

**TEXAS ADVANCED LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY CONFERENCE**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 3 – TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013 | EMBASSY SUITES AUSTIN CENTRAL**

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**Participant Application**

To participate in the Texas Advanced Leadership and Advocacy Conference (TALAC), individuals must meet the following qualifications:

- ✓ Be at least 18 years old
- ✓ Live in Texas
- ✓ Have experience and interest in public policy advocacy and in assuming a leadership role in local community activities

Due to limited space, participants must apply and be accepted to attend TALAC.

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Assistant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity (optional)

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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> African American       | <input type="checkbox"/> White               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> White, non-Hispanic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic               | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native American        |  |

Highest Level of Education Completed (optional)

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Less than high school | <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor's degree   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High school / GED     | <input type="checkbox"/> Master's degree     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Some college          | <input type="checkbox"/> Doctoral degree     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Associate's degree    | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional degree |



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### Conference Rates

Most meals (i.e., Sunday: dinner, Monday: breakfast and lunch, Tuesday: breakfast and lunch), transportation to and from the Capitol on Tuesday, conference materials, and a t-shirt are included in the registration price.

- Agency / Organization Professional, including hotel accommodations** \$300.00  
This rate is available to individuals attending for professional development purposes and includes hotel accommodations for two nights at the Embassy Suites Austin Central.
- Agency / Organization Professional, without hotel accommodations** \$150.00  
This rate is available to individuals attending for professional development purposes and does not include hotel accommodations.
- Individual / Family Member including hotel accommodations** \$190.00\*  
This rate is available to individual self advocates and immediate family members of an individual with a disability and includes hotel accommodations for two nights at the Embassy Suites Austin Central.
- Individual / Family Member without hotel accommodations** \$110.00\*  
This rate is available to individual self advocates and immediate family members of an individual with a disability and does not include hotel accommodations.

\*Individuals and immediate family members of an individual with a disability needing financial assistance to attend the conference may be eligible to receive a free or reduced rate in addition to reimbursement for travel expenses up to \$250.00. Financial assistance will be awarded on a case-by-case determination and is contingent upon available funds.

If you need financial assistance to attend TALAC, please **describe why you need financial assistance and indicate your household's family size and level of gross income** (i.e., before taxes are withheld). Proof of household income may be requested.

Reason for requesting financial assistance:

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Household family size and level of gross income:

Check one	Household Size	Annual Income	Monthly Income	Weekly Income
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	≤ \$20,665	≤ \$1,723	≤ \$398
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	≤ \$27,991	≤ \$2,333	≤ \$539
<input type="checkbox"/>	3	≤ \$35,317	≤ \$2,944	≤ \$680
<input type="checkbox"/>	4	≤ \$42,643	≤ \$3,554	≤ \$821
<input type="checkbox"/>	5	≤ \$49,969	≤ \$4,165	≤ \$962
<input type="checkbox"/>	6	≤ \$57,295	≤ \$4,775	≤ \$1,102
<input type="checkbox"/>	7	≤ \$64,621	≤ \$5,386	≤ \$1,243
<input type="checkbox"/>	8	≤ \$71,947	≤ \$5,996	≤ \$1,384
<input type="checkbox"/>	Each Additional Member	+ \$7,326	+ \$611	+ \$141

*Note:* Figures are from Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines, 2012-2013.

**Preferences and Accommodations**

Please check all that apply.

- Wheelchair accessible room
- Wheelchair accessible room with roll-in shower
- Wheelchair accessible transportation (i.e., shuttle bus)
- Accommodations for service animal
- Brailled conference materials
- Large font conference materials  
Please indicate font size: \_\_\_\_\_
- Electronic version of conference materials
- ASL interpreter
- CART services
- Special diet / food allergies  
Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Transportation while in Austin  
Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

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Room Preference

- Single
- Double

I am sharing a room with: \_\_\_\_\_

I am willing to share a double room with another participant.  Yes  No

T-Shirt Size

- |                            |                               |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> S | <input type="checkbox"/> XL   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> M | <input type="checkbox"/> XXL  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> L | <input type="checkbox"/> XXXL |

**Certification and Submission**

I hereby state that all of the information I have provided in this application is true and correct, and I am willing to attend the Texas Advanced Leadership and Advocacy Conference 2013 if selected.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit completed application to:

TALAC 2013 c/o Leena Landmark  
Department of Educational Psychology  
TAMU MS 4225  
College Station, TX 77843-4225  
Office 979-458-0403 Toll Free 855-231-7575  
Fax 979-862-1256  
Email [l.landmark@cehd.tamu.edu](mailto:l.landmark@cehd.tamu.edu)

Applicants will be notified and invoiced by email within five business days if their application has been accepted. Payment must be made by check or money order. Payment must be remitted no later than January 18, 2013.