



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
Staff Senate™

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Hello TTU Staff Members,

Welcome to 2021! We are so proud of *each* and *every* single one of you for your accomplishments, your growth, your contributions to yourselves, your families, and your community over the past year. We have returned to campus ready to serve and support you as a vital part of the Red Raider family.

The Staff Senate wants you to know that as a valued member of the Red Raider Family, *You Have a Voice*. We invite you to [submit an issue](#) as we are here to represent your interests and concerns to the greater Texas Tech community and administration. We also welcome suggestions and feedback by email at staffsenate@ttu.edu.

We acknowledge that we are still overcoming challenging times and one of the ways we can support others is through recognizing their efforts. A little appreciation goes a long way to provide encouragement to our fellow staff, so we invite you to take a moment out of your day to recognize staff contributions by giving a [Bravo!](#) The Bravo! Board is an initiative created by Staff Senate as a way for faculty, staff, or students to recognize TTU staff members for their job well done.

While COVID-19 vaccines have become available to those who fall into categories 1A and 1B, it is still important that we all continue to do our part to keep the TTU and Lubbock community safe. We encourage you to take the [TTU Commitment Pledge](#), continue to wear your mask, practice social distancing, wash your hands frequently, and stay home if you are ill.

Read below for Senate and campus updates, campus resources and upcoming events.

Stay safe, and Wreck 'Em!

Update on Vaccine Distribution Process

The City of Lubbock offered just over 100 COVID-19 vaccines to the university in the first allotment for faculty and staff that qualify under [Phase 1B](#). An email was sent to a small group of employees (sorted alphabetically) over the age of 65 or have been granted an ADA accommodation. These employees were allowed to R.S.V.P. for a vaccination clinic being held by the city today.

Beginning Friday at noon, those employees that qualify for [Phase 1B](#) can submit their vaccination request through this [link](#).

In the meantime, we suggest that you check with your health care provider, or you may try registering for an upcoming vaccination clinic offered through the [Lubbock Health Department](#).

We will continue to work with the city and the state to obtain these vaccines as they are released in phases. Additionally, a [COVID-19 vaccine page](#) has recently been activated.

CAMPUS EVENTS

Spring Series Book Club

Session 1: January 14th

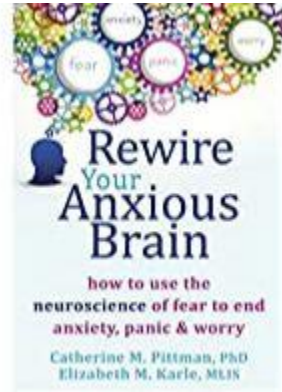
Session 2: January 28th

Session 3: February 11th

2- 2:50PM, Zoom

Read *Rewire Your Anxious Brain: How to Use the Neuroscience of Fear to End Anxiety, Panic and Worry* by Catherine Pittman; club lead by Kristi Collins of TTUHSC Counseling Center.

Register through [Cornerstone](#) or email maclay.buie@ttu.edu.



The Library Makerspace is offering FREE online workshops using Zoom/ Mediasite for faculty, staff and students!

Register: <https://cal.library.ttu.edu/calendar>.

Find Workshop Reruns in the [TTU Mediasite Catalog](#): Sign-in with your eRaider

and search for "Makerspace".

Next Level CAD: TinkerCAD

(Beginner - Intermediate Level)

Wednesday, January 20th, 4-6pm

Take your Tinkering to the next level! Take an advanced deep-dive into using TinkerCAD for your 3D printing projects.



EHS Virtual Open House

Thursday, January 14th and

Wednesday, January 20th

12:30-1:30PM, Zoom

Learn about safety resources at TTU and have your safety questions answered by safety experts!

[Register>>](#)



Happy Half Hour: StandOut Assessment

Wednesday, Jan. 20th 2PM Zoom

The brief assessment identifies "StandOut Roles," the combination of traits that helps you stand out at work, and helps you see where you are at your best.

Please register via Cornerstone at <https://ttu.csod.com/samldefault.aspx> under "Happy Half Hour" or email maclay.buie@ttu.edu.



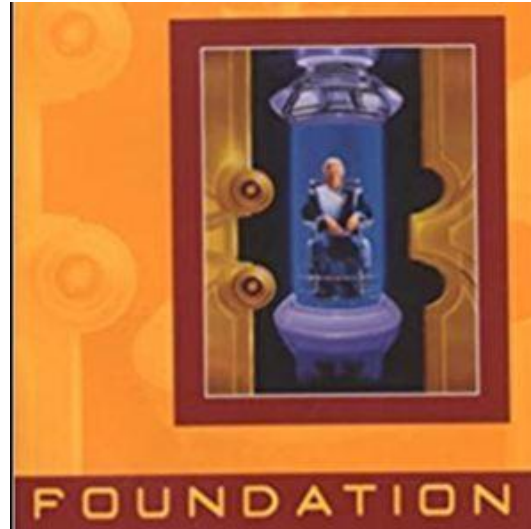
*How to Create Good Habits (and
Replace Bad Ones)*

Tuesday, January 26th

1:15 - 2:30PM, Zoom

Join Human Resources for the return of the Spring Learning Series as we discuss habit change just in time for the new year!

Please register via Cornerstone at <https://ttu.csod.com/samldefault.aspx> under "Spring Learning Series" or email maclay.buie@ttu.edu.



*Alternate Worlds: Science Fiction &
Fantasy Book Club*

Foundation by Isaac Asimov

February 1st, 8th and 15th

7 - 8:30PM via Zoom

Email blaine.grimes@ttu.edu to RSVP.
Participants will be required to obtain a copy of the book at their expense.



Employee Assistance Program

The Counseling Center @ TTUHSC provides consultation and therapeutic services to employers, and their employees, with the primary mission being to promote health and wellness in the workplace. Call 806.743.1327 or 800.327.0328 to schedule an appointment. [Read more>>](#)



Congratulations to the 2020 President's Excellence Award in Academic Advising recipients! Thank you for your dedication to our students!

[View the Award Winners>>](#)



Hospitality Services has a new mobile food ordering app for the Texas Tech campus *coming soon!* Staff are able to use the Transact Mobile Ordering App to order food for pickup with a Faculty/Staff Dining Plan or debit/credit card from Hospitality Services locations. Faculty/Staff Dining Plan Holders receive 15% off food and beverage purchases! [Purchase a plan>>](#)

Check out [this video](#) on how to download Transact Mobile Ordering App! When placing your first order and paying with a Dining Plan, please be sure to select your correct on-campus Dining Plan at checkout! Debit and credit cards are also accepted through the app.

The Grub Hub mobile ordering app is no longer accepted in Hospitality Services dining locations.

ABOUT THE SENATE

Who We Are:

- Elected representatives from different EEO classifications on campus
- For a list of current Senators, [click here](#)

What We Do:

- We're the voice of staff on campus! We care about:
 - *your* issues,
 - *your* needs,
 - *your* ideas!
- General Senate Meeting on the first Wednesday of every month.

Current Senate Initiatives:

- Finalizing the implementation of the Staff Emergency Fund
- Support of the HR Learning Series
- Continuing to support staff education through the Staff Senate Scholarship
- Continued support of and implementation of gender neutral language
- Need to submit an issue? [Click here>>](#)

Strive For Honor,

Staff Senate Officer Team

Dee Nguyen, President

Stacy Stockard-Caliva, President-Elect

Ryan Bain, Treasurer
Heather Coats, Secretary



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