TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
Staff Senate™
#YouHaveAVoice

hello September
Hello TTU Staff Members,

With the start of the fall semester, we welcome back the sounds of the Goin’ Band from Raiderland rehearsing, hearing the ringing of the Victory Bells, and being greeted by a wrapped Will Rogers on the Friday before a home football game. We also see opportunities new and old coming available for staff you can read about below. This time of year also marks one of the busiest seasons for hiring. To our newest staff members, welcome to Texas Tech!

Staff senators represent your interests and concerns to the greater Texas Tech community and administration. Each of you is a valued member of the Red Raider family, and you have a voice! Some resources available to you through Staff Senate include the Bravo Board, the Staff Emergency Fund, research into staff-submitted issues, and scholarships just for staff members.

Wreck ‘em!
SENATOR SPOTLIGHT
Adele Deaton
CLERICAL & SECRETARIAL

Favorite Books
Wheel of Time series by Robert Jordan
Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren
The Shack by William P. Young
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou

Favorite Vacation Spots
San Antonio
Corpus Christi

Committee
Nominations
SENATOR SPOTLIGHT
Ashley Brister
CLERICAL & SECRETARIAL

"The Best is Yet to Be"

Coffee Order
Sweet Cream Cold Brew

Favorite TV Show
Breaking Bad

Committee
Technology
SENATOR SPOTLIGHT
Bianca Sasser
OTHER PROFESSIONALS

"There is no chance, no destiny, no fate, that can hinder or control the firm resolve of a determined soul."
-Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Coffee Order
Honey Almond Milk Cold Brew

Favorite Activity
Picnic on those rare and wonderful days we have nice weather

Committee
Scholarships & Awards
Since March 2011, the Staff Senate’s Bravo Board recognizes Texas Tech staff members for a job well done.

Bravo to these staff members who made a difference!

Denae Jackson, Psychological Sciences

June Servantez, College of Arts & Sciences

Brandon Sires, IT Help Central

To read the above Bravos or submit a Bravo Board nomination, visit https://www.depts.ttu.edu/staffsenate/bravo/.
Fall 2021 Scholarship Application Now Open!
Apply now through October 1st.
[Apply Here]

Staff Emergency Fund Committee is accepting applications to provide limited financial assistance to TTU staff members who are experiencing a temporary hardship due to a significant life event.

To be eligible for assistance, the staff member must be a full-time or part-time, benefits-eligible, non-faculty Texas Tech University staff member for at least 12 consecutive months prior to the application date.

[SEF Website]  |  [OP 70.47 Staff Emergency Fund]  |  [Application]

We look forward to helping TTU staff in times of need.
Transportation and Parking Services launched TECS in September 2019 to provide a way for Texas Tech University employees to have a free way to get around campus while helping decrease vehicle traffic and increase pedestrian safety on campus.

TECS offers free rides to Texas Tech University employees across the TTU, HSC, Texas Tech Plaza, and Downtown campuses every weekday when TTU is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Get rides on demand, or schedule a ride from 7 days to 2 hours in advance.

For more information please visit:
https://www.depts.ttu.edu/parking/InformationFor/MobilitySolutions/TECS.php
To support employee outreach and engagement activities that connect the resources of Texas Tech University with those of the community, full-time staff may use up to **16 hours of outreach and engagement service time per fiscal year**, and part-time staff are eligible to use up to **8 hours per fiscal year**.

To have your time volunteering in the Lubbock community considered as time worked through this program, outreach and engagement hours **must be pre-approved** by the employee’s supervisor through the Outreach and Engagement Application at [https://apps.hr.ttu.edu/OEA/](https://apps.hr.ttu.edu/OEA/).

For more information on the policy and suggested community partners and activities that qualify as outreach and engagement, please visit the following:

- [https://www.depts.ttu.edu/provost/outreach-engagement/Staff/index.php](https://www.depts.ttu.edu/provost/outreach-engagement/Staff/index.php)
- OP 70.06, section 3(c)(11):
  [https://www.depts.ttu.edu/opmanual/OP70.06.php](https://www.depts.ttu.edu/opmanual/OP70.06.php)
Texas Tech University is excited to offer full time and part time benefited employees access to tickets for the Red Raider Football Game versus Florida International on September 18th at 6pm. Each employee may receive one (1) complimentary ticket and purchase up to three (3) additional tickets at $1.00 each for the game.

Tickets are subject to availability while supplies last.

Please join us for our September Staff Senate - Diversity Committee, R.E.D. (Raiders Engaged in Diversity) Talk.

This month our focus is "Back in the Office - Navigating the Pandemic".

Our panelists for this discussion will be:

Dr. Amanda Wheeler, Assistant Director, TTU Student Counseling Center

Blaine Grimes, Training Specialist, Human Resources

Michele Cordova, Nurse Practitioner, Department of Family & Community Medicine, TTU/TTUHSC Faculty & Staff Urgent Care Clinic

The discussion will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 21st from 12:30 - 1:30 via Zoom Webinar.

R.E.D. Talks are open to the public. We welcome anyone from the TTU/TTUHSC campuses, Lubbock, surrounding communities (and beyond) to join!

To RSVP for this event please go to bitly.com/Sept2021REDTalk.
Sept. 9th from 1:15pm-2:30pm

All Fall Learning Series will be in the TLPDC Room 150 in the Library.

Please register via Cornerstone at https://ttu.csod.com/samldefault.aspx under "Fall Learning Series" or email hr.talentdevelopment@ttu.edu

Be a part of Texas Tech Preview, Texas Tech's largest on campus recruiting event for prospective students and their families!

Sign-up for the resource fair here:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WWTKBDW

Start time: 8:30 a.m.
End time: 12:00 p.m.
Date: 10/11/2021
Location: United Supermarkets Arena
Vulnerability

September 22nd from 2-2:30pm
Via Zoom

Please register via Cornerstone at https://ttu.csod.com/samldefault.aspx under "Coffee Breaks" or email hr.talentdevelopment@ttu.edu

HAPPY 1/2 HOUR

Empowerment by Dr. Martin Binks

Please register via Cornerstone at https://ttu.csod.com/samldefault.aspx under "Happy Half Hour" or email hr.talentdevelopment@ttu.edu
Join us as we hear from leaders across our campus of each type on their leadership style, the hardest part about being their type in a leadership role, and how they like to be approached with questions!

**September 30th from 2-2:30pm**

Please register via Cornerstone at [https://ttu.csod.com/samldefault.aspx](https://ttu.csod.com/samldefault.aspx) under "Enneagram and Leadership" or email hr.talentdevelopment@ttu.edu

The Library Makerspace is an educational space where faculty, staff and students can explore 3D printing, sewing, laser-cutting and more!

[https://www.depts.ttu.edu/library/make](https://www.depts.ttu.edu/library/make)

The Library Makerspace is offering more online/in-person workshops this summer!

**Workshops are free for faculty, staff and students.**

**Make with 3D Printing (Intro)**
9/2 from 8-10am, Beginner, In-Person/Online

**Make with Rhino3D (Advanced)**
9/7 from 9-11am, Intermediate, In-Person/Online

Make with Autodesk's Inventor (Intro)

9/8 from 2-4pm, Beginner, In-Person/Online

Make with Laser Cutting (Intro)

9/9 from 3-4pm, Beginner, In-Person/Online

Make with Python

9/14 from 8-10am, Beginner, In-Person/Online

Make with Rhino3D (Intro)

9/16 from 9-11am, Beginner, In-Person/Online

Make with Webcasting & Streaming (Intro)

9/16 from 3-4pm, Beginner, In-Person/Online

Make with Cricut

9/19 from 3-5pm, Beginner, In-Person/Online

Make with Code

9/21 from 4-6pm, Beginner, In-Person/Online

Make with Blender (Intro)

9/22 from 4-6pm, Beginner, In-Person/Online

Make with 3D Printing (Intro)

9/23 from 3-4pm, Beginner, In-Person/Online

Make with Autodesk's Inventor (Advanced)

9/28 from 5-7pm, Intermediate, In-Person/Online

Make with 3D Printing (Advanced)

9/30 from 9-11am, Intermediate, In-Person/Online

Have an idea for a personal or work project? Just want to play with some nifty technology?

Our workshops are a great introduction to the coolest tools for makers of all levels.

Join us this month to play with TinkerCAD, Rhino or Cricut!
Register: https://cal.library.ttu.edu/calendar

Catch workshop reruns in the TTU Mediasite Catalog:
https://tinyurl.com/MakerspaceVideos  (Search for “Makerspace”)

Questions: make@ttu.edu

We’re introducing you to a wide variety of books, themes, and authors to choose from. We will be your accountability and discussion partners! 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! You decide to read a chapter a week, but fall behind. No problem! We’ll be here to encourage you and cheer you on so you can read and learn in your own way. Email hr.talentdevelopment@ttu.edu to get started today!
https://www.depts.ttu.edu/hr/documents/BookProject_REVISED_1-26-21.pdf
Now you can learn and grow on your schedule. Visit the Training Development website to see the wide array of professional development topics available.

Subscribe to the new Staff Senate YouTube channel for access to past R.E.D. Talks, updates on what the Senate is doing and more!

Access our channel>>

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.
  • Next meeting is Wednesday, November 6th (location TBD).
  • All staff are welcome guests.

Current Senate Initiatives:

• Accepting applications for the Staff Emergency Fund
• Continued support of the HR Learning Series
• Continued support of staff education through the Staff Senate Scholarship
• Continued support of and implementation of gender neutral language
• Commitment to and continued offerings of educational and engaging programming related to diversity, equity, and inclusion
• Working with administration to address staff concerns. Submit an issue>>

Strive For Honor,

Staff Senate Officer Team
Stacy Stockard Caliva, President
Sandra Addo, President-Elect
Julia Wagner, Secretary
Ryan Bain, Treasurer
Find a PDF version of this newsletter here: https://www.depts.ttu.edu/staffsenate/newsletters.php.

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