

**Texas ENA First Time Delegate to General Assembly (GA)
Frequently Asked Questions**

Q. What is the difference between a full delegate and alternate delegate?

A. A full delegate will represent Texas ENA and vote on actions, by-laws and resolutions at GA. An alternate delegate is expected to complete all requirements of a full delegate but does not have voting privileges unless called by Texas ENA Delegate Selection Chair to replace a delegate either temporally or permanently. ENA allows each state to have one alternate delegate.

Q. Do I have to complete the General Assembly on-line orientation module?

A. As a first time delegate/alternate delegate you are expected to complete the GA on-line orientation module. It is an expectation that you come prepared to GA and have reviewed the GA Handbook prior to GA.

Q. Do I have to attend the Texas ENA delegate meeting the evening before GA?

A. Yes, attendance at the Texas ENA Delegate meeting is expected of all delegates/alternate delegates to receive delegate reimbursement and fulfill his or her delegate responsibilities. Please make arrangements to arrive in town prior to the start of the meeting.

Q. Do I have to attend General Assembly in its entirety?

A. Yes, each delegate is expected to attend all GA sessions to receive delegate reimbursement and fulfill his or her responsibility. Attendance will be taken at the beginning of the day, after each break and after lunch.

Q. During the Texas ENA delegate meeting, Texas ENA discusses the by-laws and resolutions they support and do not support. Do I have to vote the way Texas ENA views?

A. No, your vote does not have to follow Texas ENA recommendations on support or non-support of a resolution.

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Q. When a delegate votes, are their votes public? Can people see how I voted?

A. No. Your vote is not made public. No one (including ENA or Texas ENA) will see how you cast your vote.

Q. What is caucusing? Do I need to attend?

A. During GA, bylaws and resolutions are debated and discussed. Texas ENA may want to discuss the proposed by-laws or resolutions prior to a vote. This is known as 'caucusing'. Yes, you need to attend a caucus if called.

Q. Do I have to adhere to the Texas ENA dress attire requirement?

A. Yes. All Texas ENA delegates are expected to dress professionally. Attire includes either wearing the red or blue Texas ENA delegate shirt on the assigned days, along with blank pants or skirt. No leggings are permitted.

Q. What is I still have questions?

A. Each first time delegate will be assigned an experience Texas ENA delegate 'mentor' to assist you through the process. This ensures your experience, as a new delegate is successful. The Delegate Selection Committee Chair is also available as a response.

Q. What is a Texas ENA Alternate Delegate?

A. In addition to the recognized ENA alternate delegate, Texas ENA selects three (3) additional delegates to replace a delegate in the event a full delegate cannot fulfill their duties. They are not recognized by ENA but a funded by Texas ENA and are expected to arrive to GA prior to the start of GA. It is highly recommended that Texas ENA alternate delegates attend GA as a 'Guest'.