

2023 JYG STATE CONFERENCE

January 27–29
Austin, Texas



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TEXAS YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT

HONORING OUR PAST JUNIOR YOUTH GOVERNORS

JUNIOR YOUTH GOVERNORS

Year	Name	District
2010-2011	Kire Jackson – Speaker of the House **No Governor position available this year	Dallas
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
2017-2018	Peyton Childs	Dallas
2018-2019	Davis Winn	Dallas
2019-2020	Diya Hedge	Dallas
2020- 2021	Scout Sowers	Austin
2021- 2022	Meika Kuns	Dallas

Pete Duran, namesake of Duran sections and founder of Youth and Government in 1936: “Democracy must be learned by each generation”

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SUZANNE MABIE AWARD

This award recognizes Suzanne Mabie, former YMCA Youth and Government State Director in Louisiana and Texas and while State Director for Texas, Ms. Mabie created the YMCA Texas Junior Youth and Government Program. Additionally, Ms. Mabie later worked with YMCA of the USA as a Technical Advisor for Youth Events as well as Youth and Government support. Her dedication, kindness and passion for serving youth and teens have made a positive impact on program participants, YMCA staff and volunteers throughout the country. In her honor, we present this award to an outstanding YMCA Staff or Volunteer of the YMCA Texas Junior Youth and Government Program who embodies outstanding servant- leadership.

NAME	YEAR
Judith Anderson Bruess	2017
Carolyn Searles	2019
Cameron McVay	2022

THANK YOU, SECTION LEADERS, ADVISORS AND STAFF!!

Carolyn Searles	Senate	Armita Katarapu	Program Intern
Jessie Searles	Senate	Evan Lee	Program Intern
Cameron McVay	House	Mary Margret Speed	Program Intern
Rob Moore	House	Allie Quintana	Program Intern
Cassie McKee	State Affairs Forum	Suzanne Mabie	Opening/Closing Ceremony
Becca Pel	State Affairs Forum	Andrew Wiggins	Transportation
Jason Turnball	Media	Yashi McGowan	Dallas District Director
Tamina Allen	Media	AJ Rea	Ft Worth District Director
Matt Wilson	Conference Logistics	Gloria Guzman	Houston District Director
Shayna Molinar	Security	Jocelyn Sanchez	Program Coordinator
Jurgen Anderson	Conference Support	Kim Yeakey	Vice President – Programs
Carolyn Storm Kettenacker	Help Desk	Missy Garcia	State Director
Alejandra Alvarado	Program Intern		

We appreciate each and every one of you who lent your support to the Section Leaders and to the program overall. Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers, YMCA staff, and alumni from across Texas.

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FRIDAY JANUARY 27th: BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL

LOCATION: Renaissance Austin Hotel on 9721 Arboretum Blvd, Austin, TX 78759

SCHEDULE

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Delegation Luggage
Dallas	Bluebonnet
Ft. Worth	Bosque
Houston	Concho
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Check-In – Teachers collect packets for their campus.
All Districts	Arbor
12:00 PM - 10:30 PM	Break Room
All Districts	San Saba- Open for all districts to use during their breaks
1:30 PM - 2:15 PM	Opening Ceremony
All Districts	Grand Ballroom
2:30 PM - 3:45 PM	Section Orientation
House	Sabine
Senate	San Marcos
State Affairs Forum	Trinity
Media	San Antonio
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Dinner/Move into Hotel Rooms
All District	Grand Ballroom
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Leadership Dinner
Leadership	Nueces
6:00 PM - 9:30 PM	Hearing Committees
Legislative	Committee 1 – San Antonio
	Committee 2 – San Marcos
	Committee 3 – Sabine
	Committee 4 – Trinity B
	Committee 5 – Trinity A
	Committee 6 – Pecos
State Affairs Forum	Committees 7, 8, 9 – Rio Grande Exhibit A
	Committees 10, 11, 12 – Rio Grande Exhibit B
	Committee A – Frio
	Committee B – Bluebonnet
	Committee C – Brazos
	Committee D – Bosque
8:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Committee E – Concho
	Adult Meeting
Adults	Grand Ballroom
9:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Delegation Meetings
Dallas	Grand Ballroom
Ft. Worth	Bluebonnet
Houston	Frio

6:00pm Hotel Curfew

10:30 PM CURFEW – all delegates must be in their assigned hotel room

ADULTS TO DO ROOM CHECKS AFTER CURFEW

2023 YMCA TEXAS JUNIOR YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT SATURDAY JANUARY 28th: BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL

LOCATION: Texas State Capitol on 1100 Congress Ave, Austin, TX 78701

SCHEDULE

8:00 AM	House	Buses Departs to Capitol – Dress Code will be enforced as buses load. Bus loading outside by Glass Oaks entrance
	Senate	Bus loading outside by Glass Oaks entrance
8:30 AM	State Affairs Forum	Buses Departs to Capitol – Dress Code will be enforced as buses load. Bus loading outside by Glass Oaks entrance
	Media	Bus loading outside by Glass Oaks entrance
9:00 AM		Capitol Security Opens 4 entry points N, S, E, W
9:30 AM		Sessions Gavel In
	House	Capitol Auditorium
	Senate	Senate Chambers
	State Affairs Forum	Committee Rooms
12:00 PM	State Affairs Forum	Lunch Legislative Conference Center
	Media	Legislative Conference Center
12:30 PM	House	Lunch Legislative Conference Center
	Senate	Legislative Conference Center
1:00 PM – 4:30 PM		Sessions Resume
	State Affairs Forum	Committee Rooms
1:30 PM – 5:00 PM	House	Sessions Resume Capitol Auditorium
	Senate	Senate Chambers
4:30 PM	State Affairs Forum	Buses Depart to Hotel Bus loading at Brazos & 12 th Street – Same place as drop off
	Media	Bus loading at Brazos & 12 th Street – Same place as drop off
5:00 PM	House	Buses Depart to Hotel Bus loading at Brazos & 12 th Street – Same place as drop off
	Senate	Bus loading at Brazos & 12 th Street – Same place as drop off
6:15 PM – 7:15 PM	All Districts	Banquet Grand Ballroom
7:15 PM – 8:15 PM	All Districts	Closing Ceremony Begins Grand Ballroom
8:30 PM - 10:30 PM	Dance	Social Activities Rio Grande Exhibit B
	Board Games	San Antonio
	Art Mania	San Marcos
	Photo Booth	Pecos
	Karaoke	Trinity
	Break Room	San Saba
10:00 PM		No Ups and Downs to Room
	All Districts	Once you go up to your room you can't come back down to the lobby

6:00pm Hotel Curfew

11:00 PM CURFEW – all delegates must be in their assigned hotel room

ADULTS TO DO ROOM CHECKS AFTER CURFEW

2023 YMCA TEXAS JUNIOR YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT SUNDAY JANUARY 29th: CASUAL ATTIRE

LOCATION: Renaissance Austin Hotel on 9721 Arboretum Blvd, Austin, TX 78759

RENAISSANCE DEPARTURE

7:30 AM – 8:00 AM	DALLAS
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	HOUSTON
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	FT WORTH

In order to reduce congestion on the elevator and stairs, please abide by the schedule below for your District.
Please be courteous and allow those that have an earlier departure time to get on first if it is not your time to be on the
***elevator or stairs. ***

- Hotel keys can be 1. Given to your adult advisor to turn in to the front desk, 2. Placed in the drop box by the check-in desk, or 3. Kept as a souvenir.
- Before you leave your room, please place trash in the trash bag that is provided. Do a final sweep of the room to make sure you have not left anything behind.
- The State Office is not responsible for any lost or stolen items. Any lost items will be left here at the hotel. It is your responsibility to contact the hotel representative in order to try to retrieve your item.

**Join us next year for our annual
2024 YMCA TEXAS JUNIOR YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT
STATE CONFERENCE
FROM
March 1st – March 3rd**

**Mark your calendars for
FUTURE YMCA TEXAS JUNIOR YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT
STATE CONFERENCE DATES**

YEAR	DATES
2025	January 31 st – February 2 nd
2026	January 30 th – February 1 st

LOCATIONS TO REMEMBER

- JYG Security – Plaza Booth A
- Help Desk – Lobby Booth
- Lunch– Legislative Conference Center E2.002

HELP DESK

Located: LOBBY BOOTH

Questions about the conference, volunteer check in, nametag reorders, visitor sign-in and general information will be answered at our Help Desk located in Arbor at the conference hotel. If you are at the State Capitol, please go to the Legislative Conference Center E2.002 (Extension Second Floor). All visitors must check in and receive a visitor name badge prior to observing any part of the conference. All issues related to lost and found, incidents, accidents, and shuttles, please go to the Y&G Security Office.

YMCA SECURITY OFFICE AND SAFETY

Located: PLAZA BOOTH A

The JYG Security Office will be responsible for lost and found, incidents and accidents, supervision of elevator use and shuttles, and the keeping of records of all incidents during the State Conference.

JYG 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). If required, discipline of delegates in cooperation with respective District Directors and training of delegates and advisors regarding hotel matters. This group will be a mix of YMCA Staff and Club Advisors. JYG Security will be wearing designated name badges.

The safety of all participants is a major concern of the YMCA. JYG Security will post key staff and volunteers in various locations at the hotel during activities. JYG Security is NOT responsible for supervision of the students. Local club leaders (YMCA and School adults) are responsible for their student's supervision.

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.
- 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 students 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.

JYG STATE CONFERENCE OFFICE

Located: GUADALUPE ROOM

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

CARE OF FACILITIES

Districts/Clubs and/or Delegates 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. Delegates of this Conference will want to continue this tradition by being especially careful while handling equipment at both the hotel and Texas State Capitol. Microphones and desk telephones are not to be used and paper 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 State 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 near the Capitol: BRACKENRIDGE HOSPITAL, 1500 East Avenue (15th & I-35) 512/476-6461.

Hospital near the Hotel: SETON NORTHWEST HOSPITAL, 11113 Research Blvd. (Hwy. 183), 512/795-1010

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. Always wear it, 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 in the State Office and then conference staff will print a new one. Your badge should be visible at all times throughout the Conference. All adults must always wear the conference badge.

VOTING

Voting for the new State Officers is required of all delegates for entry into the dance on Saturday night. In the event of a runoff for any state officer position, all delegates must vote for entry into the dance on Saturday night.

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:

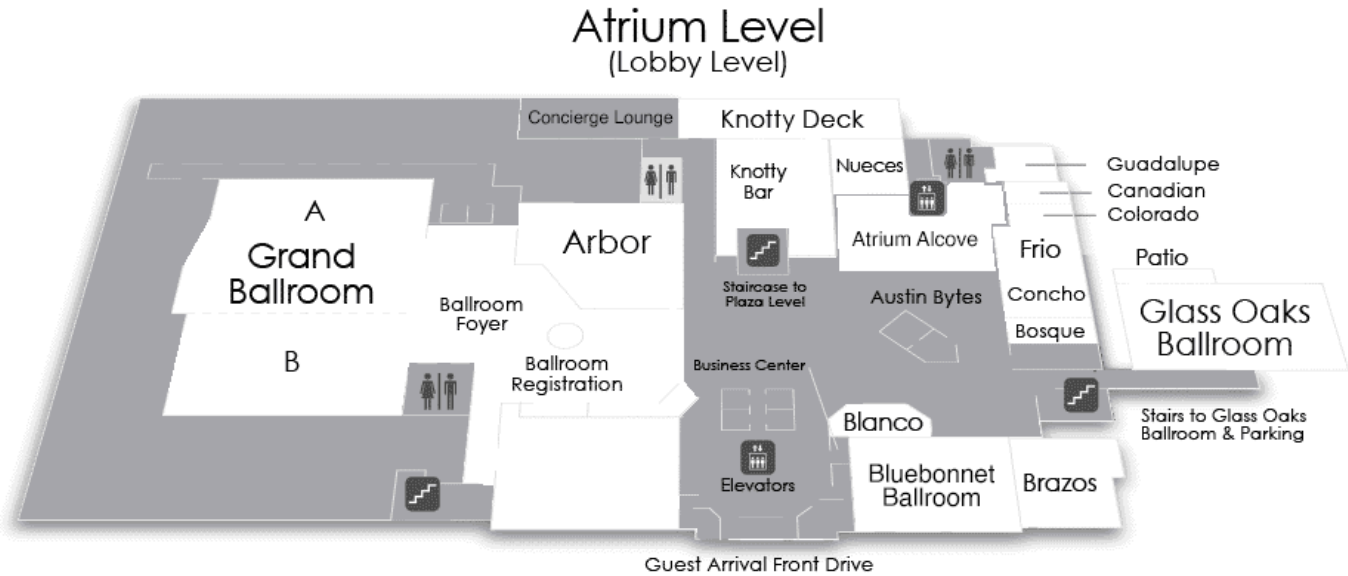
- If their behavior poses a threat to themselves or others.
- If they require an inordinate amount of attention from the staff thereby causing inadequate levels of supervision for the remainder of the participants or members.
- If their behavior is determined to be inappropriate within the scope and spirit of the YMCA values.
- For any reason within the discretion of YMCA management
- If a teen is removed from the program for any of the above reasons, parent/guardian must retrieve teen at their own expense.

DANCE GUIDELINES

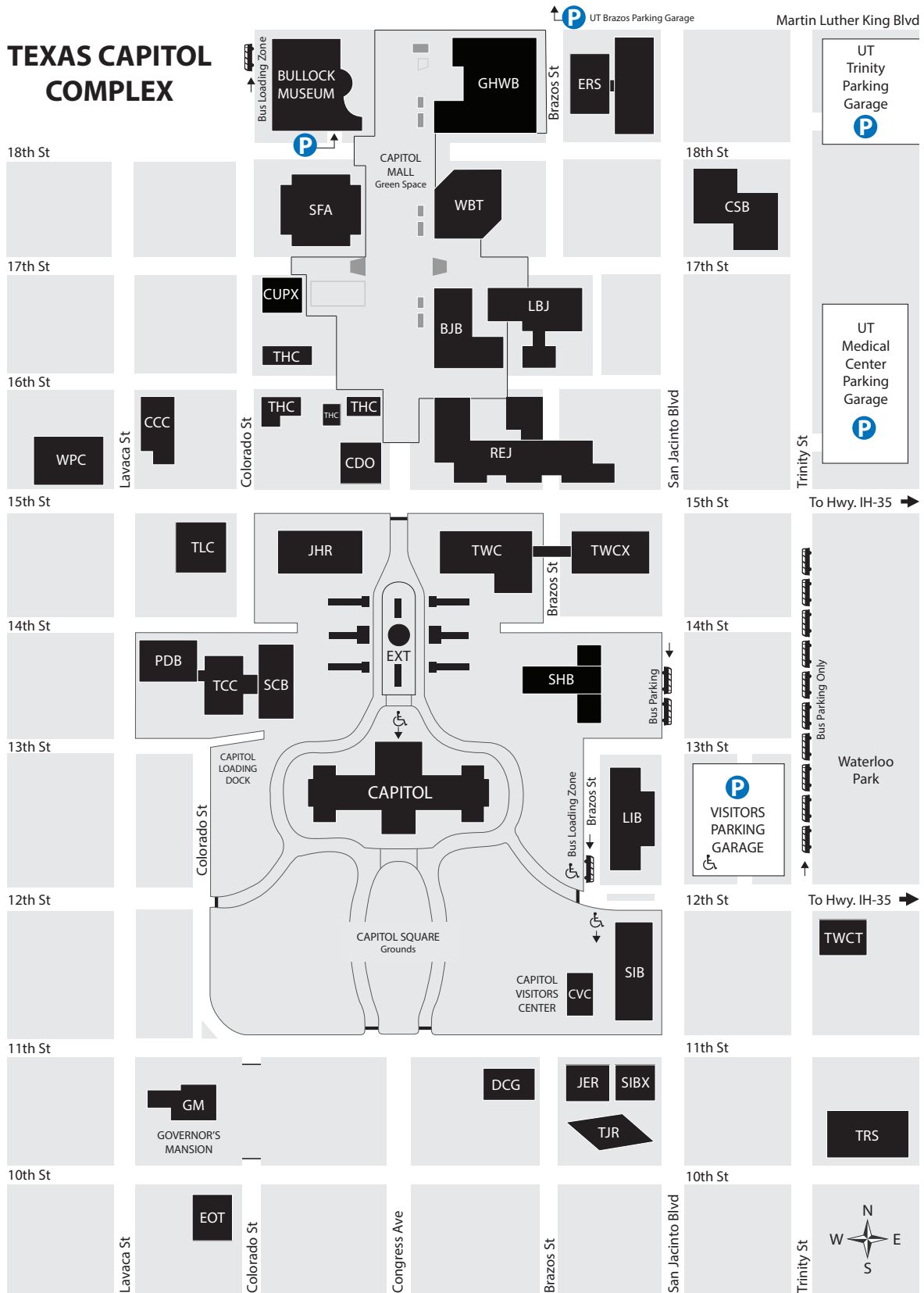
The Texas YMCA Youth and Government Program strives to keep the dances at the State Conference appropriate and enjoyable for all. Each student is required to abide by the following guidelines and should read them prior to participating in the Saturday night dance at State. These guidelines must be followed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

Students must abide by the Conference Dress Code.

- Avoid tightly packed groups and do not bounce/push into each other. Moshing is prohibited.
- Students are to refrain from all forms of "horseplay" (i.e., running around, wrestling, etc.)
- All dance moves should be done with dignity and self-respect.
- Suggestive dancing is prohibited. No Grinding, straddling, bending over or other inappropriate moves.
- 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 and 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.



TEXAS CAPITOL COMPLEX



KEY TO OFFICE BUILDINGS

BJB	Barbara Jordan Building	EOT	Ernest O. Thompson Building	SFA	Stephen F. Austin Building
TSHM	Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum	GHWB	George H.W. Bush Building	TSC	Supreme Court Building
CAPITOL	Texas Capitol	GM	Governor's Mansion	TRS	Teacher Retirement System Building
CCC	Capitol Complex Child Care Center	JER	James Earl Rudder Building	THC	Texas Historical Commission
CDO	Capitol District Office (DPS)	JHR	John H. Reagan Building	TLC	Texas Law Center
EXT	Capitol Extension Building (Underground)	LIB	Lorenzo de Zavala State Archives and Library	TWC	Texas Workforce Commission Building
MALL	Capitol Mall (Green Space)	LBJ	Lyndon B. Johnson Building	TWCX	Texas Workforce Commission Annex
CVC	Capitol Visitors Center	PDB	Price Daniel, Sr. Building	TJR	Thomas Jefferson Rusk Building
CSB	Central Services Building	REJ	Robert E. Johnson Building	TCC	Tom C. Clark Building
CUPX	Central Utility Plant	SHB	Sam Houston Building	WBT	William B. Travis Building
DCG	Dewitt C. Greer Building	SIB	State Insurance Building	WPC	William P. Clements, Jr. Building
ERS	Employee Retirement System Building	SIBX	State Insurance Building Annex		

Public Parking (Rates Vary by Location)

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- ★ Exhibits
- 👶 Baby Changing
Tables located in
2nd Floor Restrooms
- ♿ Lift

THIRD FLOOR

The floor plan illustrates the layout of the Third Floor. At the top center is the main entrance area, labeled **3N**, featuring two yellow star icons and two elevator icons (one with a male figure, one with a female figure). To the left of this entrance is the **3W House Gallery 3W.2**. To the right is the **3E Senate Gallery 3E.5**. Below the main entrance is a central circular area labeled **3S**. The floor is divided into three main wings: North (N), West (W), and East (E). The North Wing includes rooms 3N.3, 3N.4, 3N.5, and 3N.6. The West Wing includes rooms 3W.3, 3W.7, 3W.9, 3W.11, 3W.15, and 3W.17. The East Wing includes rooms 3E.2, 3E.3, 3E.4, 3E.6, 3E.8, 3E.10, 3E.12, 3E.16, and 3E.18. A callout box with an arrow pointing to the elevators in the North Wing states: "North Wing Elevators access all office floors of the Capitol and Capitol Extension." Various icons are used throughout the plan: yellow stars for key locations, blue wheelchair icons for accessibility, and male/female figures for restrooms.

Floor plan of the 4th floor of the University of Toronto Library. The plan shows a central circular area with a large '4S' label. Surrounding this are various rooms labeled 4N.1 through 4N.10 and 4S.1 through 4S.6. There are two elevators labeled 'E' with male and female symbols. Stairwells are indicated by sets of horizontal lines.

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Saturday: 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
Sunday: Noon - 3:30 pm
 Call **512.463.0063** for more information.



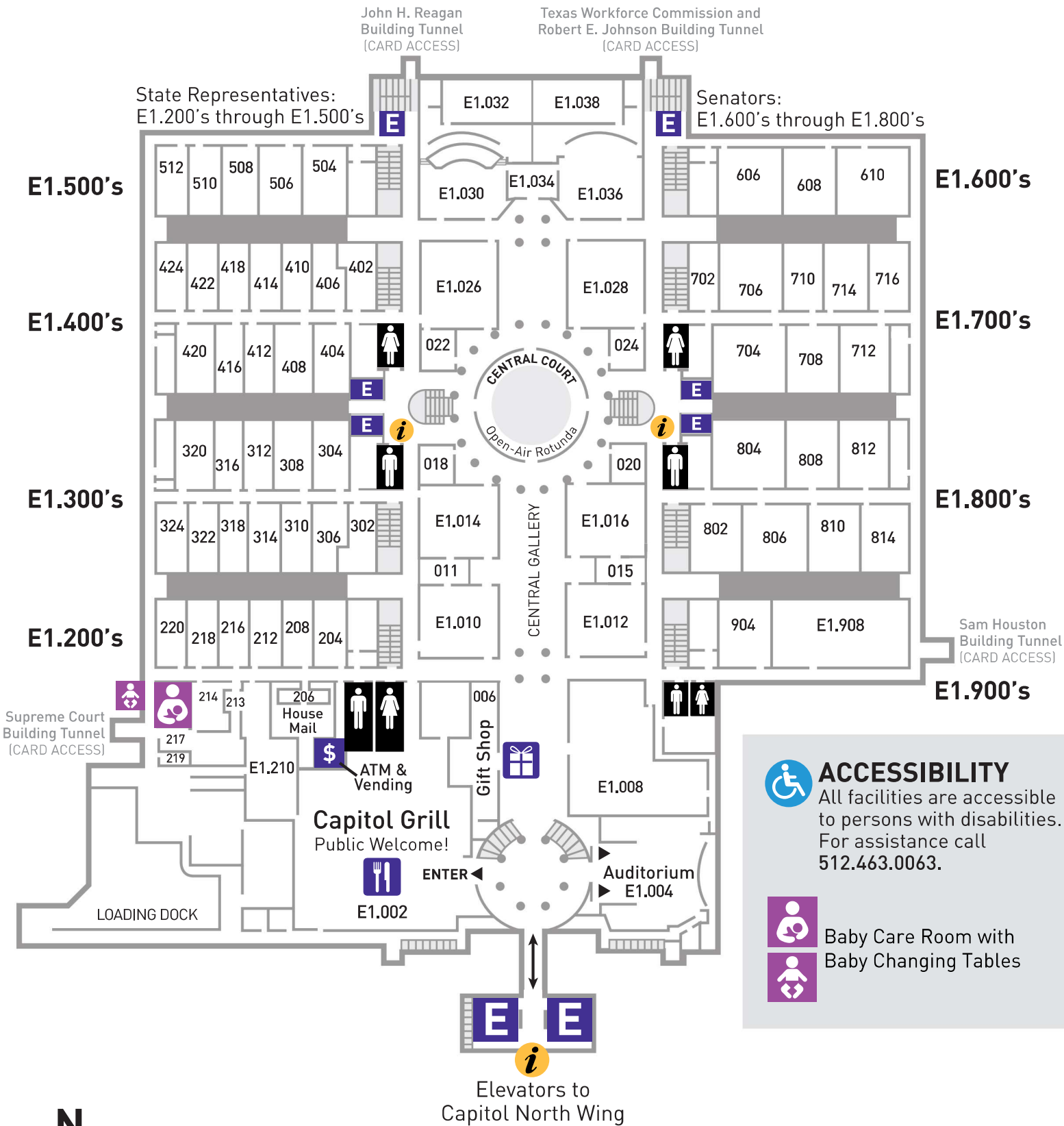
All facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. For assistance call **512.463.0063**.

Capitol Extension Access: Take the North Wing elevators to Floor E1 or E2 of the underground Capitol Extension. Please visit the Capitol Gift Shop on Floor E1 for Texas and Capitol mementos and books, as well as mints, medicines and other sundries. Also located on level E1 are a public cafeteria, an Automatic Teller Machine (ATM) and vending machines.

TEXAS CAPITOL VISITOR'S GUIDE

Floors 2, 3 & 4

EXTENSION FIRST FLOOR (E1)



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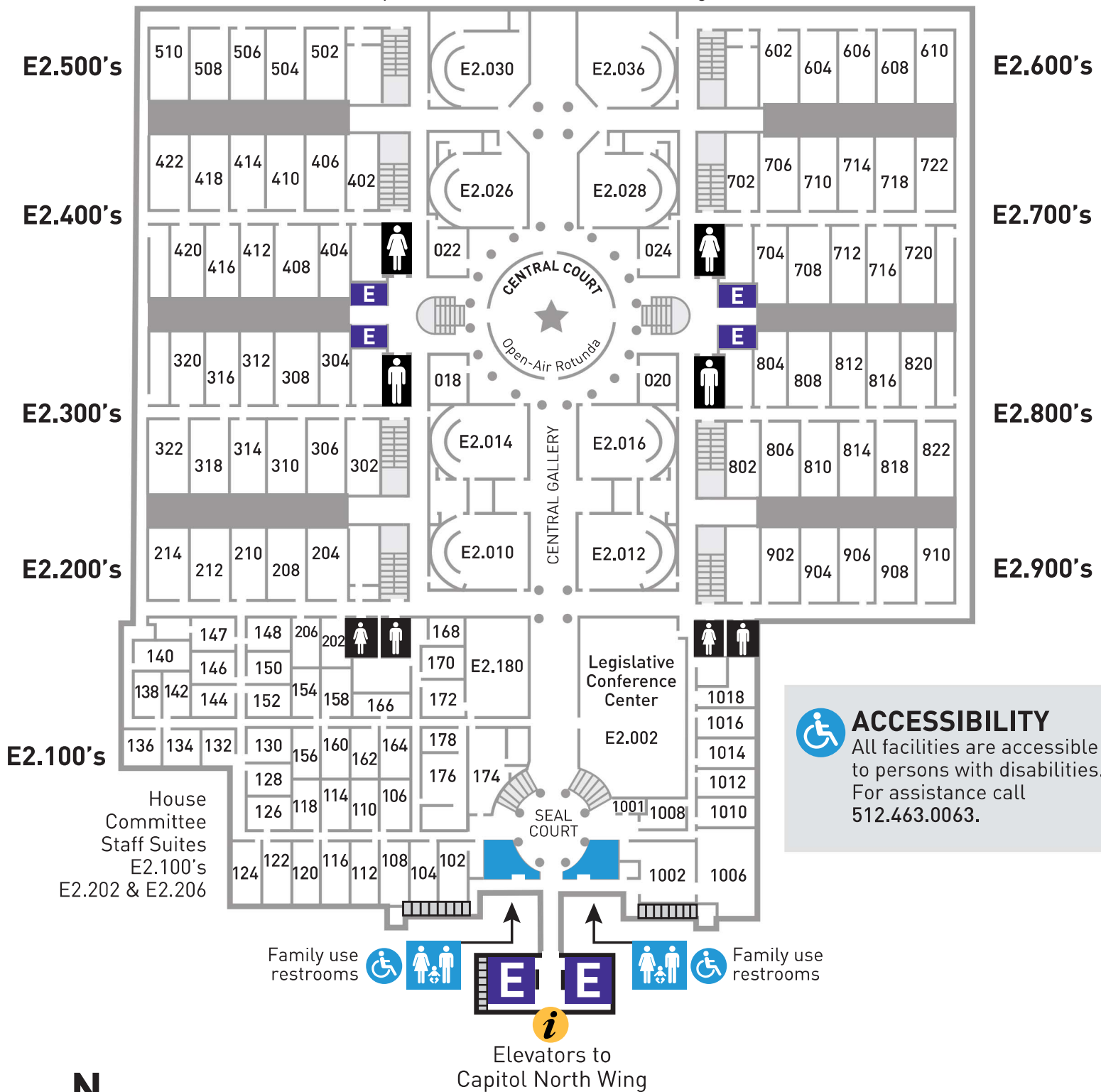


Baby Care Room with Baby Changing Tables



EXTENSION SECOND FLOOR (E2)

State Representatives Offices E2.200 through E2.900's



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