

T Junior College TEXAS STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Annual State Convention

March 25 - 28, 2004

J.W. Marriott Hotel By The Galleria

Houston, Texas



Theme:
"Houston, The TJCSGA Leaders Have Landed."

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President's Message



Dear TJCSGA Members

On the behalf of the state association and executive board officers, I cordially invite you to the 2004 Texas Junior College Student Government Association (TJCSGA) Annual State Convention from March 25 – 28, 2004, at the J.W. Marriott Hotel By The Galleria in Houston, Texas.

To accommodate your budgets, we have reduced the registration fees so that many more student leaders at your college will have a chance of experiencing TJCSGA leadership, excitement and culture. I strongly encourage your college to register before the Early Registration deadline of March 1, 2004, and save. Early Registration Fees are \$99 per delegate and \$109 per advisor. After March 1, registration fees will be increased.

Additionally, the hotel room rates are also lower. Room rates are \$109.98 (taxes included State of Texas institutions) for single, double, triple and quad room occupancy. The hotel reservation deadline is March 10; so do not delay in making your room reservations.

The convention theme for 2004 is: "Houston, The TJCSGA Leaders Have Landed." It is a fitting theme since the convention is being held in Houston, and it has been several years since the city has hosted a state convention. Therefore, be prepared for LIFT OFF!

It is very important that I stress the convention dress code. Men are required to wear dress slacks, dress shoes, ties and socks. Women are required to wear business and professional attire. Spaghetti straps and club attire are not allowed during general assembly meetings. The convention dress code will be enforced beginning on Friday, March 26. Let's take care of our convention business as professionals. However, the dress code for Thursday, March 25, is casual attire. Your college is encouraged to show your pride and spirit by wearing college or region shirts.

Up-to-date information about the 2004 state convention is available online at two web sites—<http://www.tjcsga.org> or <http://college.hccs.edu/admin/students/host/index.htm>—so please review these web sites so that you are always informed.

I am excited and looking forward to meeting everyone at the 2004 TJCSGA State Convention.

Have a safe journey to and from the convention in Houston.

Respectfully

Mr. Joshua Nino, President
Texas Junior College Student Government Association

Meet Your TJCSGA Officers, 2003-04



**Mr. Joshua Nino,
President**
Odessa College



**Ms. Misty McClure,
Vice President**
Western Texas College



**Mr. Justin Perez,
Secretary**
Victoria College



**Mr. Matt Johnson,
Treasurer**
Amarillo College



**Mr. Gabriel De Los Santos,
Parliamentarian**
El Paso Community College



**Mr. Rishi Ramsoondar,
Host**
Houston Community College -
Central



**Ms. Sonja Hunter,
Bulletin**
Frank Phillips College



**Ms. April Sessler,
State Advisor**
Amarillo College



**Mr. Brandon Franke,
State Advisor-Elect**
Blinn College-Bryan

About Houston

Innovation with the open spaces and can-do spirit of the West. Space City is an exciting, diverse environment where people from all over the world live, work and visit. It's the city that sent a man to the moon. And it's the city that is constantly re-inventing itself. We're home to advanced technological breakthroughs and warm, old-fashioned welcomes, the world's best barbecue and award-winning theater.

Look beyond what you think you know about Houston. Sure it's a western city. After all, Houston is home to one of the largest rodeos in the world – the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. But it is also home to NASA's Johnson Space Center and the Texas Medical Center. This city offers mouth-watering restaurants, celebrity chefs, trend-setting clubs and a vibrant theater and downtown entertainment scene.

With the sophistication of an international city and the down-home charm of a friendly Texas town, Houston is a rare combination of style and substance. A major center for business, medical care, the space industry, and port commerce, it is also a leader in education and the arts.



Uptown / Galleria Area



Image, Ralph Lauren Collection, Lord & Taylor and St. John. The 700,000 square-foot expansion that opened in March 2003 added 70

Spanning more than 500 acres of exceptional beauty, Uptown Houston is comparable in size to the downtowns of Los Angeles and Denver. Uptown Houston is home to more than 2,000 growing businesses, 600 acclaimed retail stores, 100 exquisite restaurants and 26 luxurious hotels. The area hosts 200,000 office workers and shoppers daily and more than 18 million visitors from all over the world each year.

Uptown Houston is centrally located and just 5 miles west of Downtown Houston. Brimming with the energy, intensity and sophistication of the city, but softened by the security, graciousness and beauty of the suburbs, Uptown Houston is one of the world's great urban centers.

With its stunning architecture, exceptional stores and distinctive style, The Galleria has established itself as the number one shopping and tourist destination in Houston with more than 18 million visitors each year. Set beneath spectacular glass atriums, The Galleria features 370 fine stores and restaurants, an impressive ice rink and two Westin hotels. This world-class shopping complex showcases the

best names in retail including Neiman Marcus, Cartier, Gucci, Macy's, Tiffany & Co., Saks Fifth Avenue, The Sharper

stores, including Foley's Flagship and Houston's first Nordstrom, bringing The Galleria's total square footage to 1.7 million and making it the fifth largest mall in the nation.

Airports



To bring air service to Houston's population of more than four million, the Houston Airport System has three facilities; George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH), William P. Hobby Airport (HOU), and Ellington Field.

Together they form one of North America's largest public airport systems and position Houston as the international gateway to the south central United States.

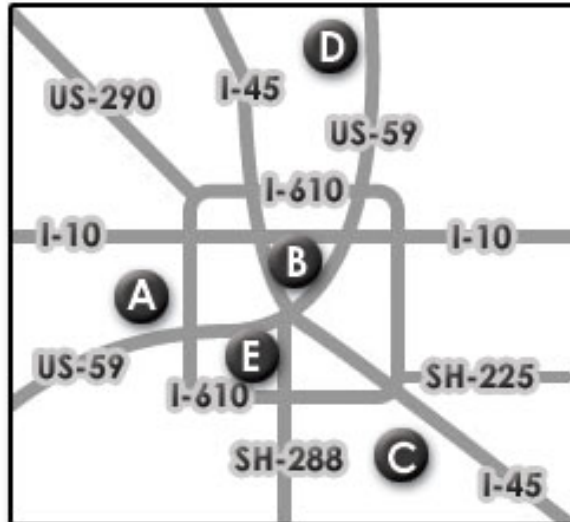
Hobby Airport is approximately 30 minutes away from the J.W. Marriott Hotel and is located in southeast Houston. Bush Incontinental Airport, meanwhile, is located in north Houston and is 45 minutes away the hotel.

Houston and Uptown/Galleria Maps

HOUSTON LEGEND

- A. Uptown / Galleria Area (See Map Below)
- B. Downtown Houston
- C. Hobby Airport (HOU)
- D. Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH)
- E. Texas Medical Center

METROPOLITAN HOUSTON



UPTOWN / GALLERIA AREA



Points of Interest

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. J.W. Marriott Hotel | 5. Dillard's Department Store |
| 2. Additional Hotel Parking | 6. The Water Wall |
| 3. Walgreen's Pharmacy | 7. Lake on Post Oak |
| 4. The Galleria Shopping Mall | 8. The Richmond Strip |

General Information

Registration & Hotel Information

Early Registration

Delegate \$99.00
Advisor \$109.00

Payment must be received by
March 1, 2004.

Late Registration

Delegate \$109.00
Advisor \$119.00

Payment must be received by
March 23, 2004.

On-Site Registration

Delegate \$129.00
Advisor \$139.00

Payment must be made at the
convention hotel after March 23.

*NOTE: Registration Form and
Invoice are available on Pages 9
and 10.*

Payments

Payments must be payable to TJCSGA
and mailed to **Treasurer School,
Amarillo College.** The **Registration
Form** must be faxed to **Houston
Community College - Central,
713.718.6339.**

(More Information on Page 10).

Online Resources

<http://www.tjcsга.org> or
[http://college.hccs.edu/admin/
students/host/index.htm](http://college.hccs.edu/admin/students/host/index.htm)



J.W. Marriott Hotel By The Galleria
5150 Westheimer Road
Houston, TX 77056

PH: 713.961.1500
FAX: 713.599.2102

Room Rates

\$109.98

TAX INCLUDED FOR
STATE OF TEXAS
TAX EXEMPT INSTITUTIONS
Single, Double, Triple & Quad

\$115.83

TAX INCLUDED FOR
NON-EXEMPT INSTITUTIONS AND
COMPANIES
Single, Double, Triple & Quad

Hotel Reservation Deadline:
March 10, 2004

Reservations can be made by
completing the Hotel Reservation
Form on Page 11 and faxing it to
Ms. Beverly Elersic at 713.599.2102.

The Williams Tower
Corner of Post Oak Blvd. @
West Alabama St.

Registration Form

College Name: _____
 College Address: _____
 College Telephone: _____
 College Advisor: _____
 College Advisor Telephone: _____
 College Advisor FAX: _____
 College Advisor E-mail: _____
 TJCSGA Region: _____

1. Complete the Registration Form for your college's participating delegates / advisors.

2. Your college's primary advisor fills out the top portion.

3. List each delegate and advisor, including the primary advisor's on the lower portion of this form.

4. Please select each individual's T-shirt size and meal plan.

5. This Registration Form, Registration Invoice and a check or remittance must be mailed with the to the Treasurer School, Amarillo College.

6. The Registration Form must also be faxed to Host School, Houston Community College - Central, Attention **Mr. Rishi Ramsoondar, 713.718.6339.**

7. Payment will be verified with Treasurer School, Amarillo College.

8. Make copies of this form as needed.

Name: _____ **CATEGORY**
 Delegate
 Advisor

T - SHIRT SIZES **M E A L P L A N**
 OM OL OXL O2X O3X O4X O5X Standard Vegetarian

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 Delegate
 Advisor

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Registration Invoice



College Name: _____
 College Address: _____
 College Telephone: _____
 College Advisor: _____
 College Advisor Telephone: _____
 College Advisor FAX: _____
 College Advisor E-mail: _____

Early Registration (Payments received by March 1, 2004)

Number of Delegates ____ X \$99.00 = ____
 Number of Advisors ____ X \$109.00 = ____

Late Registration (Payments received by March 23, 2004)

Number of Delegates ____ X \$109.00 = ____
 Number of Advisors ____ X \$119.00 = ____

On-site Registration (Payment received after March 23, 2004)

Number of Delegates ____ X \$129.00 = ____
 Number of Advisors ____ X \$139.00 = ____

Your college's total =

Please enclose a check payable to **TJCSGA** and submit to:



Matt Johnson, TJCSGA Treasurer
c/o April Sessler
Amarillo College
P.O. Box 447
Amarillo, TX 79178
(806) 371-5321

Hotel Reservation Form

College Name: _____
College Address: _____
College Telephone: _____
College Advisor: _____
College Advisor Telephone: _____
College Advisor FAX: _____
College Advisor E-mail: _____
Date of Arrival: _____
Date of Departure: _____
Credit Card # / Exp.: _____



J.W. Marriott Hotel By The Galleria
5150 Westheimer Road
Houston, TX 77056

PH: 713.961.1500
FAX: 713.599.2102

ROOMING LIST

Room #1

Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____

Room #2

Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____

Room #3

Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____

Room #4

Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____

Room #5

Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____
Occupant: _____

1. Complete the Hotel Registration Form for your college's participating delegates / advisors.
2. Your college's primary advisor fills out the top portion.
3. Complete the Rooming List of the individuals who will be assigned to each room.
5. The Hotel Reservation Form must be faxed to **Ms. Beverly Elersic at 713.599.2102** to reserve your college's rooms.
6. **No telephone reservations will be accepted.**
7. Make copies as needed.

Convention Dress Code



General Assembly Meetings Dress Code

Men's Dress Code

Dress slacks

Dress shirts

Ties

Jackets (optional)

Dress shoes

Women's Dress Code

Professional Dresses

Pants Suits

Blouses and skirts

NO Spaghetti Strap Dresses will be allowed during General Assembly Meetings.

Business casual, including college or regional shirts, will be allowed during the Thursday, March 25th Opening Ceremony / Dinner, workshops, showcases, campaigning, etc..

Convention Schedule At A Glance

Thursday, March 25th

- 9:00 a.m. Executive Board Meeting
- 12:00 p.m. Registration Begins
- 3:00 p.m. Ice Breaker / Hotel Check-In (Advisors)
- 5:00 p.m. Advisors Reception
- 7:00 p.m. Opening Ceremony/ Dinner / Silent Auction Items Due / Registration Ends
- 9:00 p.m. Regional Meetings
- 10:00 p.m. Dance

Friday, March 26th

- 7:30 a.m. Campaigning on Tables (4 delegates per college, 10-minute rule)
- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast / Registration Begins
- 9:00 a.m. * General Assembly I
- 10:00 a.m. Deadline for Resolutions, Contest Entries and Nominations
- 10:30 a.m. Workshops: Session I / Advisors Meeting
- 11:15 a.m. Break
- 11:20 a.m. Workshops: Session II / General Board Meeting (SGA Presidents)
- 12:10 p.m. Committee Meetings / Lunch On Your Own / Free Time
- 1:00 p.m. Convention Registration Ends
- 5:00 p.m. Regional Meetings
- 6:30 p.m. * General Assembly II
- 10:00 p.m. Talent Show

Saturday, March 27th

- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. * / ** General Assembly III (Campaign Speeches and Skits)
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. * General Assembly IV (Awards)
- 2:30 p.m. Advisors Meeting
- 3:30 p.m. Regional Meetings
- 4:30 p.m. Campaign Setup / Silent Auction Closes
- 4:45 p.m. Campaigning
- 5:30 p.m. Campaign Clean-up / Free Time
- 9:00 p.m. Activity at Hotel

Sunday, March 28th

- 7:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. * General Assembly V (Elections, Amendments, Resolutions)
- 12:00 p.m. Hotel Check-out
- 1:00 p.m. Newly Elected Officers Executive Board Meeting

* **Professional dress required.**

** **Professional dress required, except for those participating in campaign speeches or skits.**

The Galleria Mall Ice Rink
Corner of Westheimer Rd. @
Post Oak Blvd.

Membership Dues Invoice



MEMBERSHIP DUES 2003 - 2004

Annual membership dues for the Texas Junior College Student Government Association are \$150, as set by the delegates at the state convention. Dues for current members must be paid seven days prior to the state convention, which is March 18, 2003, for this academic year. New members may pay up until the state convention.

School: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

State: Texas

Zip Code: _____

Advisor: _____

Region: I II III IV V VI

Please enclose a check for \$150 made payable to **TJCSGA** and submit to:
Matt Johnson, TJCSGA Treasurer
c/o April Sessler
Amarillo College
P.O. Box 447
Amarillo, TX 79178
(806) 371-5321

Highways to Houston

From Dallas

1. Take I-45 South.
2. Once in Houston, take I-610 West to I-610 South.
3. Exit Post Oak Blvd., and turn right.
4. Turn right on Westheimer Road.
5. The hotel is on the right after Mc Cue Rd. at Sage Rd.

From Northeast Texas

1. Take US 59 South.
2. Once in Houston, take I-610 West to I-610 South.
3. Exit Post Oak Blvd., and turn right.
4. Turn right on Westheimer Road.
5. The hotel is on the right after Mc Cue Rd at Sage Rd..

From Corpus Christi

1. Take I-37 North.
2. Take US 59 North.
3. Once in Houston, exit Chimney Rock Rd. and turn left until Westheimer Rd.
4. Turn right on Westheimer Rd. until Sage Rd..
5. Pass Sage Rd and U-turn.
7. The hotel is on the right.



From Austin (North)

1. Take US 290 East.
2. Once in Houston, take I-610 South.
3. Exit Post Oak Blvd., and turn right.
4. Turn right on Westheimer Rd.
5. The hotel is on the right after Mc Cue Rd. at Sage Rd.

From Austin (South)

1. Take SH 71 East.
2. Merge onto I-10 East.
3. Once in Houston, Take I-610 South.
4. Exit Post Oak Blvd. and turn right.
5. Turn right on Westheimer Rd.
6. The hotel on the right after Mc Cue Rd. at Sage Rd.

From San Antonio

1. Take I-10 East.
2. Once in Houston, take I-610 South.
3. Exit Post Oak Blvd., and turn right.
4. Turn right on Westheimer Rd.
5. The hotel is on the right after Mc Cue Rd.

From Houston's Hobby Airport (HOU)

1. Take either Broadway or Monroe east to I-45 North.
2. Take I-610 West to I-610 North.
3. Exit Westpark Dr., and turn left.
4. Turn right on S. Rice Blvd. (changes to Sage Rd.) to Westheimer Rd..
5. Turn right on Westheimer Rd. and U-turn.
5. The hotel is on the right.

From Houston's Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH)

1. Take JFK Blvd. south to Beltway 8 and turn left toward US 59.
2. Take US 59 South.
3. Take I-610 West to I-610 South.
4. Exit Post Oak Blvd. and turn right.
5. Turn right on Westheimer Road.
6. The hotel is on the right after Mc Cue Road.



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