# 2018 JYGSTATE CONFERENCE

February 23-24 Austin, Texas







**TEXAS YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT** 

#### Governor's Message

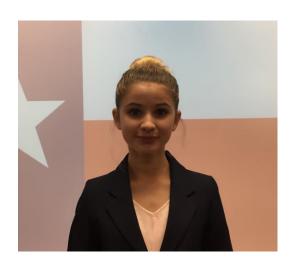
Hello Delegates, Alumni, Volunteers, and YMCA staff.

We are now kicking off the 2018 Annual youth and government state conference. During this weekend my term will come to an end and I will have been proud to serve such an amazing group of delegates and YMCA contributors. In the upcoming days all of the contributors from around the state will come together and see the outcome of all the hard work they have put in this year. Delegates, you are held to high standards. All of the wonderful Alumni, Volunteers, and YMCA staff have put in months of preparation to organize this conference and I would like to personally thank them for their efforts. I am confident that delegates will make it worth their while. This program has brought amazing leaders and passionate kids together and as you debate, I encourage you to use these qualities and be the statesmen you are. Be sure to enjoy every drop of this experience. There will never be another 2018, so why don't we make it the best year yet.

Sincerely,

Peyton Childs
Junior Youth Governor
2017-2018

## Student Officers 2017-18



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McKinney YMCA
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# YMCA TEXAS JUNIOR YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT 2018 CONFERENCE EDIDAY SERBUARY 2280, DUCINESS CACUAL

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD: BUSINESS CASUAL

11:00 AM -12:00 PM Delegations arrive. Luggage storage:

Austin District BLANCO (MTG. IN BOSQUE ROOM)

Dallas District RIO GRANDE BALLROOM B (MTG. HERE)

Fort Worth District ARBOR (MTG. IN PECOS ROOM)
Houston District FRIO (MTG. IN BRAZOS ROOM)

12:00 PM -12:30 PM Candidate Qualification Meeting – CANADIAN ROOM

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Committee Chair/Clerk Trainings - (LEG) SAN SABA ROOMS

**1:30 PM - 2:45 PM** Section Orientations and Elections

Senate CONCHO ROOM

House RIO GRANDE BALLROOM A

Duran House SAN ANTONIO ROOM

Duran Council RIO GRANDE BALLROOM B

Governor's Cabinet CANADIAN ROOM

State Affairs Forum PECOS ROOM

1:45 PM - 2:30 PM Adult Meeting WEDGEWOOD BALLROOM

3:00 PM - 3:45 PM Opening Ceremony and Campaign Rally RIO GRANDE BALLROOM A

**4:00 PM - 6:00 PM** Legislative and State Affairs Forum Hearing Committees Convene

Legislative Committees SEE BILL BOOK

SAF Committees and Chair/Clerk Training TRINITY ROOM A & B

**6:00 PM - 7:45 PM** Dinner on own (\*All luggage must be moved up to hotel rooms by 8:00 PM.)

District Directors Room Key Pick-Up PLAZA BOOTH A

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Voting Opens LOBBY AREA

**8:00 PM -10:00PM** Legislative & State Affairs Forum Committees (see bill/proposal books)

8:00 PM -10:00PM Adult Social Room TBD

9:30 PM - 10:30 PM Voting Opens LOBBY AREA

10:30 PM - 10:50 PM DELEGATION MEETINGS (OPTIONAL: SAME MTG ROOMS AS ARRIVAL)

11:00 PM ROOM CURFEW - DELEGATES MUST BE IN DESIGNATED HOTEL ROOM

# YMCA TEXAS JUNIOR YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT 2018 CONFERENCE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>: BUSINESS ATTIRE

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|-------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| 8:00 AM Departure | Bus Shuttle A to Capitol: HOUSE, SENATE, GOVERNOR'S CABINET |                                     |
| 8:30 AM Departure | Bus Shuttle B to Capitol: DURAN HOUSE, DURAN COUNCIL, SAF   |                                     |
|                   | 5 A55.1 E   |                                     |
| 9:30 AM -11:30 AM | State Affairs Forum   | E2.012/E2.014/E2.016                |
| 11:30 AM-12:15 PM | State Affairs Lunch   | Legislative Conference Center (LCC) |
| 12:15 PM-4:15 PM  | State Affairs Forum   | CAPITOL AUDITORIUM                  |
| 4:30 PM Shuttle   | State Affairs to Bus Pick-Up Area                           |                                     |
| 9:30 AM -12:15 PM | Duran Council   | E2.030                              |
| 12:15 PM -1:00 PM | Duran Council Lunch   | Legislative Conference Center (LCC) |
| 1:00 PM -4:15 PM  | Duran Council   | E2.030                              |
|                   |   |                                     |
| 4:30 PM Shuttle   | Duran Council to Bus Pick-Up Area                           | ı                                   |
| 9:30 AM -12:15 PM | Duran House   | E2.026                              |
| 12:15 PM -1:00 PM | Duran House Lunch   | Legislative Conference Center (LCC) |
| 1:00 PM -4:15 PM  | Duran House   | E2.026                              |
| 4:30 PM Shuttle   | Duran House to Bus Pick-Up Area                             |                                     |
|                   |   |                                     |
| 9:30 AM -12:45 PM | House   | HOUSE CHAMBERS                      |
| 12:45 PM -1:30 PM | House Lunch   | Legislative Conference Center (LCC) |
| 1:30 PM -5:00 PM  | House   | HOUSE CHAMBERS                      |
| 5:00 PM Shuttle   | House to Bus Pick-Up Area                                   |                                     |
|                   |   |                                     |
| 9:30 AM -12:45 PM | Senate  | SENATE CHAMBERS                     |
| 12:45 PM -1:30 PM | Senate Lunch  | Capitol Grill Cafeteria             |
| 1:30 PM -5:00 PM  | Senate  | SENATE CHAMBERS                     |
| 5:00 PM Shuttle   | Senate to Bus Pick-Up Area                                  |                                     |
|                   |   |                                     |
| 9:30 AM -12:45 PM | Governor's Cabinet  | SENATE PRESS ROOM                   |
| 12:45 PM -1:30 PM | Governor's Cabinet Lunch                                    | Legislative Conference Center (LCC) |
| 1:30 PM -5:00 PM  | Governor's Cabinet  | SENATE PRESS ROOM                   |
| 5:00 PM Shuttle   | Governor's Cabinet to Bus Pick-Up                           | Area                                |
| 4:30 PM - 5:00 PM | Shuttles back to Hotel based on your section times above.   |                                     |
| 7.30 FM - 3:00 FM | Direction times above.                                      |                                     |

Meet buses in the same location as you were dropped off.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH: BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Banquet (Business Attire) RIO GRANDE BALLROOM A

7:45 PM - 8:30 PM Closing and Awards Ceremony GRAND BALLROOM A

9:00 PM - 11:00 PM Dance RIO GRANDE BALLROOM A

Active Games SAN ANTONIO ROOM

Board Games SABINE ROOM

Karaoke WEDGEWOOD BALLROOM

Movie TRINITY B
Photo Booth PECOS ROOM
Balloons/Caricature Artists SAN SABA ROOM
Study Hall CONCHO ROOM

Adult Social TRINITY A

10:00 PM NO UP AND DOWN TO ROOMS - Students, once you choose to go to your

room, you will not be allowed to come down to evening activities after this

time.

11:30 PM ROOM CURFEW

11:30 PM - 7:00 AM ROOM CURFEW - DELEGATES MUST BE IN DESIGNATED HOTEL ROOM

ADULTS TO DO ROOM CHECKS AFTER CURFEW
YG SECURITY AND ADULTS REPORT TO YOUR DAY AND EVENING SHIFTS

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>: CASUAL ATTIRE**

#### **RENAISSANCE DEPARTURE**

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM AUSTIN
 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM DALLAS
 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM FT. WORTH
 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM HOUSTON

#### **CONFERENCE BADGES**

Conference identification badges (nametags) will be issued to each delegate and advisor. This is your identification for admission to all sessions, buildings, and hotel. Wear it at all times, above the waist, and on the outside of jackets. Students please note that only your Advisor should request a replacement badge for you, there will be a sign-up sheet at the hotel info booth for advisors, and then conference staff will print a new one. Your badge should be visible at all times throughout the Conference. All adults must wear the conference badge at all times.

#### **INFO DEPOT**

Questions about the conference, volunteer check in, nametag reorders, visitor sign-in and general information will be answered in our Security Office located in Frio Meeting Room at the conference hotel. If you are at the State Capitol, please go to the Legislative Conference Center E2.002 (Extension Second Floor). All issues related to lost and found, incidents, accidents, and shuttles, please go to the Y&G Security Office.

#### **YMCA SECURITY OFFICE**

The Y&G Security Office will be responsible for lost and found, incidents and accidents, supervision of elevator use and shuttles, passing out extra towels and toiletries, air-mattresses, and the keeping of records of all incidents.

Y&G Security, in cooperation with the State Director and the Renaissance Hotel Security, will be responsible for supervision and security of the hotel facility during the State Conference (including routine floor sweeps, door duty, and elevator supervision); discipline of delegates in cooperation with respective District Directors; innovation and initiation of functional improvements; training of delegates and advisors regarding hotel matters; and evaluation of completed program. This group will be a mix of YMCA Staff and volunteers. Y&G Security will be in designated vests, or wearing specific name badges/buttons rather than business attire.

#### YG STATE CONFERENCE OFFICE-GUADALUPE ROOM

This office is the headquarters for the State Conference. Helpers will be here to assist you if there are any problems that an Info Depot, District Director or the YG Security Office cannot assist you with. Please note that for the most part all questions need to be referred to the Y&G Security Office or Conference Office first, not the Hotel Staff.

#### **CARE OF FACILITIES**

You and/or your delegation will be held financially responsible for any damage to the facility or equipment. The State of Texas and the Renaissance have been most cooperative in providing the fine facilities for the Youth and Government Program. Over the years, the delegates have shown their appreciation for this privilege through their care for the safety and condition of the facilities. The members of the Conference will want to continue this tradition by being especially careful not to misuse the equipment.

Microphones, desk telephones are not to be used and papers in or on the desk must not be disturbed at the Capitol. NO food or drinks will be allowed in the Capitol. Cell phone use is prohibited while in session. Security cameras are in use at the Capitol facilities and are monitored. When using the writing desks in the House or Senate Chambers, please use the Bill Book between your paper and the desk.

#### IN CASE OF SERIOUS ILLNESS OR EMERGENCY

Contact your local YMCA staff member and the Y&G Security office in case of illness. **Attendance is taken at each session and any student not in the session must be accounted for**. Call 911 in case of an emergency and then contact the Y&G Security Office.

Hospital in the Capitol area: BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL, 1500 East Avenue (15th & I-35) 512/476-6461. In the Hotel area: SETON NORTHWEST HOSPITAL, 11113 Research Blvd. (Hwy. 183), 512/795-1010 (emergency).

#### **DANCE GUIDELINES**

The Texas YMCA Youth and Government Program strives to keep the dances at the State Conference appropriate and enjoyable for all. Each student is required to abide by the following guidelines and should read them prior to participating in the Saturday night dance at State. These guidelines must be followed at all times. Adults will be closely monitoring the behavior of students during the dance.

- Students must abide by the Conference Dress Code.
- Students are not to bunch up in tightly packed groups or bounce/push into each other. Moshing is prohibited.
- Students are to refrain from all forms of "horse-play" (i.e., running around, wrestling, etc.,)
- All dance moves should be done with dignity and self-respect.
- Suggestive dancing is prohibited. Grinding, straddling, bending over, and any other inappropriate moves are strictly prohibited.
- Feet must remain on the floor. Students are prohibited from lying on the dance floor.
- Shoes must be worn.
- Hands must remain visible during the dance. Hands should be on the hips and shoulders only. Inappropriate touching and/or gestures are strictly prohibited.
- Any dance moves or behavior that an adult monitor deems inappropriate and/or indecent will not be permitted.
- A student will receive one warning for inappropriate dancing. If the behavior persists, the student will be restricted from the dance.

#### **SAFETY AND HEALTH**

YG Security will post key staff and volunteers in various locations at the hotel during activities. YG Security will deal with incidents and accidents. YG Security is NOT responsible for supervision of the students. Local club leaders (YMCA and School adults) are responsible for their student's supervision.

Safety of all participants is a major concern of the YMCA. To provide protection, delegates are expected to remain in designated conference areas and further comply with the following restrictions:

• Delegates will be in their rooms at the designated curfews listed in the program schedule.

#### For your own protection, please observe the following rules:

- Do not walk alone at any time, but in a group, with another delegate or advisors.
- Always lock your hotel room door when you leave and when you retire.
- Do not leave valuables in your hotel room or unsupervised.
- YMCA IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOST OR STOLEN ITEMS.
- An adult cannot be one on one with student's at any time.
- An advisor must be with you in order for you to ride in another vehicle that is not the YMCA chartered bus or vehicle. Prior approval from State Director and District Director must be obtained.

#### **Behavior Policy Statement**

The YMCA reserves the right to warn, suspend, dismiss or remove any program participant or member from our programs, program locations and facilities upon the following conditions:

- If their behavior poses a threat to themselves or others.
- If they require an inordinate amount of attention from the staff thereby causing inadequate levels of supervision for the remainder of the participants or members.
- If their behavior is determined to be inappropriate within the scope and spirit of the YMCA values.
- For any reason within the discretion of YMCA management

If teen is removed from the program for any of the above reasons, parent/guardian must retrieve teen at their own expense.

#### PREMIER DELEGATION

Individual Delegations from each District will be recognized at the Closing who has met the following criteria:

- Minimum of 10 students in club
- Students and Advisors submit all required documentation for their delegation such as bills, proposals, briefs, candidate applications, Code of Conduct and Signature Form by the designated deadline and in the format required by District Director
- Participation in scheduled events by all club members and adult leaders during the conferences (District and State)
- All Students, Adult Advisors/YMCA Staff/Volunteers of the delegation must display active participation. (For example- making an effort to be engaged rather than sleeping in sessions)
- Exceptional overall positive behavior of delegation, students and adults at all times
- Abide by Code of Conduct and Dress Code
- Advisors signup and complete volunteer duties during the conference

#### PREMIER DELEGATIONS, 2018 STATE CONFERENCE:

| DISTRICT   | Delegation                  | YMCA                           |
|------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Fort Worth | Christian Life Preparatory  | Benbrook Community Center YMCA |
| Fort Worth | Meadowbrook Middle School   | McDonald Community YMCA        |
| Fort Worth | Oakridge Middle School      | Cooper Family Center           |
| Fort Worth | Wayside Middle School       | Northwest YMCA                 |
| Fort Worth | William James Middle School | McDonald Community YMCA        |
| Dallas     | Coppell Middle West         | Coppell YMCA                   |
| Dallas     | Lakehill Preparatory School | White Rock YMCA                |

## MIDDLE SCHOOLS AND YMCA-BASED YG CLUBS REPRESENTED AT THE 2018 JYG STATE CONFERENCE

| DISTRICT   | School or YG Club Represented                  | YMCA                              |
|------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Houston    | Gentry Jr. High School                         | Baytown Family YMCA               |
| Houston    | KIPP Connect                                   | Connect @ 6800 YMCA               |
| Houston    | Stevenson Middle School                        | Cossaboom Family YMCA             |
| Houston    | Ft. Bend YMCA Branch Middle School Delegation  | Fort Bend Family YMCA             |
| Houston    | M.D. Anderson Onsite Club                      | M.D. Anderson Family YMCA         |
| Houston    | Mickey Leland College Preparatory Academy      | Vic Coppinger Family YMCA         |
| Fort Worth | Young Women's Leadership Academy Middle School | Amon G. Carter, Jr. Downtown YMCA |
| Fort Worth | Christian Life Preparatory Middle School       | Benbrook Community Center YMCA    |
| Fort Worth | Oakridge Middle School                         | Cooper Family Center              |

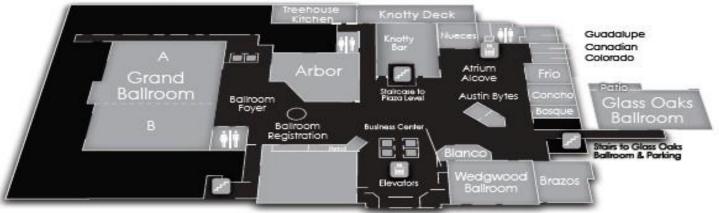
|            | Meadowbrook Middle School                | ,                       |
|------------|--|-------------------------|
|            | ricado no rock rindale Selicol           | McDonald Community YMCA |
| Fort Worth | William James Middle School              | McDonald Community YMCA |
| Fort Worth | Lake County Christian Middle School      | Northwest YMCA          |
| Fort Worth | Prairie Vista Middle School              | Northwest YMCA          |
| Fort Worth | Wayside Middle School                    | Northwest YMCA          |
| Fort Worth | Texas Academy of Biomedical Sciences     | Westside YMCA           |
| Dallas (   | Coppell Middle West                      | Coppell YMCA            |
| Dallas (   | Grand Prairie YMCA Branch Club           | Grand Prairie YMCA      |
| Dallas     | Truman Middle School                     | Grand Prairie YMCA      |
| Dallas E   | Bowie Middle School                      | Irving YMCA             |
| Dallas (   | Crockett Middle School                   | Irving YMCA             |
| Dallas (   | Cockrill Middle School                   | McKinney YMCA           |
| Dallas [   | Dowell Middle School                     | McKinney YMCA           |
| Dallas E   | Evans Middle School                      | McKinney YMCA           |
| Dallas F   | Faubion Middle School                    | McKinney YMCA           |
| Dallas I   | lmagine International Academy            | McKinney YMCA           |
| Dallas I   | Highland Park Middle School              | Moody Family YMCA       |
| Dallas E   | Brandenburg Intermediate School          | Oak Cliff YMCA          |
| Dallas E   | Byrd Middle School                       | Oak Cliff YMCA          |
| Dallas [   | Daniel Intermediate School               | Oak Cliff YMCA          |
| Dallas F   | Fellowship Christian Academy             | Oak Cliff YMCA          |
| Dallas I   | Kennemer Middle School                   | Oak Cliff YMCA          |
| Dallas I   | KIPP Destiny Middle School               | Oak Cliff YMCA          |
| Dallas F   | Reed Middle School                       | Oak Cliff YMCA          |
| Dallas F   | Plano YMCA Branch Club                   | Plano YMCA              |
| Dallas F   | Richardson Homeschool Delegation         | Richardson YMCA         |
| Dallas     | St. Paul the Apostle                     | Richardson YMCA         |
| Dallas E   | Episcopal School of Dallas Middle School | Town North YMCA         |
| Dallas /   | Austin Academy for Excellence            | White Rock YMCA         |
| Dallas (   | Coyle Middle School                      | White Rock YMCA         |
| Dallas J   | Jackson Technology Center                | White Rock YMCA         |
| Dallas I   | Lakehill Preparatory School              | White Rock YMCA         |
| Dallas \   | Webb Middle School                       | White Rock YMCA         |
| Austin [   | Dahlstrom Middle School                  | Southwest Branch YMCA   |
| Austin     | Small Middle School                      | Southwest Branch YMCA   |

#### **RENAISSANCE HOTEL MAP**

Address: 9721 ARBORETUM BLVD AUSTIN, TX 78759 Hotel #512-343-2626



#### Atrium Level (Lobby Level)



Guest Arrival Front Drive

## Plaza Level (Lower Level)

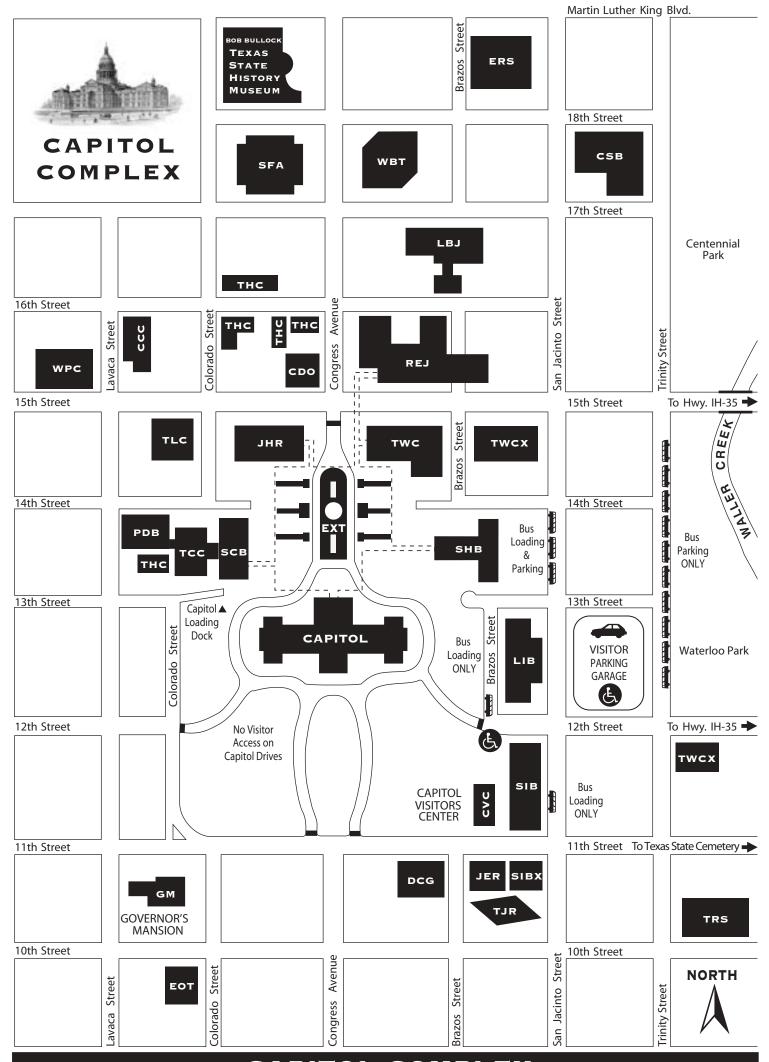


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#### CAPITOL COMPLEX

- CCC Capitol Complex Child Care Center
- **CVC** Capitol Visitors Center
- CDO Capitol District Office
- **CSB** Central Services Building
- DCG Dewitt C. Greer
- EOT Ernest O. Thompson
- ERS Employee Retirement System
- EXT Capitol Extension (Underground)
- GM Governor's Mansion
- JER James Earl Rudder

- JHR John H. Reagan
- LBJ Lyndon B. Johnson
- LIB Lorenzo de Zavala State Archives and Library
- PDB Price Daniel Sr. Building
- REJ Robert E. Johnson
- SCB Supreme Court Building
- SFA Stephen F. Austin
- SHB Sam Houston Building SIB State Insurance Building
- SIBX State Insurance Building Annex

- TCC Tom C. Clark
- TJR Thomas Jefferson Rusk
- TRS Teacher Retirement System
- THC **Texas Historical Commission**
- TSHM Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum
- TWC **Texas Workforce Commission**
- TWCX Texas Workforce Commission Annex
  - TI C Texas Law Center
- WIlliam B. Travis **WBT**
- WPC William P. Clements, Jr.

#### THANK YOU TO OUR SECTION LEADERS, ADVISORS AND STAFF

| NAME                   | SECTION             |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| Jay Heinrich           | Duran House         |
| David Norman           | Duran House         |
| Cameron McVay          | Duran Council       |
| Carolyn Searles        | House               |
| Josh Dunn              | House               |
| Jason Turnbull         | House               |
| Judith Anderson-Bruess | Senate              |
| Samantha Buehler       | Governor's Cabinet  |
| Cassie McKee           | State Affairs Forum |
| Holli Winn             | Elections           |
| Thom Parker            | Security            |

#### **HONORING OUR PAST**

#### **JUNIOR YOUTH GOVERNORS**

| YEAR OF ELECTION | NAME                                 | DISTRICT   |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| 2010-2011        | Kire Jackson                         | Dallas     |
|                  | * Served as Speaker of the House, as |            |
|                  | we did not yet have the Governor     |            |
|                  | position available                   |            |
| 2011-2012        | Mandy Wallner                        | Dallas     |
| 2012-2013        | Lexi Thorson                         | Dallas     |
| 2013-2014        | Riley Milliken                       | Dallas     |
| 2014-2015        | Michael Brown                        | Dallas     |
| 2015-2016        | Sterling Pruitt                      | Dallas     |
| 2016-2017        | Griffin White                        | Fort Worth |

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