

Sergeant-at-Arms



Nolan Smith



The position of Sergeant of Arms is one of the most important positions on the TSA officer team. As Sergeant at Arms, it is your responsibility to ensure that everyone's voice is heard. I know firsthand that this job, the job of making sure every voice is heard, is no easy task. Throughout my time in TSA, I have seen many voices silenced, people being ignored, and it has always been something I have fought against. Whether it's during school group projects, group events in TSA, or during committee meetings, when I see a voice be silenced, or people not sharing their ideas, I stand up for them. It is my belief that a person's greatest asset is their voice. One voice, one opinion can change the course of the world. If one person is silenced, it takes away an infinite amount of possibilities. Just one voice can change so much. This is why I want to become Sergeant at Arms. Because no matter what, I want all voices to be heard. On top of this, another reason why I am running for Sergeant At Arms is to embrace the fun in the special interest sessions. Special interest sections are some of the most exciting events at the state conference, and I want to make them even better. I want to add more sessions that focus on us coming together and having a good time, because that is what the community is all about. All in all, my main reason for wanting to be your Sergeant at Arms is togetherness. I want to have everyone's voices heard and to bring together PA TSA like never before.

Olivia Smith



TSA has always been a big part of my life. From competitions to preparing for semifinals to having fun with my teammates in our room, TSA has made lifelong memories. I want to be PA-TSA's next Sergeant-At-Arms to share the joy and importance of TSA with others, however that may be. One of my main goals as Sergeant-at-Arms is to increase and improve the opportunities TSA members are given. I plan to do this by emphasizing feedback and increasing college scholarships. My first initiative is to add a feedback form to the State Website. This would allow members to submit recommendations on improving the State Conference or any TSA events, ensuring that their voices are heard and considered by the State Officers.

My second initiative is to increase the number of college scholarships available to TSA members. Currently, PA-TSA only has two different scholarships that three members are awarded. By expanding and broadening our scholarships, more students will have the opportunity to apply, helping them with the cost of college.

My third initiative is to make competition feedback forms mandatory for judges to complete. This way, students will no longer have to wonder if they will receive the feedback they request. They'll be guaranteed constructive criticism that will help improve their designs and better prepare them for the next level of competition.

If I'm elected as our State's next Sergeant-at-Arms, I promise to keep the joy of TSA alive, while finding other ways to improve our organization for the better.

Brady Yarnall



I am interested in running for the Sergeant At Arms position on the State Officer Team because of my dedication to creating a welcoming and inclusive environment within TSA. This year, I served on the Inclusivity Committee and through initiatives like the STEAM spotlight posts, it broadened my perspective on the value of sharing diverse stories and how it can benefit the engineering field. Additionally, throughout my experience serving as Region 5's reporter, I have gained valuable insight into how to create an environment where every member feels respected and valued. Thus, I am running for the Sergeant At Arms position because it will allow me to truly make a difference in empowering TSA members to achieve their best selves. If elected, I would use my passion and commitment to serve TSA to give a voice to smaller chapters and people who feel underrepresented due to a lack of access to materials. Thereby, making TSA a more enjoyable experience for everyone involved.

Reporter



Jaycee Kleinstuber



Hey PA-TSA! I'm Jaycee Kleinstuber and I'm running to be your next state reporter. I love the evolution of PATSA, and I want to contribute to its development. I am currently a freshman at Central Cambria High School and this is my fourth year in TSA. TSA is an important part of my life. TSA has allowed me to meet many people, develop new skills, and discover new passions in media creation. Because TSA has done so much for me, I really want to help TSA evolve. I have compiled a list of initiatives to help shape TSA! My initiatives include creating an event database with examples of each event, creating fundraising resources to help chapters afford states, gaining more membership through social media outreach, returning rubrics to members after the state conference, adding events, and updating the PA-TSA Website! I believe I am qualified for the position of reporter because I have already served two terms as a Region 8 officer, 1 year as a student council member at my school, 2 years as a member of the region representatives committee, 2-time state voting delegate, national voting delegate, 2-time chapter representative, peer mentor, peer tutor, coach, 20-time state finalist, and 2-time national finalist--including a second-place finish. I am detail-oriented, tech-savvy, and creative. I hope you will consider me to be your next state reporter! Just remember: don't be crazy, just vote Jaycee!

Sophia Seidel



Hey PA-TSA! My name is Sophia Seidel, and I'm so excited to be running for your 2025-2026 Reporter.

Through the past 4 years, I've created connections in TSA that push me to thrive both in and out of this organization. With leadership opportunities and skill-packed events, TSA is where I've grown as a leader, collaborator, and problem solver. As my chapter's reporter, I manage our Instagram, creating 20+ posts and stories over this past year. Through CAPC, BARRC, Regional Reps, and Outreach, I contribute graphic design and ideas to improve our PA-TSA community. I also produce engaging promotional videos for my clubs and work.

As a state officer, I aim to establish a middle school mentorship program to connect experienced and new TSA members. This initiative will foster leadership, competition skills, and collaboration. To promote engagement, I will introduce an award recognizing outstanding mentors and mentees, celebrating their impact and dedication at the state conference.

Social media is a powerful tool for connection and recognition within PA-TSA. TSA toolkits, created through the hard work of committee members, deserve more visibility. With CAPC, I will promote these resources through videos and posts to reach more members and recognize committee efforts. I also plan to introduce cross-state Instagram collaborations to strengthen connections nationwide. Additionally, I will launch initiatives like website highlights, interactive polls, and chapter achievement features to enhance member involvement.

I hope to connect and meet you all at the state conference! And remember, it's a good idea to vote Sophia!

Boushra Youssef



Hey PA-TSA! My name is Boushra Youssef, and I'm proud to announce my candidacy for your 2025-2026 State Reporter. My TSA journey has been dedicated to strengthening communication, engagement, and outreach, and I am eager to implement initiatives that enhance connectivity across PA-TSA.

If elected, I will introduce a Regional Reporters Workshop to equip regional officers with strategies to boost Instagram engagement. I will also establish a Statewide Promotional Network, where the PA-TSA Instagram cross-promotes regional content, ensuring local efforts gain state-level recognition.

Additionally, I will expand State Platforms Promotion, integrating cross-platform marketing and fostering a supportive reposting environment. I will refine CAPC by introducing a transparent posting schedule for progress management. To enhance new-member experiences, I will launch a TSA 101 Series, offering guidance on competitions, tips, and leadership pathways. I will also introduce Senior Spotlights to highlight graduating members' achievements and SOT Highlights to foster officer-member engagement.

As Vice-Chair of CAPC, I facilitated content-sharing through a media Dropbox and collaborated with state officers to refine communication. Managing @patsaregion3 and @cumberlandvalleytsa has prepared me to lead initiatives that unify PA-TSA's digital presence.

With a commitment to strengthening connections and engagement—let's do TSA the YOU-ssef Way! Be sure to follow my campaign Instagram for updates!

Isabella Zettlemoyer



My name is Isabella Zettlemoyer, and I am running to be your PATSA 2025-2026 state reporter! I am passionate about using my skills and experience in digital design to enhance communication within our organization. I truly believe that effective communication is essential for building and maintaining a strong community. As state reporter, I will work hard to highlight our achievements, share valuable resources, and keep members updated on key events and projects from the officer team and committees. Having more of an art background previously, joining TSA motivates me to encourage more members of the art community to join their school's chapters. A key goal I have when I take office is to expand our STEM and Arts event categories, recognizing that creativity is essential in driving innovation within our technological fields and can be used to expand TSA's overall outreach. Beyond that, I plan to improve advertising and organization across all platforms, ensuring PATSA members stay engaged and well-informed. I will also advocate for stronger committee promotion, helping members understand each committee's role and encouraging greater participation. Additionally, I want to make resources like the READ READ READ more user-friendly, ensuring accessibility for all members. My passion for marketing and design aligns with my future aspirations beyond high school, and running for this position has been a long-term goal of mine. I am committed, motivated, and eager to contribute to PATSA's success. I would be honored to serve as your next state reporter! And remember, "Don't Settle, Vote for Zettlemoyer!"

Treasurer



Zoe George



Hi, my name is Zoe George. I am hoping to be your next PA state treasurer. This is my 4th year in TSA. I started in 7th grade, and I am in 10th. It was one of the best decisions I ever made! In middle school, I had the pleasure of being my chapter's president. In high school, I have served as treasurer for 2 years. During this time, I helped to raise over 5,000 dollars for the ACS. Additionally, I have been on the Inclusivity and Outreach committee for 2 years, and I am one of the current Sub-Chairs for NSP. As your State treasurer, my goal is to work on funding PA-TSA and making resources more accessible to everyone. My main initiative would be to create a new committee run by the treasurer and historian to work alongside NSP to fundraise for PA-TSA. That way, we can have resources for both the ACS and for our initiatives. The goal is to increase inter-committee communication and provide more resources for everyone! I want to better TSA however possible, and I feel funding our operations will help. Other initiatives I am interested in pursuing include establishing a quiet working space at states and helping all chapters have more access to resources for fundraising. I truly hope to be your treasurer because TSA means a lot to me, and I want to do everything I can to make TSA the best it can be. So let's go and vote for Zo!

Trisha Serai



Hi PA-TSA! My name is Trisha Serai, and I'm running to be your next State Treasurer. In the past, I've served as my chapter vice president, and I am the subcommittee chair of the state Bylaw and Resolution Review Committee, as well as a dedicated member of the state National Service Project Committee. TSA has given me great experiences and opportunities, and I want to support all chapters so they can succeed too. I know that funding can be a big challenge, especially for newer or smaller chapters. As State Treasurer, I will work to make sure every chapter has the resources and funding they need.

My main initiatives are to start a small grant program to help underfunded chapters that don't have appropriate funding, put together a list of grants, and create a space where schools can share fundraising ideas. I also want to highlight successful fundraising efforts on PA-TSA's website and social media so chapters can learn from each other and find new ways to raise money.

Through my experience in TSA, fundraising in service clubs, and leadership in school activities, I've learned how to manage money and come up with effective fundraising strategies. I want to use these skills to help all PA-TSA chapters afford what they need so that every chapter can compete at its best.

I believe that when chapters have the right resources, they can focus more on improving their skills and preparing for competitions. A well-funded chapter can offer its members better opportunities to succeed.

With your support, we can make TSA stronger and better for everyone, including smaller and low-funded chapters. Remember, vote for Trish and I'll grant your wish!

Melinda Wu



Hi PA-TSA, my name is Melinda Wu, and I am so excited to run as a candidate for your 2025-2026 Treasurer!

As my chapter's Treasurer, I raised funds for state conference attendance using sponsor outreach, lowering the cost by \$120/student. As a Region 8 Officer, I planned unique SIS to fundraise for the ACS, raising \$449.25. Combined, I've fundraised \$4589.25. As a NSP, Regional Reps, and CSAC member, I contribute to TSA's collaborative community by creating helpful fundraising slideshows and conference guides, as well as leading state SIS.

My love for TSA stems from how we promote growth and serve communities. Ultimately, we serve two: our peer students and cancer fighters. As treasurer, I aim to promote accessibility by lowering conference costs and revitalizing the fight against cancer through novel fundraising methods.

First, I intend to pair NSP committee members with chapter treasurers to curate area-based company contact lists for chapters in need of sponsorship help. In this way, we are able to encourage both 21st-century leadership skills and accessibility. Second, I plan to design new merch promoting TSA's community-building missions. Centering around region pride, fun illustrations, and ACS patient support, merch would be sold at Stag Pass during the State Conference. Thirdly, I propose raising funds by participating in the ACS Gamers VS. Cancer event, live-streaming our gaming SIS (Brawl Stars, Minecraft, Mario Kart) to friends and family for support.

See you at States PA-TSA, and remember: a win for WU is a W for U!

Secretary



Tyler Ader



Ever since I attended my first ever state conference in 8th grade I've always dreamed of making a difference in TSA. I remember how much I wanted to be like the state officers that were up on that stage and they inspired me to want to do more. TSA has been nothing but life changing to me, it's given me direction, a purpose, and I've made most of my closest, and best friends through this organization. Since that first state conference I've worked to become a more active member in my own schools TSA chapter to help it grow larger and become more popular. I've also become active in my own community, learning about and helping to support sustainable efforts in my community to help to create an even better and brighter future for everyone. Now as I begin finish off my junior year and approach my senior year, I want to take the chance to grow my activity in TSA by becoming my schools first ever elected State Officer. I want to be able to leave a positive impact on TSA. I hope that as a state officer I can work with my peers to make TSA even better than it currently is and help give new and old members of PA TSA a direction like TSA gave to me, and to help inspire people to push themselves to do more in not only TSA, but also in their life. Just like how the former state officers inspired me.

Natalie Branstetter



Hey PA-TSA! My name is Natalie Branstetter, and I am delighted to be running for 2025-2026 PA-TSA Secretary!

I joined TSA 5 years ago and have served in chapter, regional, and state committee roles. I currently serve as my high school chapter's Vice-President. I was elected middle school chapter Reporter and President for two years. As a Regional Officer for two years, I helped plan two conferences, ten Special Interest Sessions and ACS fundraisers where we raised more than \$4000! This year, I chair the CAPC Video Subcommittee, leading efforts to highlight our hardworking PA-TSA committees through the Committee Showcase Video. I've contributed to the Outreach Committee (3 years), Regional Representative Committee (2 years), CAPC Committee (2 years), and NSP (this year), creating email templates, fundraising resources, and promotional materials.

If elected, I will launch a STEM Speaker series featuring TSA alumni and STEM professionals, offering Q&A sessions on cutting-edge technology, college pathways, and STEM careers. Secondly, I will initiate a "TSA Tactics" video series where our state finalists will have the opportunity to break down complex national event guides into easy-to-follow overviews to help new members.

Lastly, I will energize our engagement with TSA alumni by creating an Alumni Ambassador program. This partnership will reconnect alumni with our delegation to expand mentorship, resources, and community within our PA-TSA family. I can't wait to meet you at Seven Springs! Remember, Be a Baddie and Vote for Natalie! :)

Sanjana Kilaru



The Pennsylvania Technology Student Association has been a defining part of my high school experience, shaping me both as a student and as a person. Over the past three years, I have gained valuable technical skills, collaborated on innovative projects, and created lasting memories with friends who share my passion for STEM. From competing in events to engaging in leadership opportunities, PA-TSA has provided me with a platform to grow, challenge myself, and develop both professionally and personally. Now, I want to give back to the organization that has given me so much by serving as PA-TSA's Secretary. As the current Outreach Committee Vice Chair, I have been able to witness how we are able to connect with sponsors and promote our organization. This experience has strengthened my leadership, communication, and organizational skills—qualities that are essential for the role of Secretary. If elected, I am excited to further my involvement by serving as the Chair of the Outreach Committee, where I can take on a greater role in growing our association and fostering valuable connections. PA-TSA has shaped my journey as a leader, problem-solver, and team player. I am eager to contribute my skills, experience, and dedication to this organization, ensuring that others can benefit from it just as much as I have.

Kavish Patel



Hey PA-TSA, my name is Kavish Patel, and I am running to be your 2025-2026 State Secretary. I have now participated in 4 years of TSA and wouldn't trade it for anything. I want to give PA-TSA members the same experiences by connecting with them and increasing their opportunities to be leaders in the technical world. I have held various positions in my TSA career, including having spent time as Chapter Secretary, where I helped increase my chapter's outreach within the chapter, including assisting with needed resources. Also, as the Region 3 Secretary and Sergeant-at-Arms, I've played a key role in creating successful regional conferences and special interest sessions.

As State Secretary, I will expand on the great work done by our current SOT by increasing the Outreach Committee's connections within our chapters through monthly chapter check-ins. Chapters would submit brief reports about needing assistance, or any idea they used in their chapter that would help others. I also hope to increase student and alumni connectivity through monthly Q&As and Spotlights, allowing students to get career advice and examples of TSA's impact on a person's growth. Another essential part of my campaign is to increase resources directly from the state level, such as promotion kits to expand a chapter's outreach and videos from the SOT with various tips and suggestions for the State Conference. Through these initiatives, I hope to gain your support.

Let's make the 2025-2026 TSA year the best one yet! Propel Forward with Patel!

Katie Scogna



I would be deeply honored to serve SOT 48 and the greater PA TSA community as next year's secretary. Over the years, PA TSA has provided me with countless invaluable experiences, shaping my growth both as a leader and as an individual. I am incredibly grateful for these opportunities and would love the chance to give back by continuing to support and strengthen this amazing organization.

My involvement in various committees and my role as this year's Region 9 Lead Representative have offered me meaningful insights into the ways we can enhance communication and collaboration across chapters. These experiences have also helped me understand the importance of creating opportunities for outreach and fostering stronger connections within our community.

If given the privilege to serve as secretary, I would strive to implement several initiatives to benefit our chapters. For example, I envision building an extensive contact list of businesses that chapters can use to explore fundraising opportunities and career connections. Additionally, I would like to host regular chapter feedback meetings, ensuring everyone's ideas and voices are heard, fostering inclusivity and collaboration. Finally, I would work on making resources such as tutorials available, designed to assist chapters in improving their community outreach and engagement efforts.

I am excited about the chance to contribute to our shared goals, and I am committed to working with dedication, humility, and teamwork as we continue to learn to lead in a technical world.

Kenisha Verma



Hey PA-TSA! My name is Kenisha Verma, and I am thrilled to be running for your 2025-2026 State Secretary. I've been a dedicated member for 5 years and currently serve as your Region 5 Vice President. Additionally, I'm involved in the Outreach, NSP, Regional Representatives, CAPC, and Inclusivity state committees, where I connect with TSA members across Pennsylvania and deepen my passion for this organization.

As State Secretary, I will revitalize the PA-TSA Resources Website by updating outdated event guides and broken links and adding resources, including a video tutorial series on setting up new chapters. This will ensure that all members, especially those in smaller chapters, have the tools they need to succeed.

Additionally, I want to foster direct connections between PA-TSA members and alumni through a Discord forum and a virtual alumni Q&A workshop. We must create a supportive community where members can gain valuable insights on competition, leadership, and college planning.

I'm sure many PA-TSA members are seeking ways to get involved in our community. Therefore, I want to facilitate volunteering opportunities for our members with local organizations and service projects, including the American Cancer Society.

Finally, I want to introduce a third activity for the end-of-conference celebration on Friday night at the State Conference. Adding something new and engaging will help create a more enjoyable experience for our members. PA-TSA, I'm so excited to have the chance to serve you as your next State Secretary. Remember that together, we can unleash-a our potential with Kenisha!

Vice President



Pranav Behal



Hey PA-TSA! I'm Pranav Behal, and I'm running to be your next State Vice-President. Over the past five years, TSA has let me learn, build projects, and lead others. I've served as my chapter's president and treasurer, where I ran meetings and led initiatives, and I previously helped increase my middle school's membership tenfold over three years. As my region's treasurer, I ran Miracle Minute and a regional concession stand.

By running an annual coding competition for the past three years and fundraising \$135,000 in prizes, I learned how to organize events from the ground up, partner with companies and STEM organizations, and secure sponsorships. I'll use these skills to expand PA TSA's college and career connections.

Specifically, as your next VP, I'll work on making TSA more recognized by colleges, so your hard work stands out on applications. By working with the Regional Representatives committee, we can invite local colleges to each regional conference to make a regional college fair SIS, letting colleges see the importance of TSA and the skills we students have.

To help chapters and regional conferences run smoothly, we can create toolkits & templates for chapter meetings and regional special interest sessions. Though the PA-TSA website has resources for chapters, they're outdated or not well-known. An example is the event recommender - I made a new version of this for my region, and want to let all PA-TSA members use it.

I look forward to meeting you all at states! Remember, don't stall, vote Behal!

Waneis Elshaari



Hello PA-TSA! My name is Waneis Elshaari and I am running to be your 25-26 PA-TSA Vice President! Throughout my years in TSA, I have developed a strong love for helping my fellow members, which has led me to multiple terms as a chapter officer and to becoming the current CSAC Vice-Chair. In the two years that I participated in Regional Representatives, I have found that regions go about their officer selections very differently. This causes large gaps in how regional conferences are run, which can result in varying satisfaction. I plan to change the structure of Regional Reps by implementing voting of regional officers, in order to provide all members with the opportunity for an officer position. This will help to increase member activity by providing them with empowerment.

I believe the vice president should be able to improve regional conferences and allow for members to enjoy every second of their regional TSA experience. I will achieve this by installing officer teams in all regions. A number of PA-TSA regions lack an officer team, which bars members from having the best regional experience possible. If elected, I would like to propose possible alternatives for medals at the award ceremony. These alternatives include plaques or thicker medals that will bring about more appeal. These alternatives can be voted on annually at the state conference and implemented the following year.

Vote me for Vice President, because you won't be sorry with Elshaari! Thank you, and I hope to see you soon!

Euchang Kim



The main position I am most interested in serving in is Vice President. The Vice President must have leadership skills, assist the President, communicate effectively with the State Officer team, and take on the President's duties if absent. They also chair the Regional Representatives Committee. While these responsibilities may seem hard, I am confident in my ability to perform these tasks with professionalism and dedication. At the start of every State officer meeting, I will always confirm that all officers are present and doing their assigned duties, addressing any problems before any meetings. I will always provide my full support to the President and confirm they have all the materials necessary to begin the meeting. During welfare and membership work, I am confident I will take full ownership of overseeing the State Officers' projects. If the President is absent, I will guarantee clear communication with them to complete the President's tasks. Additionally, as Vice President and chair of the Regional Representatives Committee, I will organize and manage the committee's activities with clear and thoughtful solutions. Finally, I am not just saying these responsibilities, I have proven my leadership skills in the past years as a former student president and in other leadership roles. I have presented my ability to lead with trust, responsibility, and commitment to TSA and the State Officers. In conclusion, I am not only prepared for this position but also eager to take on the position of Vice President, bringing reliable leadership and experience to the role.

Shreyasee Nanda



Through TSA, I've grown as a competitor and leader, driven by passion for service, innovation, and teamwork. My experience in committees and as vice president of my chapter has strengthened my ability to problem solve, communicate, and drive meaningful change. I plan to bring this to TSA through RISE: reach, involve, support, and engage.

The first step of RISE is to reach. By improving communication between state officers, regional representatives, and local chapters, all members can share ideas and access leadership. I will also expand our reach to underrepresented schools and connect with more alumni and industry professionals for mentorship, exposure, and sponsorship. I will involve members by working with the Regional Representatives Committee to implement mentorship programs and open more leadership opportunities, where experienced members can help guide through competitions and positions. I want our members to be more involved in the decisions being made for TSA. Through support, I will organize Q&A sessions, regional workshops, and provide competition guides to ensure all chapters, regardless of size, have the resources to succeed. Finally, I will engage members by connecting through joint initiatives, workshops, and networking events. I will also enhance engagement through social media with member spotlights and interactive challenges.

I believe strong leadership is rooted in a commitment to growth. I am eager to help every member gain new experiences through TSA, and I hope to serve with the rest of your state officer team to ensure every TSA member has the opportunity to RISE.

Trystan Steckbeck



I am currently serving as my chapter's president and would like to take the next step and serve the state level for many reasons. I am interested in the vice president position because I am very passionate about TSA and want to represent my chapter at the state level. This is something I have and am even more willing to continue putting lots of time into. Whether it's breaks or weekends I have put lots of time into TSA and I feel this is the best way to represent the hard work my chapter, Region 2, and the entirety of PA-TSA puts into their work. I feel this would be the best way to take the next step in not only my own TSA career, but also in making my chapter better to be a part of. I want to be a part of the state team because I want to be able to make change within our association. I want to be part of a bigger cause, instead of just positively impacting my own chapter, and make changes that would make PA-TSA a better association to be part of. The vice president position is the most interesting to me because it would help me to prepare for my future and my career, as well as my college career. This would be an amazing opportunity for me, not only personally, but also to help my chapter, Region 2, and PA-TSA as a whole.

Maximilian Wendekier



Hey PA-TSA! My name is Max Wendekier and I am running to be your next State Vice President! I am a firm believer that a successful chapter, region, or state organization is built on prosperous membership. As our organization continues to thrive, now is the time to grow and expand, together. As your next Vice President, my primary focus will be to increase statewide membership through new PA-TSA programs and initiatives to further ensure our organization's welfare and to align with National TSA's "Forward to Fifty" campaign. In support of this matter, I'll begin by introducing a "Chapter Start-Up Tool Kit" - a comprehensive guide to help new chapters get established. Secondly, I will implement a "Growing Together" initiative which will encourage established chapters to recruit and mentor new ones in their local area. In correlation to this, I will launch the PA-TSA Ambassador Program where students will have leadership opportunities to recruit and mentor new chapters. In order to accomplish these goals, the membership committee will be reactivated!

To increase networking opportunities, I plan to introduce a PA-TSA social media platform called "Tech Talk", and, therefore, reactivate "Website Initiatives Committee" to take charge. I also aim to bring a plethora of excitement and networking opportunities to the regional conferences! As we near the State Conference, I am excited to see the positive impact we can leave on PA-TSA, together. Be Part of the Change You Want to See, Vote Max for VP!

President



Akshath Giridhar



I want to redefine leadership in this election. Too often, candidates are chosen based on titles, school affiliations, or personal accolades. While achievements are commendable, they do not define true leadership. Leadership is about action, commitment, and the willingness to serve—not just a résumé. I believe you don't need to come from a prestigious background or have a long list of awards to make a real impact. What matters is dedication, responsibility, and the ability to inspire others. Leadership is about what you do, not just what you've done. My goal is to challenge the traditional standards of leadership and prove that real change comes from passion and purpose, not just prestige. I am here to serve, to listen, and to lead by example, not because of my past accomplishments, but because of my commitment to the future. It's not about who we are on paper, it's about what we do that truly makes a difference.

Narayani Sakthinathan



Hey PA-TSA! My name is Narayani Sakthinathan and I am excited to announce that I am running to be your 2025-26 State President. This past year has given me the opportunity to contribute to our delegation in so many different ways and meet such amazing people along the way! Serving as your State Sergeant-At-Arms, I have led the Inclusivity Committee, to expand collected information of resources certain schools have, celebrate less known STEAM contributors, and provide students with the opportunity to hear from experienced members of the STEAM field; through CSAC, we have organized a large variety of interest sessions including many fan favorites.

After visiting 2 other regional conferences, apart from my own, I have noticed differences in conference activities such as occurrence of special interest sessions, as well as material accessibility. If elected, I aim to increase needed resources in all PA-TSA regions, and increase the TSA spirit, particularly in smaller regions. Additionally, I aim to expand TSA community involvement, by giving members more opportunities to give back to the community with their knowledge of STEAM. It is also significant that we continue to expand our recognition of the senior class; they have worked hard to get to this point and deserve to be celebrated for their efforts! Through Instagram recognition of their TSA accolades and journey, we can spotlight the works of many.

Remember to keep it sunny with Narayani; I cannot wait to see you all at this year's state conference!