



Session Schedule

- Based upon the survey feedback that we received about the session schedule, we are making a change to Session 5. The revised schedule is as follows:
 - Session 3 – September 15-16, 2022
 - Session 4 – January 11-13, 2022
 - Session 5 – April 21-22, 2023 (new)
 - Session 6 – June 15-16, 2023

Session 3 Objectives

- Training Objectives
 - Share your advocacy plan with another district and seek feedback
 - Prepare for mock legislative hearings and meetings with legislators
 - Choose your own Learning Experience
 - Choose from a variety of learning experience options that align best with the goals in your advocacy plan
 - Legislator perspective
 - Capitol Tour
- Draft Session Schedule
 - September 14: Reception 5:30pm-7:00pm
 - September 15: Training 8:30am-5:00pm
 - September 16: Training 8:30am-12:00pm

Your District's Completed Advocacy Plan

- During Session 3, you will have time to work on a key element of your Advocacy Plan. We will create learning experiences that align with a key goal in your plan. Each district will have the opportunity to choose which experience that they want to pursue.
- To help me to design these experiences in the most meaningful way, please forward to me a copy of your completed advocacy plan by June 17th so that I can tailor the experience to your need.

What to pack

- We will spend a lot of time at the Capitol from this point forward, so please encourage your district attendees to bring comfortable walking shoes. (Trust me on this.)

Hotel

- Raise Your Hand Texas (Jane Shipwash) will book the hotel accommodations for all of the attendees using the information that your district provides.
- We are still working on the hotel location and will update you on that at a later date.
- Raise Your Hand Texas will be billed directly for the hotel rooms for the superintendent and trustee attendees. Other school district staff will provide payment for their hotel room.

Transportation

- For this session, we will spend more of our time at the Capitol.
- If you are more comfortable having a car with you rather than using Uber/Lyft, you could consider parking at the [Capitol Visitor Parking garage](#). (This might be good practice for game-time!)

Session 3 Attendees

- As you begin to think about which Trustees will attend Session 3, consider that it may be helpful (but not required) to have some trustee(s) that have previously attended Session 2 to also attend this session and also bring some new trustees if they are also interested.
- Reviewing the Session 3 objectives may be helpful in determining the best assortment of Trustees to bring. Session 4 will focus on legislative mock hearing training at the Capitol.
- We will continue to use spreadsheets to communicate your travel needs, and we would like to have all responses reflected in your district's travel spreadsheet (below) by August 1.
 - [Amarillo ISD Session 3 Travel Plans](#)
 - [DeKalb ISD Session 3 Travel Plans](#)
 - [Ector County ISD Session 3 Travel Plans](#)
 - [Gregory-Portland ISD Session 3 Travel Plans](#)
 - [Katy ISD Session 3 Travel Plans](#)
 - [Lake Worth ISD Session 3 Travel Plans](#)
 - [San Elizario ISD Session 3 Travel Plans](#)
 - [Tornillo ISD Session 3 Travel Plans](#)

Check in

If you would like, I would enjoy checking in with you to see how everything is going. I have set up a number of options during the month of August from which you can choose if you'd also like to touch base and check in. Here's the [link to sign up](#) for an August meeting time.

Summary of Next Steps

- Identify Session 3 attendees and complete your district's Session 3 travel spreadsheet by August 1.
- Sign up for an August check-in time with me and your Regional Advocacy Director (if you'd like).