



2020-21 Tennessee TSA Advisor Updates

November 16, 2020

Upcoming Chapter Affiliation Deadline

2020-21 TSA affiliation is available via the [national TSA website](#). Participation in TSA competitions allows TSA members to apply technology and engineering skills in challenging and innovative ways. Working individually or as a team, student members are motivated by the inspiration and enthusiasm gained from being recognized for the successful application of those skills. Tennessee TSA requires all conference attendees to be affiliated members of TSA, so to be able to compete at 2021 Regional Conferences, chapters must affiliate to be able to complete the chapter registration and affiliation process. **National TSA's priority affiliation deadline is November 20, however chapters have until December 15 to ensure they are affiliated.** For detailed instructions on how to affiliate, click [here](#).

2021 Regional Conferences

In an effort to accommodate the varied and ever changing restrictions on districts, as well as the concern for the safety of all of our active membership, TN TSA will be offering virtual regional conferences in 2021. We encourage you to check the TN TSA website on **November 20** for updated information, including dates, contest offerings, and a link to live registration. The 2020-21 TSA Themes and Problems can be found [here](#).

Any questions regarding Regional Conferences should be directed to your respective regional coordinator.

- West TN Regional Coordinator - [Taylyn Hill](#)
- Middle TN Regional Coordinator - [Noah Kelley](#)
- East TN Regional Coordinator - [Elizabeth Bulay](#)

2021-2022 State Officer Candidate Applications

[State Officer Candidate Applications](#) are live on the TN TSA website. The Tennessee TSA State Officer program offers student members the opportunity to build leadership skills, travel, and represent the organization at the local, state and national levels. Applications are due **January 31, 2020**.



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Questions regarding serving as a State Officer, the State Officer Candidate program, and Officer Candidate responsibilities at the 2021 State Leadership Conference can be directed toward the State Officer Team via social media (@tennesseetsa) on all platforms. Questions can also be sent to the TN TSA State Officer Coach, [Keith Stubblebine](#).

Awards & Scholarships

Each year, TN TSA provides opportunities for outstanding advisors, students, and chapters to be recognized. We hope that you consider nominating an exceptional candidate(s) for the following categories:

- [Advisor of the Year](#) - The Advisor of the Year Award recognizes two advisors that go above and beyond for their chapter, community, and state.
- [Chapter Excellence Award](#) - The Chapter Excellence Award recognizes two chapters for their success in membership growth, competitive events, and competitive excellence.
- [Distinguished Student Award](#) - The Distinguished Student Award recognizes two students for their service, competitive excellence, and passion for TNTSA.

Award nominations are due **March 1, 2021**.

TN TSA also provides three distinct student scholarships each year. The scholarships offered are:

- **Dr. Bob Hanson Scholarship** - The Dr. Bob Hanson Scholarship is named for one of the founders of Tennessee TSA, Dr. Robert Hanson, Retired Technology Education Professor from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville. This scholarship is awarded annually to a deserving student who has been accepted to a college or university.
- **Dr. Tom D'Apolito Scholarship** - Dr. Tom D'Apolito Scholarship is named after the TN TSA Technology Engineering Education Program Consultant and longtime National Corporate Member, Dr. Tom D'Apolito. This scholarship is



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given to a student who is majoring in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics or to a student who's pursuing higher education.

- **Dustin Heavilon Engineering Scholarship** - Dusty Heavilon Scholarship is named after a former TN TSA member who died in a plane crash in high school. Dusty had a passion for engineering, so this scholarship is given to an individual who plans to pursue a degree in engineering and has been accepted to a college or university.

[Scholarship applications](#) are due **March 1, 2021**. Questions regarding Awards & Scholarships should be directed to [Keith Stubblebine](#).

Alumni Involvement

TN TSA loves our alumni! The association would be nothing if it wasn't for the passion, input and involvement of so many exceptional student members. Although students ultimately graduate and move on to new educational pursuits, we don't want them to cease involvement with their association. Their continued partnership will only strengthen TN TSA. If you know any current TSA alumni that are looking to remain involved with TSA, earn volunteer hours, or simply would like to hear about potential engagement opportunities, we would love for them to reconnect with us here. The [form](#) takes less than a minute to complete!
<http://www.tntsa.org/alumni.html>

Any questions about alumni involvement? Contact [Keith Stubblebine](#).

Important Links

Affiliation - [2020-21 TN TSA Affiliation](#)

Calendar - [2020-21 TN TSA Calendar](#)

Competitive Events - [2020-21 TN TSA Competition Information](#)

Conference Information - [Conference Information](#)

Advisor Resource Center - [Advisor Resource Center](#)

Staff - [Staff Contact Information](#)



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Upcoming Dates and Deadlines

- **Nov. 20: National TSA Priority Membership Affiliation Deadline**
- **Nov. 20: Regional Conference Registration Opens**
- **Dec. 15: Membership Deadline to Compete at Regional Conferences**
- **Dec. 15: Regional Conference Registration Deadline**
- **Jan. 5: Regional Conferences Payment Deadline**
- **Jan. 31: State Officer Candidate Application Deadline**
- **Mar. 1: Scholarship and Awards Deadline**