

TSA Today



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National TSA Week

October 3-7, 2016

During the week of October 3-7, 2016, TSA will proudly celebrate National TSA Week.

National TSA Week is a great opportunity for your chapter to create awareness of TSA in your school and community, and to showcase your activities and accomplishments. National TSA Week is about YOU, TSA members, and the hard work your chapter is doing to learn, create, and innovate in the technological world.

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The official 2016-2017 TSA hashtag is **#MadeInTSA**. Share the experiences and friendships you have #MadeInTSA, and how those experiences will *Define Your Future*. Be sure to capture the activities your chapter is participating in to celebrate National TSA Week and share them on social media -- field trips, community service projects, and chapter-building activities are just a few ways some chapters choose to celebrate National TSA Week.

Below are the social media themes for every day of National TSA Week (don't forget to use the hashtag #MadeInTSA)!

October 3rd - #MadeInTSA Monday
 October 4th - Teammate Tuesday
 October 5th - Why TSA Wednesday
 October 6th - Throwback Thursday
 October 7th - Forever TSA Friday

Check out the [national TSA website](#) for more information on National TSA Week and for ways to celebrate with your chapter.

LEAP Program

The 2016-2017 school year marks the beginning of TSA's leadership program, LEAP, which stands for "Leadership.

Education. Achievement. Personal Growth." The purpose of LEAP is to encourage TSA members to be the best member they can be as they seek knowledge about themselves, the organization, and their community, while demonstrating leadership. LEAP is a customized program specifically developed for the Technology Student Association, and brings to life the TSA motto, creed, and mission statement.

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LEAP has been incorporated into existing high school competitions for the 2016-2017 school year. Please be aware of the new LEAP requirements in the *Technology Student Association (TSA) High School Competitive Events Guide* as you read through high school events this year.

TSA is excited to incorporate leadership into TSA competitions and the organization. More

NEW: Go/No Go Requirements

As you read through the *Technology Student Association (TSA) High School Competitive Events Guide*, please be aware of the new section in each competitive event rubric titled "Go/No Go Specifications." Required specifications in the checklist must be met, or the individual or team will not be allowed to compete in the event. See each competition's official rating form/rubric for details.

#MadeInTSA

Jack Crawford, National TSA President

This past July when the national officer team met to create a program of work for the year, we also began brainstorming for this year's hashtag campaign. We tested and retested many ideas and I remember the overwhelming, immediate agreement and content that filled the room when #MadeInTSA was chosen.



I think the reason #MadeInTSA was so well liked is it connects to engineering and STEM values and it also encompasses so much more of the nature of TSA. We love the fact that life-changing apps and robots are made in TSA but so are people. We will be the future leaders and shapers of society who were made in TSA. The next engineers, social media moguls, fashion designers, software developers, and legislators will very likely have been made in TSA. And, perhaps most importantly, you and I are being made in TSA. [Read more](#)

2017 TEAMS Theme

The 2017 TEAMS (Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics and Science) theme is "Engineering the Environment" and will explore topics such as smart cars, global climate change, and water treatment. Check out the [TEAMS website](#) for more information on the upcoming national TEAMS competition, taking place at the national TSA conference, and 2017 competition information.



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