

Virginia Association of the Technology Student Association

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TO: Tidewater Region Technology Education Teachers

FROM: LaTasha Watson, State TSA Advisor

SUBJECT: Tidewater Regional Technology Student Association Fall Rally and
Northrop Grumman SNAME Boat Design Competition Kick off
November 1, 2008 – 8:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. and Lunch until 1:45
Jamestown High School, 3751 John Tyler Highway, Williamsburg, VA

We are pleased to announce that the Tidewater Regional TSA Rally will be held November 1, 2008 at Jamestown High School, Williamsburg, Virginia. The regional rally will provide an opportunity for students to increase their knowledge about technology, the benefits of TSA membership and strengthen their leadership abilities. Students and teachers will receive the latest information about the competitive events that will be offered at the Tidewater Regional Fair and Technosphere.

This Year, the Tidewater Regional TSA is partnering with The Northrop Grumman Corporation (NGC), the largest ship builder in the country, and the kick off of their 2008-2009 Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SNAME) Boat Design Contest. In this competition, students, in teams, design a boat out of a certain amount of 1/8" steel. The designs will be judged by Naval Architects and Marine Engineers at NGC. The top four teams will have their boats built by the students at the Apprentice School at Northrop Grumman. Those four boats will then be outfitted with propulsion systems and radio control units. In the spring, these boats will be piloted by the students for speed and maneuverability. The Team with the most total points will win. All four teams will get to keep their boats, propulsion units, and radio control units. All instruction for this competition will be by Naval Architects and Marine Engineers from NGC and delivered as videos over the web. And the best part, it doesn't cost you a thing! For more information, go to: http://www.apprenticeschool.com/sname_competition.html.

The Tidewater Regional TSA officers and Northrop Grumman SNAME Officers have planned several exciting activities. Check-in will be from 8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m. The opening general session will start promptly at 9:00 a.m. The opening general session will include information from the Tidewater Regional Officers pertaining to the regional updates, regional program of work, and guest speakers from Northrop Grumman.

After the general session, the students will participate in various workshops. Topics include Career opportunities in Ship Building, Ship Building competition (Like Technology Problem Solving), Naval Architecture Theory and Application, and the SNAME Boat Design Competition.

A tentative agenda is included in this packet. The program will end at approximately 1:45 p.m.

To register, complete the registration forms. Mail registration forms to: Mr. Tom Nuckols, Jamestown High School, 3751 John Tyler Highway Williamsburg, VA 23185, by Thursday, October 23, 2008. We look forward to seeing you there!

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c: Tom Nuckols
Lynn Basham
George R. Willcox
Enclosures



“Learning To Live In A Technical World”

Tentative Agenda

8:00 a.m.	Officers arrive
8:30 - 8:50	Registration
9:00	General Session
	Welcome
	Guest Speakers (Senior Level Management from Northrop Grumman)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Northrop Grumman Ship building organizations• Naval Architecture• Apprentice School• Apprentice School Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers Chapter• Introduce Breakout Sessions
10:00 – 12:30	Break out sessions to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Career opportunities in Ship Building• Ship Building competition• Naval Architecture Theory and Application• SNAME Boat Design Competition
12:30	Closing General Session
12:45 p.m.	Adjournment
12:50 p.m.	Concessions, Dining, Networking

General Information

Student Registration: Free

Lunch and Concessions sold on sight

Mail Registration form to: Mr. Tom Nuckols
Jamestown High School
3751 John Tyler Highway
Williamsburg, VA 23185

Registration Deadline: October 23, 2008

Questions: If you have additional questions, please contact Mr. Tom Nuckols, nuckolst@wjcc.k12.va.us or Ms. LaTasha Watson, tsa@vatsa.org.

REGIONAL RALLY REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Suggested Steps for Completing Forms:

- STEP ONE:** Announce dates, location, and purpose of Regional Rally to each class.
- STEP TWO:** Obtain appropriate field trip approval for attendance and transportation to the Regional Rally.
- STEP THREE:** Duplicate Regional Rally overview information, conduct, liability, and medical release forms for students to complete and return to their advisor.
- STEP FOUR:** Chapter advisors must keep all copies of their student's conduct, liability, and medical release forms. Do not mail these forms to Virginia TSA. The Rally Registration Form and School Forms Verification Affidavit must be carried to the rally. However, chapter advisors must mail Virginia TSA the School Forms Verification Affidavit contained in this packet.
- STEP FIVE:** Mail all forms to the Tidewater Region office by October 23, 2008.

**2008 TIDEWATER REGIONAL RALLY REGISTRATION FORM
NOVEMBER 1, 2008**

Please return this form to the Tidewater TSA Region Office

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

School Division:	Grades Offered in School:
School Name:	School Phone: () School Fax: ()
School Address:	
City:	State: Zip:
Lead Chapter Advisor:	Home Phone: ()
Advisor's Email Address:	

Mail the registration form to the Tidewater Region Office by October 23, 2008.

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3751 John Tyler Highway
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**PERSONAL LIABILITY FORM
VIRGINIA TSA
2008-2009**

No student or child attendee will be allowed to participate in Virginia TSA Regional or state activities unless the chapter advisor has an original copy of this form at all times.

REQUIRED BY: STUDENT/CHILD CONFERENCE ATTENDEES

CHAPTER ADVISOR MUST MAINTAIN A COPY OF THIS FORM AT THE SCHOOL AND BRING THE ORIGINAL COPY TO THE REGIONAL RALLY.

Name of participant: _____

School: _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ School phone: _____

"I hereby agree to release the Virginia Association of the Technology Student Association, its representatives, agents, servants, and employees for liability for any injury to above named person at any time while attending the Virginia TSA conference and activities, including travel to and from such activities, excepting only such injury or damage resulting from willful acts of such representatives, agents, servants, and employees."

"I do voluntarily authorize representatives of Virginia TSA to obtain emergency medical treatment for the above named person as deemed necessary."

"I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the representatives of the Virginia Association of the Technology Student Association and said TSA State Coordinator and/or conference management staff for any and all claims, demands, actions, rights of action, and/or judgments by or on behalf of the above named person arising from or on account of said procedures and/or treatment rendered in good faith and according to accepted medical standards."

Regional Rally – November 1, 2008

Parent/Guardian Signature Student Participant Signature Date

Regional Fair - March 7, 2009

Parent/Guardian Signature Student Participant Signature Date

State Conference – May 1-3, 2009

Parent/Guardian Signature Student Participant Signature Date

NOTE: Chapter advisors may use the same form for all 2008-2009 TSA events provided each event is properly signed and dated.

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**VIRGINIA TSA DELEGATE
CONDUCT PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES
2008-2009 AGREEMENT FORM**

1. "Delegate" shall mean any TSA member (voting/non-voting) attending the conference.
2. There shall be no defacing of public property. The individual(s) or chapter(s) responsible must pay any damages to the property or furnishings in the hotel rooms or building.
3. Delegates shall keep their advisors informed of their activities and/or whereabouts at all times.
4. Delegates should be prompt and prepared for all activities.
5. Delegates should be financially prepared for all possibilities.
6. Delegates not staying at the official conference hotels shall return to their legal residence by curfew or immediately following the last scheduled event.
7. No alcoholic beverages, narcotics or firearms, in any form, shall be possessed by delegates, alumni or other conference attendees at any time, under any circumstances.
8. No delegates shall leave the conference site unless accompanied by the Chapter Advisor(s) and/or chaperone(s).
9. Delegates and Voting Delegates are required to attend all general sessions and activities assigned, including workshops, competitive events, committee meetings, etc. for which they are registered, unless engaged in some specific assignment taking place at the same time.
10. Identification badges must be worn at all times by all persons in conference attendance.
11. Chapter Advisors will be responsible for their delegates' conduct en route to the conference, during the conference, and during delegates' return to home school.
12. Delegates violating or ignoring any of the conduct rules will subject their entire delegation to being unseated and their candidates or competitive event participants to being disqualified. Individual delegates may be sent home immediately at their own expense.
13. Curfews will be enforced (all delegates will be in assigned rooms by the announced times).
14. Casual wear will be accepted only during specific social functions, as designated.
15. The Virginia TSA Standards Review Committee reserves the right to dismiss any delegate from the conference for inappropriate actions.

I have read, I understand, and I agree to conduct myself according to the conduct practices and procedures listed above.

Student Delegate Signature

Parent Signature

The parent must initial each event for which this form applies:

Regional Rally: November 1, 2008 _____

Regional Fair: March 7, 2009 _____

Technosphere: May 1-3, 2009 _____

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**MEDICAL RELEASE FORM
VIRGINIA TSA
2008-2009**

**REQUIRED BY: STUDENT/CHILD CONFERENCE ATTENDEES
CHAPTER ADVISOR MUST MAINTAIN A COPY OF THIS FORM AT THE SCHOOL AND BRING
THE ORIGINAL COPY TO THE REGIONAL RALLY.**

Student: _____ Social Security # _____

Advisor: _____

School: _____

Medical Information (Print Clearly)

1. Known drug allergies: _____
2. Last tetanus received: _____
3. Describe any history of heart condition, diabetes, asthma, epilepsy or rheumatic fever, etc: _____

4. Medication currently being taken: _____
5. Physical restrictions (swimming, running, etc.) _____
6. Other conditions:
7. Physician: _____ Work: _____ Home: _____
8. Relative: _____ Work: _____ Home _____
9. Name of medical insurance company: _____ Policy # _____
10. I hereby give permission for emergency medical treatment of _____ (Name of Student/Child) while attending conferences and leadership activities of Virginia TSA.
11. The parent must initial each event for which this form applies:
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