

# FACTS 2024-2025



“LEARNING TO LEAD IN A TECHNICAL WORLD”

The **Technology Student Association (TSA)** is a national, non-profit career and technical student organization (CTSO) of middle school and high school students engaged in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Since TSA was chartered in 1978, over 5,000,000 student members have participated through competitions, intracurricular activities, leadership opportunities, community service, and more. TSA is a non-partisan, non-sectarian 501(c)(3) that does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age, religion, creed, ethnicity, gender, gender identity/expression, or disability.

## MEMBERSHIP: BY THE NUMBERS

# 300,000+

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT MEMBERS

# 100%

LIKELY TO GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL



# 90%

COLLEGE-BOUND



# 40%

MINORITY REPRESENTATION



# 3,500+

TEACHERS (CHAPTER ADVISORS)

# 2,300+

SCHOOLS IN 48 STATES



# CTE® 85%

ENROLLED IN A CTE PROGRAM



# 53%

RECEIVE FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Technology Student Association (TSA) enhances personal development, leadership, and career opportunities in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), whereby members apply and integrate these concepts through intracurricular activities, competitions, and related programs.

## TSA COMPETITIONS

TSA provides rules and guidelines for more than 75 middle school and high school competitions. For use in the classroom, all competitions are aligned with STEM standards, 21<sup>st</sup> century leadership skills, and the U.S. Department of Education's National Career Clusters Framework®.

**Competition categories** include Architecture and Construction Technology, Communications Technology, Computer Science and Information Technology, Leadership, Manufacturing and Transportation Technology, STEM (General), STEM and the Arts, and Technology and Research.

**TSA Computer Science and Information Technology** competitions are designed to be integrated into an existing CS/IT curriculum at the middle and high school level. Examples include coding, data science and analytics, software development, video game design, virtual reality visualization, and website design. These competitions provide a more comprehensive experience than stand-alone competitions and include leadership activities and 21<sup>st</sup> century skills components.

**Junior Solar Sprint (JSS)** – funded by the U.S. Army Educational Outreach Program (AEOP) – and **Senior Solar Sprint (SSS)** are national STEM-based competitions that challenge middle and high school students to design, build, and race model solar cars.

**Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics, and Science (TEAMS)** provides a set of engineering-focused competitions for middle and high school students. Through teamwork and the use of practical applications of math and science, participants solve questions based on real-world engineering challenges.

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## PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

**Leadership Program:** Acquiring 21<sup>st</sup> century leadership skills is critical to the success of young people. TSA integrates such aptitudes in its competitions and in activities that focus on leadership development.

**National Service Project:** For over a decade TSA has partnered with the American Cancer Society (ACS). TSA chapters nationwide raise money to help fund ACS research, education, advocacy, and patient services.

**Unite:** Funded by the U.S. Army Educational Outreach Program (AEOP), Unite is a four-to-six week summer program held at colleges and universities nationwide that encourages high school students to pursue higher education and a STEM career path.

**National Technical Honor Society (NTHS):** The National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) serves Career and Technical Education (CTE) students through recognition and scholarship opportunities. TSA and NTHS formed a partnership in June 2023 to provide benefits to TSA members.

**TSA Achievement Program, Pathways to Excellence:** TSA’s achievement program encourages TSA members to engage in service leadership, STEM immersion, and personal/professional development activities. Members gain leadership skills and earn recognition for their efforts as they complete activities in these areas.

## 2024-2025 TSA COMPETITIVE EVENTS

### Middle School

- Biotechnology
- Career Prep
- Challenging Technology Issues
- Chapter Team
- Children’s Stories
- Coding
- Community Service Video
- Computer-Aided Design (CAD) Foundations
- Construction Challenge
- Cybersecurity
- Data Science and Analytics
- Digital Photography
- Dragster
- Electrical Applications
- Essays on Technology
- Flight
- Forensic Technology
- Inventions and Innovations
- Junior Solar Sprint
- Leadership Strategies
- Mass Production
- Mechanical Engineering
- Medical Technology
- Microcontroller Design
- Off the Grid
- Prepared Speech
- Problem Solving
- Promotional Marketing
- STEM Animation
- Structural Engineering
- System Control Technology
- Tech Bowl
- Technical Design
- Video Game Design
- Vlogging
- Website Design

### High School

- Animatronics
- Architectural Design
- Audio Podcasting
- Biotechnology Design
- Board Game Design
- Chapter Team
- Children’s Stories
- Coding
- Computer-Aided Design (CAD), Architecture
- Computer-Aided Design (CAD), Engineering
- Data Science and Analytics
- Debating Technological Issues
- Digital Video Production
- Dragster Design
- Drone Challenge (UAV)
- Engineering Design
- Extemporaneous Speech
- Fashion Design and Technology
- Flight Endurance
- Forensic Science
- Future Technology and Engineering Teacher
- Geospatial Technology
- Manufacturing Prototype
- Music Production
- On Demand Video
- Photographic Technology
- Prepared Presentation
- Promotional Design
- Robotics
- Senior Solar Sprint
- Software Development
- STEM Mass Media
- Structural Design and Engineering
- System Control Technology
- Technology Bowl
- Technology Problem Solving
- Transportation Modeling
- Video Game Design
- Virtual Reality Simulation (VR)
- Webmaster