 24/7 at onlinelearning.tasb.org

Make Plans for Camp in 2020!

Move over, Winter Governance Seminar: It's time for Governance Camp! Don't worry—you won't need to pitch a tent on the beaches of Galveston, and bug spray and sunscreen won't be necessary. You'll still be enjoying the wonderful amenities of the Galveston Convention Center and surrounding hotels along with the fantastic content focused on student voice, leadership, and governance you've come to expect from this annual conference. The idea of Camp is that you will grow as a leader, leaving refreshed and ready to head home with new ideas and tools, while looking forward to returning next year to see the familiar faces of trustees you met. In a nutshell, there are a number of things that make Camp a one-of-a-kind learning experience for attendees:



- A beautiful venue with ocean views in an easy-to-navigate setting
- Smaller, more intimate crowd, perfect for making friends with board members from across the state
- Opportunities to mix and mingle with session presenters and TASB staff
- Students sharing their educational experiences, opinions, and ideas to help guide your work as a trustee

Interested in going to Camp in 2020? Visit tasb.org/gov-camp for details or contact TASB at 800.580.8272.

Did You Know?

TASB can help you with new members joining your board.

Share this guide to help them transition to public service: tasb.org/new-board-member.



A Journey to Excellence Begins January 10

TASB is looking for new, aspiring, and experienced board officers to join the next cohort of A Journey to Excellence: Board Officers' Academy Remote Coaching. Designed to meet your unique needs as a board officer, this blended learning experience includes six modules in the Online Learning Center (OLC), five live webinars, and three hours of one-on-one coaching. Session topics will help you understand the roles of school board officers, know how to run an effective meeting, learn to successfully deal with different personality types, and provide useful feedback to other board members. In the November 2019 issue of the *Texas Lone Star*, the course is described as combining the best of both in-person and online learning.

Register at onlinelearning.tasb.org using discount code **JE2020LTT** by December 12 for \$50 off and free registration to the Board Officers' Forum: Directing Your Focus as a Board Officer course.

Congratulations, LTASB Class of 2020

Let's congratulate the incoming Leadership TASB (LTASB) participants:
Winford Adams, Spring ISD • Mark Anderson, Bridge City ISD • Terri Arthur, Beeville ISD • Melinda Barajas, Mathis ISD • Charles Bardwell, Huffman ISD • Shannon Beasley, Medina Valley ISD • Nichole Bentley, Coppell ISD • David Busch, Lorena ISD • Jerry Campbell, Bluff Dale ISD • Shelli Conway, Anna ISD • Leigh Crawshaw, West ISD • DeLeon English, Little Elm ISD • Clifton Fendley, Paris ISD • DeAndrea Fleming, DeSoto ISD • Barbara Jo Green, Forney ISD • Tyrrel Grohman, Nacogdoches ISD • John Havenstrite, Eanes ISD • Bryan Holubec, Thrall ISD • Doug James, Klein ISD • Eulalio Mendez, Lyford CISD • Keith Myers, Burkburnett ISD • Patricia Nation, Tyler ISD • David Noll, Allen ISD • Eva Orona, Robstown ISD • Marnie Pate, Port Aransas ISD • T.J. Penn, Rochelle ISD • Linda Platt-Bryant, West Orange-Cove CISD • JD Rodriguez III, Dilley ISD • Rochelle Ross, Hurst-Eules-Bedford ISD • Chad Rudy, Frisco ISD • Katherine Sells, Lewisville ISD • Amy Smith, Lovejoy ISD • Suzanne Soto, Splendora ISD • Anne Sung, Houston ISD • Joe Uribes, Crystal City ISD • Andrea Walton, Midlothian ISD

A Name Change is Coming

The TASB division known as Leadership Team Services (LTS) will be changing its name to Board Development Services next month. The new name more clearly reflects the services we provide to members, which includes board development, consulting services, conferences and events, continuing education reporting services, an online learning center, and a variety of information resources. The division will continue to focus on helping our members be more effective in making decisions that improve education for children across Texas.

Timely Resources

These TASB resources may be especially useful this time of year:

- A President's Guide to Facilitating Superintendent Evaluations
- A New Board Member's Guide to Superintendent Evaluations
- The Board's Role in Improving Student Achievement

Go to LTS.tasb.org for a complete list of resources.

Contact Us

Leadership Team Times is produced by the TASB Leadership Team Services (LTS) Division. For more information about LTS and its training opportunities and services, plus an electronic version of this newsletter, go to LTS.tasb.org. Contact Orin Moore at orin.moore@tasb.org with questions or comments.