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Hello Texas TSA!

Terry and I hope to find you excited about the Texas TSA Competition in May! We know that your regional competition is coming up and we wish everyone the best!

Well, it has been a long year.....we began in October thinking the Texas TSA Contest was going to have to move because of construction at the Waco Convention Center during the competition was going to wipe out tons of space and could create issues of safety for TSA students and advisors, so the Waco Convention Center worked with Terry and I to find another venue for the competition. The HOT Fairgrounds graciously decided to try and work with the Waco Convention Center and the Texas TSA Board to provide us with room availability, in November right before the holidays. In January, after the Thanksgiving and Christmas break, Terry and I toured the Hot Fairgrounds to make sure it would meet the needs for the Texas TSA Competition. We found that this would be a great place and began to create maps, scheduling of events, etc for the HOT Fairgrounds. We kept checking with the Waco Convention Center to see if they new the exact dates of construction and they were still thinking April or beginning of May, so we brought all of the information to the board and awaited instruction on what to do next. Terry and I wanted to make sure this was the right choice and tried to wait for the contractors to meet with the Waco Convention Center to make their final dates. As of mid-February, we received a call from the Waco Convention Center stating that the Waco Convention Center **will be open for the Texas TSA 2009 Competition!**

So....

**We are pleased to announce that the Texas TSA  
2009 competition will be held at the Waco  
Convention Center!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

## Now, a few notes and reminders ☺

- The Schedule of Events for the Texas TSA 2009 competition should be up by this Friday, April 8, 2009.
- We still need a few event coordinators, so if you would like to coordinate an event, please contact us ASAP!
- We still need many judges.....so, if you have any Alumni or know of organizations, etc that would like to judge, please have them contact us as soon as possible. The hotel rooms in Waco have been selling out quickly for contest weekend. The rooms are first come, first serve basis and we have a limited number of rooms to place judges into, so please contact us with judge information at [mtbbz@yahoo.com](mailto:mtbbz@yahoo.com) by May 1.
- We are trying to coordinate a style show for the competition this year, so if you have students in your class who can bring their finest 2009 Prom Wear, they can be in the Texas TSA 2009 Style Show! Since one of the new TSA National Events is designing prom wear this year, we thought it would be fun to have a style show that displays the newest trends in fashion along with Texas TSA student's designs! Please e-mail me the names of students who would like to participate in this event by May 1.
- I am excited to announce that the **Waco Water Park** will open for the Texas TSA students this year! As usual, it is sponsored by the Waco Convention Center and it is FREE of charge! Please pick up your tickets at the Information Desk during the competition! More information will be sent out at a later time.
- Michael Peterson could be back again this year; he is checking the tour dates and cities! If you have any information on any other motivational speakers or presentations that would be great for Texas TSA Contest, please let us know!
- We have a great need for Texas TSA corporate sponsorship, so please send companies our way from your community and send them to the Texas TSA website, so that they will find Corporate Sponsorship information and become part of the Texas TSA Corporate Sponsorship Family.

As always, Terry and I are here to listen to any concerns or advice for making the Texas TSA Contest bigger and better, so do not hesitate to contact us! We are here for you!

See you May!

Terry and Mary Zimmerman