Texas State University System (TSUS)

Non-Voting - Student Regent

QUALIFICATIONS

- **Term:** June 1, 2027 – May 31, 2028

- **Academics:**
  - Undergraduate or Graduate student enrolled in a TSUS public institution of higher education
  - Good academic standing as determined by the institution
  - Overall average GPA of at least 2.5 and if selected, must maintain this minimum level through his/her term

- **Other:**
  - Must represent the interests of the students, their university, the university system and the State of Texas
  - Encouraged to be involved with student governments on each campus
  - Working relationship with faculty, staff and representative student organizations
  - Commit to required regent activities, including TSUS board meetings, orientation sessions conducted by the Office of the Governor and Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- **Due Date:** **No later than** Tuesday, December 1, 2026, by 5:00 pm
- **Submit To:** SHSU Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs (VPSA) c/o Debbie Nichols Lowman Student Center, Suite 310 or Campus Box 2237

- **Application Packet (single-sided):**
  1. Complete all forms directly following this page (print out the completed forms and sign)
     - *Include a professional picture either in the designated place within the application or attach to your application. The picture must be able to fit within the space provided.*
  2. Resume (limit two pages)
  3. Three letters of recommendation (one from each of the following)
     - The Dean of your college major (*Example: Accounting Major = Dean, College of Business Administration)*
     - Faculty Member
     - Faculty or Staff Member
  4. Official Transcript
  5. **Student applicants are responsible for obtaining all required signatures at the bottom of page 3, "Official Use Only".**
  6. All required documentation must be included with application packet at submission. Partial applications will not be accepted.

Application Form for Student Regent for
The Texas State University System
June 1, 2027 - May 31, 2028

Background

In 2005, the Texas Legislature approved the position of non-voting student regent. In accordance with the provisions of the Education Code, Sections 51.355 and 51.356, each public university board of regents shall include one student member appointed by the governor. The chancellor of each university system and president of each independent public university shall "develop a uniform application form to be used by each general academic teaching institution and medical and dental unit in the university system to solicit applicants for the position of student regent."

Student Regent

The student regent is a non-voting participant on the board of regents representing the students at each Texas public university system or independent public university. The student regent serves a one-year term commencing **June 1 and ending May 31 of the following year**. While technically not a member of the board of regents, a student regent does have the same powers and duties as the members of the board of regents, with the exception of voting, making or seconding motions, and being counted to determine a quorum.

To the best of their ability, the student regent represents the interests of the students, university system/university and the State of Texas. The student regents may serve on special commissions, task forces and committees during their term and are expected to participate in required regent activities, including orientation sessions conducted by the Office of the Governor and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Student regents will be required to file an annual personal financial statement with the Texas Ethics Commission and abide by the laws of the State of Texas applicable to board service, including the state ethics laws. The student regent is encouraged to be involved with the student governments on each campus which they represent and to have a working relationship with faculty, staff and representative student organizations.

Student Regent Qualifications

To qualify, an individual must be enrolled and in good standing as an undergraduate or graduate student in one of the institutions in The Texas State University System. The applicant must have earned a minimum of a 2.5 grade point average and must maintain this minimum performance level throughout his/her term. Please include an official transcript with the application. The president of the institution where the student is enrolled is required to notify the Governor if the student regent fails to maintain his/her qualifications. The Governor, in turn, will declare the position vacant and fill the vacancy as soon as practicable. A student regent is not eligible for reappointment. Preference will

be given to applicants who are residents of the State of Texas and who have a general knowledge of the functions of the board of regents. Student regent applicants must have a strong desire to represent all university students within their respective system/institution.

Overview of the Role of the Boards of Regents

The governor of the State of Texas appoints regents for all public university systems, including the Texas State University System.

The boards of regents for the State of Texas are vested with the legal and corporate authority to ensure that the mission of the system/university is carried out, and in doing so, are accountable to the citizens of Texas. Members of the board of regents are appointed by the governor with staggered six-year terms. One student regent is appointed with a one-year term. Many boards of regents operate through standing committees and also subcommittees and special committees and meet throughout the year.

The regents establish policy in areas such as personnel, campus development, student tuition and fees, admissions, and financial aid. The duties of the regents include overseeing the financial management of the system/university, its investments and property holdings as well as major appointments including the chancellors of the systems, presidents of the universities and other key personnel. The regents delegate a broad range of authority and responsibility to the system chancellor and university presidents.

Remuneration for Expenses

Although serving without compensation, a student regent is entitled to be reimbursed for expenses incurred for attendance at meetings of the board, its committees, other official university events and conferences where travel is approved for board members.

Timeline for the Texas State University System

The Student Government recommends up to five applicants for the position of student regent and submit all official documents (including an official transcript) to the president's office on each campus. (Note: At this stage, each applicant will have his/her academic, financial, and disciplinary standing verified by the registrar and appropriate student services administrator as well as a criminal records check completed through the University Police. See the information on page 5 of this application.)

By January 15	The president of the campus will forward the recommendations to the Chancellor's Office. The official applications will be filed in the president's office and a copy of the complete file forwarded to the Texas State University System.
By January 26	From the materials received, the chancellor will select two or more applicants (unranked) to submit to the governor for his consideration.
By June 1	The governor appoints a student regent for a one-year term expiring the following May 31. (By statute, the governor may request to review all applications received by the student governments. Additionally, the governor is not required to appoint an applicant recommended by the chancellor.)

2027-2028 Student Regent Application Form

- *Please print or type your information.*
- *Deliver in person or mail to the President's Office* ***(single sided originals only)***
- *Application for the position of student regent to the Texas State University System is due to the Chancellor's Office on* ***Friday, January 15, 2027, by 5:00 p.m. CT.***
- *Applications received after the deadline will not be eligible for consideration.*
- *This application may be subject to disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act. By signing this form, the applicant waives any exemption from disclosure afforded by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 12 USC 1232g, with the exception of a Student Identification Number which will be confidential unless otherwise provided by FERPA.*

All applicants must fill out this form and complete the required appointment application issued by the governor of Texas.

1. Name _____
2. University/Campus _____
3. Student Identification Number _____
4. Campus Mailing Address _____
5. Campus Telephone Number _____
6. Email Address _____
7. Are you a Texas resident? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Personal/Permanent Information if Different from Above (Winter/Summer Break contact):

8. Mailing Address _____
9. Telephone Number _____

I hereby certify that the foregoing and any attached statements are true, accurate and complete. I agree that any misstatement, misrepresentation or omission of a fact may result in my disqualification for appointment. I assign and hereby give the Texas State University System component college or university full authority to conduct background investigations pertinent to this application.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

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The student applicant is in good standing and, to the best of my knowledge, has met all obligations to which he/she has committed to the university.

Office of the Dean of Students: __Yes __No Initials: _____ Date: _____

Office of the Registrar (verify GPA provided above): Initials: _____ Date: _____

Criminal Records Check Completed by Appropriate Official: Initials: _____ Date: _____

Educational Background

10. Please check your class standing for the spring term

2026: ☐ Sophomore ☐ Junior ☐ Senior ☐ Graduate

11. Will you be enrolled as a student at this university continuously through the 2027-2028 academic year? ☐ Yes ☐ No *(See the information provided by Senate Bill 34 on pages 13-14 to determine if you qualify as being continuously enrolled through the academic year.)*

12. What is your Major? _____ Minor? _____

13. What is your intended degree and expected year of award? _____

14. What is your overall grade point average as of the latest completed semester? _____

15. To the best of your knowledge, are you in good standing at the present time with the university in all respects, with no delinquent financial obligations or pending disciplinary actions? ☐ Yes ☐ No

16. Have you been disciplined while attending this or any other institution of higher education for infractions of university policy? ☐ Yes ☐ No

17. List all colleges or universities you have attended with the dates you attended and any degrees you were awarded:

Institution Attended	Dates Attended	Semester Credit Hours Completed	Degree Awarded

18. Provide references below (limit three). One of your references must be a faculty member of this system/university who is familiar with your academic work and/or extracurricular leadership. Please include these supporting documents with your application (may be submitted in sealed envelope).

Name/Title	**Relationship to Applicant**	**Email Address**	**Telephone Number**

On additional paper, please respond to the questions below. Limit your response to each question to not more than 250 words. Finally, you may wish to include your resumé with this application (limit two pages).

19. Brief Essay: Explain your interest in serving on the board of regents of the Texas State University System and identify the issues you wish to address as a board member.
20. List participation in student activities and social organizations at this or other higher education campuses, including the approximate beginning month/year and ending month/year, noting where service as an officer applies.
21. List participation in civic and/or social organizations not affiliated with higher education, including the approximate beginning month/year and ending month/year, noting where service as an officer applies.
22. List any employment or other experiences that you deem to be significant.

GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

1. Personal Information

			2. Photograph
Full Legal Name			(Photo may be attached as a separate attachment/document)
Preferred Name			
Spouse's Name			
Physical Home Address			
City, State Zip			
Mailing Address			
City, State Zip			
County	Work Telephone	Home Telephone	
Cellular	Preferred E-mail Address		State Senator
Secondary E-Mail Address (if applicable)			State Representative

3. State Board(s), Commission(s), Task Force(s) or Areas of Interest to You:

The list of all entities to which the Governor makes appointments and areas of interest may be found at: https://gov.texas.gov/organization/appointments/positions. If you are applying for a judicial or district attorney appointment, please list the position below.

4. Employment Information

Employer	Employer's Address	Present Job Title
		Profession
Present Job Description		

Name

5. Education/Training

Type of School	Name and Location of School	Year Graduated	Degree and Field of Study
High School			
Undergraduate			
Graduate			
Other			

6. Employment History

Employer	Position	Dates	Location

7. References

Name	Employer	City	Telephone	Relationship

8. Professional Memberships (including any state bar memberships)

Organization	Title/Position	Current/Former

9. Volunteer Participation

Organization	Title/Position	Current/Former

10. Military Service

Are you or have you ever been a member of the Armed Forces of the United States: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Branch	Dates of Service	Type of Discharge

Name

11. Social Media Information

Do you use, or have you ever used, any of the following? If "yes," provide additional information.		
Facebook	☐ Yes ☐ No	Username
Twitter	☐ Yes ☐ No	Handle @
Instagram	☐ Yes ☐ No	Username
LinkedIn	☐ Yes ☐ No	Profile

12. Spouse Information ☐ This Section Not Applicable

Spouse's Employer	Job Title/Position
Does your spouse conduct any business with or before the Texas Legislature or any other state entity? ☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, please list agencies:

13. Miscellaneous Information

Note: "Material interest" is defined as (a) serving on the governing board of directors or (b) a ten (10) percent or greater ownership. This does not apply to any mutual funds in which you do not exercise authority in investment decisions.

Have you filed federal income tax returns for the past five (5) years? If no, give details.	☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you, your spouse, or any company in which you have a material interest currently delinquent in any local, state or federal taxes? If yes, give details.	☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you ever defaulted on a personal, business or student loan? If yes, give details.			☐ Yes ☐ No
Type of Loan	**Date**	**Details**	

Have you, your spouse, or any company in which you have a material interest or of which you have been an officer or principal been involved in any bankruptcy proceeding? If yes, give details including dates.	☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you currently serve, or have you ever served, on any local, state or federal government board, commission or committee or in any elected or appointed office?				☐ Yes ☐ No
Entity	**Position**	**Dates**	**Compensated (Y/N)**	**Reimbursed (Y/N)**

Name

13. Miscellaneous Information (Continued)

Are you or your spouse related to a local, state, or federal public official?	☐ Yes ☐ No
Name of Official and Title	**Relationship**

Do you or your spouse have any material interest in, or are either of you employed by, any company that does business with or receives funds from the State of Texas? If yes, give full name and details:	☐ Yes ☐ No
Name of Company	**Details**

Are you or your spouse an officer, director, employee or paid consultant of a trade association? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Self
If yes, please list association and position:	Spouse

Have you or your spouse ever been registered as a lobbyist or received compensation to represent someone before a local, state, or federal government?			☐ Yes ☐ No
Self or Spouse	**Entity Represented**	**Entity Lobbied**	**Dates**

Have you, your spouse, or any company in which you or your spouse have a material interest been party to litigation? If yes, give details.	☐ Yes ☐ No

In the last five years, have you, or any company in which you have a material interest, been licensed by a Texas state agency? If yes, give details.			☐ Yes ☐ No
Agency	**Type of License**	**License #**	**Expiration**

Have you ever been delinquent in child support payments? If yes, give details.	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable

Name

13. Miscellaneous Information (Continued)

To the best of your knowledge, has any federal, state or local law enforcement or regulatory agency (on behalf of itself or any other person or entity) filed or investigated any grievance or complaint against you, your spouse, or an entity in which you have a material interest? If yes, give details and disposition (investigated, dismissed, reprimanded)	☐ Yes ☐ No

Agency	Date	Details and Disposition

To the best of your knowledge, have you, your spouse, or any company in which you have a material interest been investigated, reprimanded, fined or suspended from doing business with any state or federal agency? If yes, give details and disposition (investigated, reprimanded, fined, suspended)	☐ Yes ☐ No

Agency	Date	Details and Disposition

Have you ever been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations), placed on probation, required to perform community service, or had a criminal proceeding disposed of by pre-trial diversion, deferred prosecution, deferred adjudication, or some similar proceeding? If yes, list the charge, the date of the offense, the city and/or county and state in which it allegedly occurred, and the disposition thereof.	☐ Yes ☐ No

14. Certification

Full Legal Name		
Date of Birth	Texas Driver License or DPS ID#	
Are you a U.S. Citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Place of Birth	
Date of naturalization (if not a citizen upon birth)		
Ethnicity: (optional; check all that apply) ☐ White ☐ African American ☐ Native American ☐ Hispanic ☐ Asian American ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ☐ Two or More Races ☐ Other		

Notes:

- Appointment to a Board or Commission may require the annual filing of a Personal Financial Statement (PFS) Form with the Texas Ethics Commission.
- A resume must be attached in order for this application to be considered complete.
- All current and former attorneys must also complete the State Bar and Judicial Conduct Release Form.
- Judicial and district attorney candidates must also complete the Judicial Questionnaire and the State Bar and Judicial Conduct Release From.
- Any information provided on the application or attached may be subject to the Texas Public Information Act. This means that an individual requesting copies of the information in your file may be provided access to that information.

CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT

I hereby certify that the foregoing and any attached statements are true, accurate and complete. I agree that any misstatement, misrepresentation, or omission of a fact may result in my disqualification for appointment. I assign and hereby give the Office of the Governor full authority to conduct background investigations pertinent to this application. I specifically authorize the Texas Department of Public Safety to conduct a background investigation and to disclose the results of that investigation to the Governor or his authorized representative.

_____
Applicant's Signature

_____
Date

Submit by ONE of the following:
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Austin, Texas 78711

ServingTexas@gov.texas.gov (with signed signature page)