

# **Oregon TSA**

**State Leadership Conference** 



## Welcome!

Welcome to the Oregon Technology Student Association (TSA) State Conference! We are thrilled to have you join us for this exciting and enriching event that brings together the brightest young minds and dedicated educators from across the state. Your involvement and commitment to shaping the next generation of leaders in STEM and technology education is truly invaluable.

This year's conference promises to be full of inspiration, innovation, and opportunities to collaborate with colleagues from across Oregon. We have worked diligently to create an experience that fosters not only student growth but also the professional development of advisors like you. We know that the success of our students is largely due to your passion, guidance, and hard work, and we are grateful for your continued support of the TSA program.

In this packet, you will find all the important details you need to help you navigate the conference, basic event schedules and sessions to logistics and key contacts. Please take a moment to review everything and feel free to reach out to us with any questions or concerns. Our team is here to ensure that you have a smooth and successful experience.

As an advisor, you play a crucial role in empowering your students to explore their talents, push their limits, and showcase their skills. This conference is a celebration of all the hard work your students have put in, and we hope you take pride in seeing their accomplishments.

Thank you for your dedication to the TSA mission. We look forward to a memorable event and the opportunity to continue working together to inspire and prepare our future leaders in technology, engineering, and beyond.

Best regards,

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## REGISTRATION DETAILS AND TENTATIVE AGENDA

Conference Date: April 7, 2025

#### **Registration Fee | Includes Lunch**

**\$25 per attendee**. Competitors must be registered members of TSA in the National Database by March 6, 2025. Registration will open **March 6, 2025 at 7:00 a.m.** and close **March 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.** 

#### **Conference Location**

The Dalles Armory 402 E. Scenic Drive, The Dalles, OR 97058

### **Tentative Agenda**

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Check in/Registration	
9:30 AM – 9:50 AM	Opening Session   Keynote Address	
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Competitive Events/Workshops	
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00 PM - 3:15 PM	Competitive Events/Workshops	
3:30 PM - 4:15 PM	Awards Session	



## **REGISTRATION PROCESS**

#### Step One:

For comprehensive details, including critical registration dates and procedures, please visit the State Leadership Conference page <a href="here">here</a>. Detailed instructions on the registration process will be posted soon.

#### **Step Two:**

Submit/Upload Required Competition Submissions. **All pre-conference submissions** are due by 5:00 PM PT March 27, 2025.

#### **Step Three:**

Complete Registration Payment:

- Registration payments should be made via check, payable to "Oregon TSA."
- Checks should be mailed to the following address:
   Oregon TSA
   P.O. Box 1440
   Owasso, OK 74055

#### **Step Four:**

Complete the Student Code of Conduct Requirements:

- A <u>Form B: Student Code of Conduct and Medical Release</u> must be completed for each student attending the conference. This form should be collected and in the advisor's possession on site.
- Advisors must also upload <u>Form A: Advisors' Statement of Assurance</u> during State Leadership Conference registration. This form affirms that a <u>Form B</u> for each student has been collected and will be in the advisor's possession.

Please ensure all forms are completed and submitted in a timely manner to facilitate a smooth registration process. Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out.



## COMPETITIVE EVENT GUIDELINES

Students may participate in multiple events; however, they must be registered by the designated registration deadline for all events they wish to compete in. Please note that, depending on the number of participants in each event, we cannot guarantee the resolution of time conflicts for events scheduled concurrently.

\*We strongly encourage advisors to review the event schedule carefully when registering students for multiple competitions to ensure all conflicts are considered.

#### \* NOTE: DRAGSTER DESIGN WILL NOT BE OFFERED.

Below are the number of students that can compete in each event being offered:

Event	# of Participants	Event Type
Audio Podcasting	Teams of 1 to 6	Competitive Event material submitted
		pre-conference**
*Coding	Teams of 2	On-Site 1-hour Test
		On-Site 2-hour Challenge
Digital Video Production	Teams of 3	On-Site 10-Minute Interview**
Engineering Design	Teams of 3 to 6	On-Site 15-Minute Interview and
		Presentation
Fashion Design and Technology	Teams of 2 to 4	On-Site 10-Minute Interview and
		Presentation
On-Demand Video Production	Teams of 1 to 6	On-Site from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM;
		submission deadline 1:45 PM
Photographic Technology	Individual Event	On-Site 10-Minute Interview and
		Presentation
Software Development	Teams of 3	On-Site 10-Minute Interview and
		Presentation
*Systems Control Technology	Teams of 3	On-Site 2-Hour Event
*Technology Bowl	Teams of 3	Tournament – Max of 8 teams;
		qualifying testing window 7:00 AM
		March 25-5:00 PM March 27, 2025**
*Technology Problem Solving	Teams of 2	On-Site 90-Minute Challenge
*VEX Robotics	Teams of 2 to 6	Tournament 60-second matches
Webmaster	Teams of 1 to 5	On-Site 10-Minute Interview**

<sup>\*</sup>Students may not compete in another event during scheduled timeframe. Please visit the Oregon TSA state conference website <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a> for competitive events information.

Competitive event guidelines and other chapter resources are available on the Total TSA tab with your TSA membership login.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Requires pre-conference submission and/or online qualifying test. Submission deadline is 5:00 PM PT March 27, 2025.



### **COMPETITION ATTIRE**

Oregon TSA has a dress code for all conference events and activities. Advisors, parents, and chaperones are responsible for ensuring that all TSA student members adhere to the proper attire guidelines.

To purchase official TSA attire, including pins, patches, and ties, visit the National TSA store. The store also offers casual apparel and other non-apparel items that can be customized with your school or state logo!

#### **State Conference Dress Code**

Top: official royal blue TSA shirt

Bottom: pants or at least knee-length skirt

- Unacceptable: jeans; jeggings; leggings; baggy pants; exterior pocket pants; shorts.
- Shoes: black dress shoes worn with black or dark blue socks, hosiery (optional)
- Open-toed shoes or sandals are acceptable
- Unacceptable: athletic shoes; flip-flops; military boots; or work boots

During general sessions, student members are required to wear competition attire, including a blazer and tie, if applicable. Adults should dress appropriately for the event. TSA contestants must consult the National TSA Conference Competitive Events Guide (CEG) for detailed attire requirements for each specific event.



## STATE OFFICER ELECTIONS AND HOW TO RUN FOR OFFICE

#### **Elections**

Elections for the State Officer Team will be held onsite at the State Leadership Conference. Each registered chapter will be allocated two voting delegates, who will serve as the chapter's representatives in the election process. These delegates will be responsible for casting votes on behalf of their chapter during the election. Approved candidates for the State Officer Team will have the opportunity to present their platforms and deliver speeches to the conference attendees during the Welcome Session. This is an important moment for candidates to showcase their leadership vision and engage with fellow members. All voting delegates and candidates are encouraged to participate fully in the election process to ensure a fair and representative selection of officers for the upcoming year.

#### How to Run for Office

Student members interested in running for office can access the Candidate Guide on the <u>oregontsa.org</u> website. This guide provides detailed information about the election process, requirements, and responsibilities associated with serving as a State Officer. Additionally, the necessary signature forms and the State Officer Application are available for download on the same website. We encourage all prospective candidates to carefully review these materials and ensure all forms are completed and submitted in accordance with the guidelines provided.