

Angela Rocha

Subject: FW: Invitation to Join Consortium's School Transformation Work

-----Original Message-----

From: Narciso Garcia [<mailto:narciso.garcia@lavillaisd.org>]

Sent: Monday, November 18, 2013 7:35 PM

To: Cornelio Gonzalez; Tony Lara

Subject: FW: Invitation to Join Consortium's School Transformation Work

Gentleman,

Thank you, our school district would not be receiving this invitation if it hadn't been for the direct support of our Region One ESC. Once again it is a blessing to work with such great and knowledgeable professionals like you gentleman. Once again thank you, and God bless you.

Narciso

From: executiveoffice@tasanet.org [executiveoffice@tasanet.org]

Sent: Monday, November 18, 2013 3:05 PM

To: Narciso Garcia

Subject: Invitation to Join Consortium's School Transformation Work

[<http://www.tasanet.org/cms/lib07/TX01923126/Centricity/shared/images/email/tasa.jpg>]

Dear Narciso:

The member districts of the Texas High Performance Schools Consortium (THPSC) are extending an invitation to other districts to join an expanded network of schools dedicated to transforming K-12 education for the children of Texas. Many districts are engaged in transformation work similar to the work of the Consortium, and the THPSC believes that by sharing ideas, resources, talents, and results, we will capture the energy needed to design a public education system that prepares students for the future they will inhabit.

Please find in the attachment to this email these major components:

- * A description of the background leading to the formation of the Texas High Performance Schools Consortium
- * The initiatives of the Consortium as charged by SB 1557 high-priority learning standards, digital integration, multiple assessments, and community-based accountability
- * The intention of the Consortium to expand the K-12 transformation initiative statewide
- * The expectations of Consortium Associates and benefits of joining the work
- * The link to the online application and the details for submission to TASA

We look forward to receiving your application and are excited about the potential for a powerful group of districts representing Texas children across the state to transform public

education so that all Texas students are future ready. Please direct any questions to Susan Holley, sholley@tasanet.org or (512) 477-6361.

We are extending this invitation on behalf of the following members of the Texas High Performance Schools Consortium:

Anderson-Shiro CISD	Harlingen ISD	McKinney ISD
Clear Creek ISD	Highland Park ISD	Northwest ISD
College Station ISD	Irving ISD	Prosper ISD
Coppell ISD	Klein ISD	Richardson ISD
Duncanville ISD	Lake Travis ISD	Roscoe Collegiate ISD
Eanes ISD	Lancaster ISD	Round Rock ISD
Glen Rose ISD	Lewisville ISD	White Oak ISD
Guthrie ISD	McAllen ISD	

Thank you.

Johnny L. Veselka
Executive Director

Angela Rocha

Subject: FW: Great trainings

From: Friend, Donald [dfriend@lfcisd.net]
Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2013 12:06 PM
To: Patty Rendon
Cc: Melissa A. Sanchez
Subject: Great trainings

Mrs. Rendon,

I have completed your series of trainings at VMA in SB. I felt like the participants should have given you a big round of applause. You know everything about your area and share it in a way that is very down to earth and comfortable.

You may remember me. At the end I waited to speak with you briefly. It ended up that there were others with the same idea. When I spoke my words didn't come out quite as planned. I said, "You have made this more than tolerable."

That doesn't come close to what I wanted to say. When I was assigned to the training, I didn't think I would be able to sit through it. After the first morning, I realized that you are such a genuine person with so much knowledge about your topic. I became very much interested and want to implement a strong program in my class. What I wanted to say was that you made the training way more than tolerable. It was great and you are a very lovely person. Thank you and MAY GOD BLESS YOU.

Donald Friend- LFCISD

CONFIDENTIALITY NOTICE: This email & attached documents may contain confidential information. All information is intended only for the use of the named recipient. If you are not the named recipient, you are not authorized to read, disclose, copy, distribute or take any action in reliance on the information and any action other than immediate delivery to the named recipient is strictly prohibited. If you have received this email in error, do not read the information and please immediately notify sender by telephone to arrange for a return of the original documents. If you are the named recipient you are not authorized to reveal any of this information to any other unauthorized person. If you did not receive all pages listed or if pages are not legible, please immediately notify sender by phone.

Angela Rocha

Subject: FW: My thanks

From: Tina Atkins

Sent: Monday, December 02, 2013 5:29 PM

To: Ricardo L. Lopez, Jr; Nicole A. Saenz Curry; Kristopher L. McKinney; Claudia Gutierrez; Melissa Lopez; Jose M. Castillo; Abel Diaz; Jessie Doria; Elizabeth Garcia; Yolanda Olivo; Norma McCormick

Cc: Cornelio Gonzalez; Eduardo Cancino; Hermelinda Hesbrook

Subject: My thanks

Good afternoon!

Over the long weekend I was reflecting on everything that I am thankful for, and I began to think of your work that has taken place with this program over the past month. I want to take a moment to thank you for the tremendous amount of effort that has come out of this office! Over the past month, our small group has touched the lives of many parents, students, and educators and I am very proud of each and every one of you and your labors. I know that we have been “down” three people (hooray that David is back today!!!), but you all have been exceptionally proactive with providing service to our educators and families! I know that this entailed many evenings and weekends on your part, and I truly appreciate your dedication to our families, and your willingness to be so visible in our communities.

Over the course of the last month, for teachers and administrators----

- Two district leadership trainings occurred (the other two were in October) touching over 200 administrators and educators,
- Over 70 administrators (superintendents, central office, high school principals, and deans of instruction participated in training with Dr. Kay Merseth, Director of Teacher Education at Harvard,
- Over 55 high school math teachers participated in training with Dr. John Boller, mathematics professor at the University of Chicago and adjunct professor at Harvard,
- Over 40 educators, three banking executives and three non-profit/college partners participated with us in the GEAR UP state conference, at which we had five presentations,
- CORE follow-up occurred for over 150 math, science, and social studies teachers.
- At least 16 math and science teachers received coaching visits to help them implement strategies and new technology in their classrooms
- More than 30 content teachers participated in graduate content courses with UTB, UTPA, and Harvard.
- Facilitator trainings and Technical Assistance Cadre training occurred for facilitators.

For students and families, we provided the following and were participants in all evening events:

- Approximately 200 students participated in cybermentoring sessions with Monica del Toro, Monte Alto graduate, Stanford graduate, Harvard graduate, and former Harvard admissions professional.
- Over 100 students participated in Student Leadership Council webinars.
- Fall Family College Readiness Evening Events (Scavenger Hunts at STC, UTB and International Bank of Commerce in Brownsville) took place for over 300 parents and students
- Family Outreach Training at UTB and Weslaco (200 participants)
- Evening Movie Premier events (approximately 1300 family members) occurred at the following campuses through the project:
 - Lyford
 - Raymondville
 - Weslaco
 - Falfurrias
 - Mercedes
 - Edinburg North
 - LBJ High School
 - Rio Grande City High School
 - La Grulla High School
 - La Villa Movie
 - Santa Maria
 - La Feria
 - Hidalgo
 - Rio Hondo
 - PSJA Southwest
 - Tailgate College Event at La Villa (over 150 people)

This week, we also have a full plate, with a two day counselor institute and Student Leadership Cadre training at which we expect over 100 students.

This is one month. It's a lot. It's important work, and I know our kids, families and educators could not be in better hands. I'm extremely grateful to have such an energetic, brilliant, collaborative and upbeat team.

Please know that you, along with your exemplary work, are much appreciated.

Angela Rocha

Subject: FW: assistance with application

From: Cynthia Vasquez [<mailto:cvasquez@splendoraisd.org>]

Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2013 9:25 AM

To: Joanna Perez

Subject: FW:

Hello again,

Thank you so much for your help this morning! You were a lifesaver. I appreciate your idea about getting the transcripts from ECISD.

Both transcript are attached to this email.

Once again, thank you!

*Cynthia D. Vasquez, M. Ed.
Dean of College & Career Readiness
Splendor High School*

Angela Rocha

Subject: FW: Thank You

From: Rolando Hernandez/STET [<mailto:rhernandez@horizon.ms>]

Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2013 7:03 PM

To: Kimberly L. Keller; America Retana; Lori A. Ramos; Erika R. Leal; Sandra Bazan; Carmen Ocanas-Lerma; Gilbert Requena

Subject: Thank You

TEAM

I am extremely happy to announce that we had a very good Administrative Review. We only had two minor findings (adult price meal, and verification individual report). I want to thank you for all your support and guidance in getting us ready for the AR. Without your valuable training and guidance and most important "patience" this would have not been possible. Once again thank you.

Rolando Hernandez
Food Service Director
South Texas Educational Technologies
Horizon Montessori Schools
2402 E. Business 83
Weslaco, Texas 78596
956-968-0264
956-968-4546 Fax
www.stet.co