

25th Annual Texas Workforce Conference
Co-hosted with The Texas Chapter of the International Association of Workforce Professionals
25 Years of Conducting Innovation
November 30–December 2, 2022
Hilton Anatole Dallas
2201 North Stemmons Freeway
Dallas, Texas 75207

The theme for our 2022 silver anniversary conference is “25 Years of Conducting Innovation.” This theme aptly describes what Local Workforce Development Boards (Boards), in partnership with workforce, vocational rehabilitation, and educational entities, engage in to fulfill the needs of both employers and job seekers. The Texas Workforce Solutions system supports communities in developing and facilitating state-of-the-art programming, which increases the potential for success of both businesses and job seekers.

AGENDA

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

4:00–6:00 p.m.
Early Registration

Wednesday, November 30, 2022

7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Conference Registration

1:00–2:30 p.m.
Opening Ceremony and Welcome
Opening Keynote Address
The Power of Potential

2:30–2:45 p.m.
Break

2:45–4:00 p.m.
Commissioner Remarks
Super Session
Texas Talent and Economic Growth Project

4:00–4:15 p.m.
Break

4:15–5:30 p.m.

Workshops

- Evidence-Based Grantmaking: Demonstrated Effectiveness Leads to Better Outcomes for Training Programs
- The Perfect Pairing: How Local Workforce Development Boards and Community Colleges Can Create the Best Workforce for Our Future
- Paving the Pathway to Success: An Intensive Pre-Employment Training Program for Students with Disabilities
- Public and Private Partnerships: Closing the Talent Gap
- Supporting the Educational and Workforce Training Needs of Justice-Involved Individuals
- Coordinating the Community Services Block Grant Program with WIOA-Funded Programs and Local Workforce Development Boards

5:45–6:00 p.m.

Workforce Awards

6:00–7:30 p.m.

Welcome Reception and Exhibitor Displays

Thursday, December 1, 2022

7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Conference Registration

7:30–8:30 a.m.

Morning Breakfast

7:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m.

Exhibitor Hours

8:30–8:45 a.m.

Workforce Awards

8:45–10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Remarks

Super Session

Confronting Health Care Shortages with Apprenticeship Solutions

10:00–10:15 a.m.

Break

10:15–11:30 a.m.

Workshops

- Industry Sector Partnerships: Leading Conversations to Bridge Skills Gaps
- Texas Workforce Commission’s Child Care Expansion Initiative
- Winning Collaborations: Workforce Development and Economic Development Partnerships
- College in Prison and the Reentry Landscape
- The NEXTU Program: Collaboration and Career Development in Abilene
- Managing Third-Party Security Risk
- Key to Local Control—New Board Member Orientation

11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

Employer Awards Luncheon

1:15–1:30 p.m.

Break

1:30–2:45 p.m.

Commissioner Remarks

Super Session

The Amazing and Awesome World of Work and the Workforce

2:45–3:15 p.m.

Break

3:15–4:30 p.m.

Workshops

- Earn While You Learn: Why and How it Works
- Prekindergarten Partnerships Expansion
- Faster, Stronger, Better: Frito-Lay Expands the ACT Brand to Attract, Hire, and Retain Employees with Disabilities
- Dallas College: Innovatively Providing for the Talent Supply Chain
- How to Give a DAM (Define, Align, Maximize) about Board Engagement
- SEEDS Industry Forums: Helping Students Connect Industry with Career Exploration
- Open Meetings Training for Public Officials

4:45–5:00 p.m.

Workforce Awards

5:00–6:30 p.m.

Exhibitor Networking Reception

Friday, December 2, 2022

7:30–8:30 a.m.

Morning Breakfast

7:30–10:00 a.m.

Exhibitor Hours

8:30–9:45 a.m.

Workshops

- Maximize Your Workforce Training with Employer Engagement and Community Outreach Programs
- The Future of Work
- Extraordinary Intermediaries: A Case Study in Apprenticeship Readiness
- Storytelling and the Customer Voice
- Successful System Partnerships and Service Coordination Strategies

9:45–10:00 a.m.

Break

10:00–11:15 a.m.

Closing Keynote Address

Superhero Leadership

11:15–11:30 a.m.

Closing Remarks

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The Commissioners may attend events together or individually throughout the conference. Additionally, the Commissioners may participate in conference-related activities, including activities necessary to coordinate speakers, events, workshops, exhibitors, and related activities, in conjunction with the federal, state, and local workforce partners at the conference.