



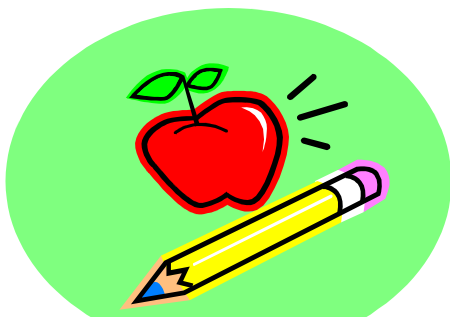
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## TSTA TATTLER

### What's Up This Semester

As the school year is up going now there are so many things to become involved in. Texas State Teacher's Association – Student Program is the perfect opportunity for pre-service teachers to get the support they need while they are going through, or preparing to go through, their teacher certification program. Each month we will have two meetings that will focus on topics and issues that will supplement what you are learning in your classes.

This is also a great opportunity to learn more about the National Education Association and what they are doing to help teachers across



the nation. There are many issues that are flying around in the political arenas that will affect you once you become a teacher. It is important to know who will be there to help you in your journey of becoming a teacher.

Be sure to check out our website or our bulletin board for the most up to date information about what is going on in TSTA. This semester is full of fun activities and community service projects that are sure to be a blast!

### Can Anybody Say Bar-B-Q?

Do you like good ole' Texas Bar-B-Q? At our first meeting on September 9<sup>th</sup> we will be having our meeting in the courtyard. So come on by and grab some grub. It will be a great opportunity for you to sign up for TSTA and get a really cool t-shirt! It will also be a good time for you to meet and get to know your professors outside of the classroom scene.

### Halloween Carnival

On October 26<sup>th</sup> we will be having our annual Halloween Carnival. This has always been a huge success! The carnival is open to any children in Lubbock and the surrounding community. This year we will be having our carnival in the basement of the Education building. There is much to do before the carnival. Gather donations, creating activity booths, and publicizing the event are just a few ways you can help out. If something like this really interests you and would like to be in charge of planning the event please contact Heather. Look for further details about how you can get involved through our email updates.

### Meeting Dates

All of our meetings are at 6pm in the Basement of the College of Education. Each meeting will have a wonderful speaker, door prizes, and snacks!

September 7	September 21
October 5	October 26
November 9	November 30
December 7	

## Tips for Student Teachers

- Elementary
  - Glue is a good source of vitamin E, as well as U, L, and G
- Middle School
  - Repeat everything at least twice, repeat everything at least twice
- High School
  - Just because they are listening to headphones and are snoring does not mean they won't correct you if you say something wrong.
- NO MATTER WHAT – Have a wonderful time; always remember to smile!



## Officers

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Susan Myers

## Wanted:

Do you need any volunteer hours?

The College of Education has partnered with Ramirez Charter School. The school is looking for college students who are willing to volunteer in helping out. Opportunities include helping out in after school programs, one on one tutoring, and teacher assistants. If you are interested please contact Peggie Price. [peggie.price@ttu.edu](mailto:peggie.price@ttu.edu)

## Upcoming Events

### Scholastic Book Fair

October 11-14 in the basement of the Education Building

### Halloween Carnival

October 26 6pm-9pm in the basement of the Education Building

### Carol of Lights

December 3<sup>th</sup>

### Tech Home Football Games

Sept. 4 – New Mexico

Oct. 9 – Texas A&M

Oct. 16- Iowa St.

## Congratulations

Our very own Heather Smith has been appointed to the Legislative and Political Action Committee. She will be serving TSTA as the Student Program Representative to the committee. With all of the election campaigns this fall she is sure to have a wonderful time learning more about TSTA/NEA's involvement in the political arena and representing the student program. Be sure to stay tuned for more information concerning political involvement. AND...

**GET REGISTERED TO VOTE!**

## How to Join

So have we convinced you yet? Would you like to know how to join TSTA? It is quick and painless. All you have to do is fill out a short form. Dues are \$35 and include a t-shirt. Forms are located in a number of places: on our bulletin board, on our website, or outside Dr. Price's office, room 318.

Check out our Website  
[www.orgs.ttu.edu/tstasp](http://www.orgs.ttu.edu/tstasp)

## Reason to Join

- 10- Largest pre-professional teaching organization on campus
- 9- Great opportunities for networking
- 8- Speakers who specialize in subjects important to you
- 7- State and National Support
- 6- Fabulous Officers
- 5- A network of teachers and students who offer support through your certification program and beyond
- 4- Opportunities to work with students
- 3- Community Service
- 2- Lesson Plan Swaps
- 1- Super Snacks at the meetings!

# 2003-04 TSTA/NEA STUDENT PROGRAM ENROLLMENT FORM

FIRST NAME, MI, LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS (STREET OR P.O. BOX NUMBER) \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

AREA CODE/HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY \_\_\_\_\_

**\$23.00**

NEA/TSTA-SP/DUES \_\_\_\_\_ PAC\*\* (\$2 suggested amount) \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL PAID \_\_\_\_\_

ETHNIC CODES (optional)		
<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaska Native	<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic	<input type="checkbox"/> Black
<input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific Islander	<input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian (Not of Spanish Origin)	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Designated

PLEASE HELP US BY FILLING IN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION
Graduation Date: _____
I will be student teaching:
Fall _____
Spring _____
Class: Fr.____ So.____ Jr.____ Sr.____ Other _____
____ Please check if you would like to receive TSTA's weekly email <i>Briefing</i> .

MEMBER SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE (Month, Day, Year) \_\_\_\_\_

Texas State Teachers Association Student Program is the college or university affiliate of the National Education Association and the Texas State Teachers Association. TSTA-SP is jointly sponsored by TSTA and NEA. Its primary purpose is to provide college and university students who are in teacher training with professional experience and training in the work of professional organizations at the local, state and national levels.

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OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_ EMPLOYER: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues payments and contributions to NEA FCPE, TSTA-PAC and local PACs are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Dues payments may be deductible as a miscellaneous itemized deduction. Annual membership dues to NEA includes \$4.00 for a subscription to *NEA Today*.

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