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TJCSGA: TEXAS HEROES

My Fellow TJCSGA Members,

Welcome to the 38th year of the Texas Junior College Student Government Association! I am proud to represent you as your president in what is shaping up to be a very interesting year. Your Executive Board is already hard at work planning for our convention in April, as well as a series of improvements that we feel will strengthen the organization, insuring growth and support for many years to come.

As all of you know, on June 15, Governor Perry used his power of line item veto to void over \$150 million dollars for community colleges. Immediately thereafter, I, along with the rest of the Executive Board crafted a letter protesting this action and requested that he

reconsider his action. We have yet to hear a response from him in this matter.

We have however, heard from Lieutenant Governor David Dewhurst that the Legislative Budget Board was currently working to redistribute money to be used to overcome the Governor's action. I ask all of you to write Lt. Governor Dewhurst and encourage him to continue with this action. Remind him that Community Colleges are still the best value for Texans' education dollar.

The plan for convention is quickly taking form. We have an excellent hotel reserved for our event in Houston, and a theme that is truly a worthy goal. That theme is Texas H.E.R.O.E.S., with H.E.R.O.E.S. as an acronym for Honor Education Respect and

Organization for Every Student. Our goal as an Executive Board this year is to increase the involvement of our students in the legislative process at the campus, municipal, state and federal level. We ask that all of you adopt this goal as well, and strive to leave your campus better than how you found it! Have a great year and if I can be of service to you, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Joseph Joshua Fields
TJCSGA
President



A message from your executive board:

When the executive board gathered in June, we were faced with the difficult task of choosing this years theme.

After many ideas and even a few votes we finally (and unani- mously) chose, TJCSGA: Your Texas H.E.R.O.E.S.

The idea behind this theme doesn't necessarily constitute super heroes. The idea is for each and every school to find who inspires you, who makes you want to be a better leader, who is/was the one person you wish

you could be. If that person is Super- man, then GREAT! We really just wanted a theme that wasn't limiting.

Our hope for each school is that you take this theme and make it your own. Have fun with theme and have fun coming up with something new. After all, part of being a good leader is trying something new.

As an E-board we're trying to lead creatively so that perhaps we can inspire you. After all, it is for you that we do this all. We work together for you.

Meet Your Executive Board President: Joseph-Joshua Fields

I am Joseph-Joshua Fields. I attend Blinn College at Bryan where I am the Student Government President. My Parents are Rev. Samuell "SamPaul" Fields, II and Mrs. Annie Fields. As the second born of six children I quickly learned the bene- fits of teamwork and organization.

Being the first born son of six, I have learned and fully sup- port the "TEAM" concept, Together Everyone Achieves More. It is these basic truths which I learned as a child that will shape the administration of the TJCSGA. I look forward to meeting each of you as we strive to learn, grow, and develop a strong academic foundation as Junior College Students in Texas. My hope is that as an association we will come to- gether and truly achieve more!



Points of Interest!

How many delegates did the biggest convention host?

Email your answer to: Editor@Tjcsga.org

DID YOU KNOW???

Victoria Woodhull (1838-1927) was the first woman to run for office of US President.

"LEADERSHIP IS GETTING SOMEONE TO DO WHAT THEY DON'T WANT TO DO, TO ACHIEVE WHAT THEY WANT TO ACHIEVE."

-TOM LANDRY

2008: A fight to the end

As members of Student Government we are all undoubtedly familiar with what is going on in our Federal Government.

At this moment in time we are on the brink of one of the most epic primary elections in History.

However, this article isn't intended to tell you who to vote for. It's simply to tell you to vote. According to youthvote.org, only 21% of the electorate in 2004 was comprised of people ages 18-30. However youth-vote went on to state that over 43% of

registered voters are under the age of 30.

What this means is that in 2004, 22% percent of young people chose not to exercise their right to vote. This is purely unacceptable.

How are we expected to be leaders of tomorrow if we do not take action today? It is up to each and every one of us to make sure that people between the ages of 18 and 30 get out there and vote.

A lot of people our age com-

plain about our leadership. Yet the majority of these people never do ANYTHING to change the status quo.

It doesn't matter if you're a democrat, republican, green party or independent. Please exercise your right to vote and get a friend registered to do so as well.

In the end it might be a fight between the candidates. Let's not make it a fight for our right to vote.

TJCSGA Chooses Renaissance Hotel for State Convention 2008



The Renaissance Hotel at Greenway

The 2008 State Convention is being hosted at one of Houston's finest Hotels. The Renaissance Hotel by Marriott is four star hotel located in the heart of the Greeway Plaza.

The Renaissance Hotel boasts large guest rooms, a spacious ballroom as well as ample room for TJCSGA's many convention activities.

When the Executive Board met in June we had the privilege of touring the hotel as well as taking advantage of the awesome amenities. Among the extras provided are an in-house Starbucks Coffee, A heated outdoor pool as well as free wireless internet.

This years convention promises to be a fun and educational experience in our states largest city!



A Starbucks Coffee is conveniently Located in the hotel lobby.



The Renaissance Hotel Ballroom

Bulletin School: Kingwood College
20000 Kingwood Drive
Kingwood TX, 77339

In The Next Bulletin

Convention prices and due dates

Want to Submit an Article?

- ◇ **Region Showcase** **Before February 1st (Early Bird Registration)**
- ◇ **History of TJCSGA** \$130 per Student
- ◇ **Meet your E-Board** \$140 per Advisor
- ◇ **Continued** **February 1st through April 1st**
- ◇ **More information re-** \$150 per Student
- ◇ **garding Convention, In-** \$160 per Student
- ◇ **cluding:** **On site Registration on April 10th**
- ◇ **Entertainment**
- ◇ **Speakers** \$175 per Student
- ◇ \$185 per Advisor

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