

Discover the Delegate experience.

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The role of a Delegate

TASB's Delegate Assembly is the once-a-year opportunity for TASB members to have a voice in the overall direction of the Association. Each Active Member sends a Delegate to participate in the Assembly. This ensures that every school and education service center board that is a TASB Active Member has a vote on the issues under consideration.

“Attending Delegate Assembly is important because it provides an opportunity to represent my school board's voice in shaping key policies and decisions that affect education.”

– Carolyn Booker
Westwood ISD

As your board's representative, you serve as the voice not just for your board, but also your district, your students, and your community.

Here are the key things you need to know to prepare for your role as a Delegate.



20 days before the assembly

The *Delegate Handbook* and Nominations Committee Report will be posted in late August. These materials cover the action items under consideration by this year's Assembly. You will receive an email when the materials are available. Then, it's time to prepare for the meeting.

- 1. Review the materials.** Make sure you are familiar with all the items under consideration.
- 2. Come prepared to share your district's voice.** Work with your fellow board members to determine how your board stands on the action items and if you have concerns to take to the Assembly.
- 3. Study the Delegate Assembly rules and Action Form.** Like any governing body, there are rules and processes to ensure a productive meeting.
- 4. Watch your mail!** You will receive an envelope with your Delegate ribbon (or Alternate), which you can attach to your name badge when you arrive at the txEDCON. This ribbon will grant you access to all of the Delegate Assembly activities.

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Day of the assembly

12:30–1:30 p.m.

Regional Caucus, Hilton Americas–Houston:

You will start your Delegate duties by attending your regional caucus. This is a great opportunity to meet with colleagues from your region, including your TASB Directors. You will discuss the agenda items and get answers to any questions you may have about the Assembly and processes.

Lunch will be provided!

1:45 p.m.

Action Forms, George R. Brown Convention Center:

You may use the Action Form at the back of the *Handbook* to pull items for individual consideration or to propose an amendment to an item. The forms must be turned in to the Information Center near the Assembly floor entrance by 1:45 p.m.

2–4:30 p.m.

Assembly, George R. Brown Convention Center:

The Assembly will convene promptly at 2 p.m. You should plan to arrive by 1:45 p.m. so you can find your section on the floor, which is divided by TASB region. TASB staff members, holding red clipboards, are assigned to each area to check you in and assist you during the meeting.

“ I did not know what to expect for my first time at Delegate Assembly, but it was highly informative and educational. Being a Delegate is something I plan on doing again and again!”

– Jessie Campolla
Highland Park ISD–Potter County



But what about...?

If you have any questions about Delegate Assembly, we are here to help! Your TASB Directors will be with you every step of the way, leading your regional caucus and sitting near you on the Assembly floor. TASB staff will be stationed at the Information Center near the main entrance of the Assembly floor from noon until the end of the meeting.

If you have questions before the meeting, contact the TASB Board and Management Services team at **800-580-8272** or membercommunications@tasb.org.



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