



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Staff Senate™

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Hello TTU Staff Members,

As I sit down to write this month's newsletter, I am reminded of the outpouring of support the Red Raider family, and specifically YOU as staff, have shown since March. Thank you for the countless hours it took to create virtual commencement ceremonies, to construct hundreds of face shields, to plant the red tulips in May like usual, to create numerous flowcharts and guides to aid in a safe return to campus, to collect and distribute PPE to healthcare workers, to move events and classes online, to advise students as they navigate their education, and the list goes on and on. Your work does not go unnoticed. The

Bravo! Board is an initiative created by Staff Senate as a way for faculty, staff, or students to recognize TTU staff members. We invite you to take a moment out of your day to recognize staff contributions by giving a [Bravo!](#).

Our staff truly are the BEST OF THE BEST, and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your hard work, perseverance and determination to continue to show up for yourself, your students, your fellow staff and the Texas Tech community. This month, we are grateful and honored to support such amazing staff.

The Staff Senate wants you to know that as a valued member of the Red Raider Family, *You Have a Voice*. We are here to represent your interests and concerns to the greater Texas Tech community and administration. We are continuously having conversations with administration to address the concerns you share with us. The Senate continues to strive for honor and to continue our initiatives to better the lives of TTU staff.

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

Stay safe, and Wreck 'Em!



***HELP US CONGRATULATE THE FALL 2020
STAFF SENATE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS!***

Connor Bryant
Tristin Campbell
Ashley Cowgill
Joe Garcia
Courtney Holt
Cassandra Huey
Brian Ibarra
Michael Johnson
Ashley Rose Marino

Briana Moody
Darin Moody
Ana (Gabriela) Moore
Jake Quintanilla
Derrick Ramsey
Sean Scully
Lanna Sheldon
Jpatrick Shuey



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>>](#)

INTRODUCING RED TALKS



The “R.E.D. (Raiders Engaged in Diversity) Talks” series is a monthly discussion sponsored by [Staff Senate's Diversity & Inclusion Committee](#) on topics pertaining to diversity, equity, & inclusion. Join us for our first session as staff members discuss the topic, “**What is Diversity?**”

Wednesday, November 11th 1 - 2PM, Zoom

Our panelists for this discussion include:

Aaron Smith - *Director* - Operation Division Services

Jade Silva Tovar - *Senior Director* - Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Larry Phillippe, Ed. D - *Managing Director*- Student Disability Services & Campus ADA Coordinator

Cory Powell - *Director* - Office of Institutional Diversity

Register for the discussion today at <https://bit.ly/REDTalks>. Zoom link will be sent day of workshop.

CAMPUS EVENTS



Understanding

Microaggressions

Thursday, November 5th

1:15 - 2:30PM, Zoom

This workshop will engage attendees in identifying what microaggressions are and the impact they have.

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

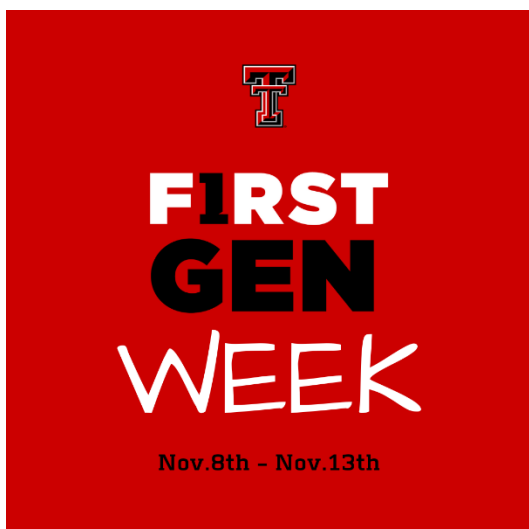


Happy Half Hour

Tuesday, Nov. 10th 2PM, Zoom

Come learn about foods & moods in a Q&A session by Kami White-Waden of Rec Sports!

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



First-Gen Week

November 8th - November 13th

Over the course of this week-long celebration of the First-Gen Red Raider community, students, faculty, and staff will have the opportunity to engage in various programs and events that create a culture of awareness and understanding of First-Gen identity.

[Get Involved>>](#)

Coffee Breaks via Zoom

The Emotionally Intelligent Mindset

November 4th @ 2-2:30pm

Raider Wellness Check by

Heather Coats of EHS

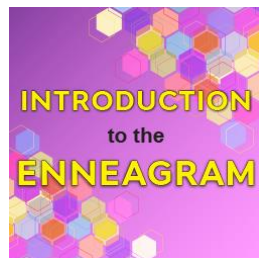
November 11th @ 2-2:30pm

Get Out of Your Own Head

November 18th @ 2-2:30pm



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



Introduction to the Enneagram

Wednesday, November 11th

10AM-12PM, Zoom

"The Enneagram is simply a map for self-discovery. The diagram describes the 9 basic personality types based upon their unique ways of relating to the world." You will be required to complete the assessment prior to the class. We will send you a free assessment upon registration.

Register through [Cornerstone](#) or email
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First-Gen Champions Institute

Thursday, November 12th

9:30AM - 2PM

The First-Gen Champions Institute seeks to bring together individuals that are committed to fostering a space for learning and understanding as it relates to college access, completion, and success for first-generation students.

[Register>>](#)



The Library Makerspace is offering more online/in-person workshops using Zoom/ Mediasite! Workshops are free for faculty, staff and students.

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

*CAD Crash Course: Rhino3D,
(Beginner – Intermediate levels)*

Thurs, Nov. 5th 2 - 4PM

Explore a more advanced CAD design program and how to use it to design for 3D printing.

*Tinkering 101: 3D Printing,
(Beginner level)*

Thurs, Nov. 12th 2:30-4:30PM

Learn about 3D printing and start designing your own 3D printable models using Thingiverse and TinkerCAD.

Fall Dance Festival

November 20th 7:30 - 9PM

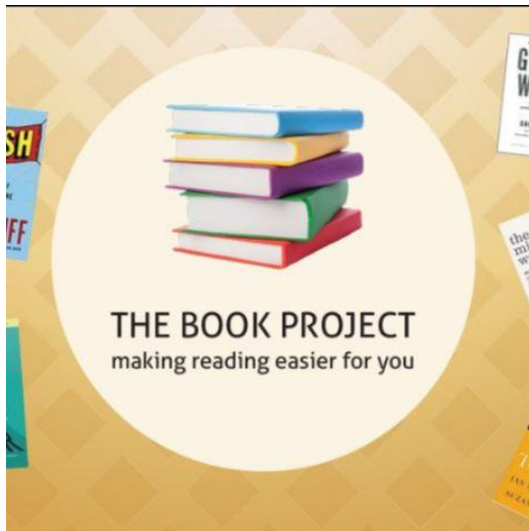
Join us at Stars & Stripes Drive-In for an evening of original choreography and performances by Texas Tech dance students, featuring student designers.

Admission is \$15 per vehicle. Tickets are available online only and cannot be purchased at Stars & Stripes Drive-In on the evening of the performance.

[Purchase tickets>>](#)



TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE BOOK PROJECT!



You design the program the way that works best for YOU! Want to start small and read one book in six months? PERFECT! Want to read a book a month? Also PERFECT! We'll be here to encourage you and cheer you on so you can read and learn in your own way. Contact hr.talentdevelopment@ttu.edu to set up YOUR project! [Read more>>](#)

Featured Book of the Month

Drawing on sources as far-flung as novelist Marilynne Robinson, basketball legend Wilt Chamberlain, British philosopher John Stuart Mill, and Christian theologian C.S. Lewis, Jacobs digs into the nuts and bolts of the cognitive process, offering hope that each of us can reclaim our mental lives from the impediments that plague us all. Because if we can learn to think together, maybe we can learn to live together, too.

[Buy on Amazon>>](#)





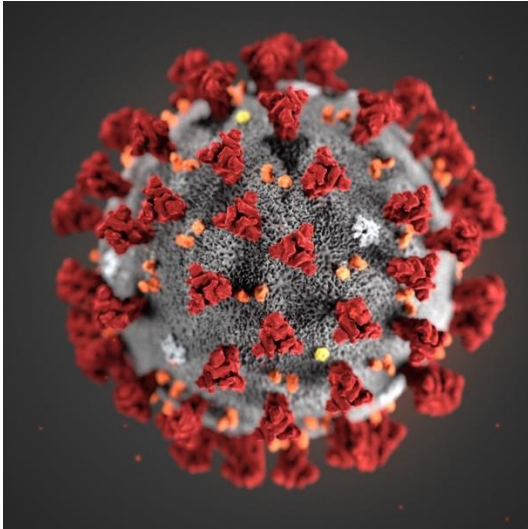
Support the Center for Early Head Start

TTU Center for Early Head Start provides high quality child care to families in East Lubbock to ensure children get the best start in life! All of their services are free of charge and depend on community funding. The Center needs help purchasing new washers and dryers to maintain a safe and hygienic facility. [Donate>>](#)

[Learn more about the Center>>](#)

Skyviews is operating out of the Sam's Place Kiosk in the Human Sciences building for Fall 2020. The kiosk will offer a rotating weekly menu with grab-and-go options prepared by RHIM students. This is a perfect opportunity to grab a delicious, healthy option while on campus! Beverages and snack will be offered as well, so be sure to stop by! [Learn more on their Facebook>>](#)





COVID-19 Resources

- [Human Resources](#)
- [Environmental Health & Safety](#)
- [TTU Commitment](#)
- [Operations Division](#)
- covid19@ttu.edu and COVID-19 Hotline: (806) 742-5929

POINSETTIAS FOR SALE!

Raider Floral and Events is selling Poinsettias in time for the holiday season! Choose from 6" poinsettias for \$15.00 + tax and 8" poinsettias for \$27.00 + tax.

Last Day to Order: December 1st

Deadline to pay: December 1st

Deliveries begin: December 7th

[Order>>](#)



Thank you to all veterans for your service!



**The Staff Senate family wishes you and
your family a Happy Thanksgiving Break
(November 26-27th)!**



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. You are invited to join our [next meeting](#) via **Zoom on November 4th at 4PM.**

Current Senate Initiatives:

- Finalizing the implementation of the Staff Emergency Fund
- Finalizing work on Community Engagement Hours for staff
- 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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