

What You Need to Know:

The Texas Hotel & Lodging Association (THLA) offers a three-day, two-night Hotel Summer Camp designed for high school students interested in exploring careers in lodging and resort management. The camp is hosted at a Texas hotel property and provides students with hands-on learning experiences, industry exposure, and professional development opportunities.

Registration Fees

- **Student Registration:** \$450 per student
- **Teacher/Chaperone Registration:** \$550 per teacher

Please note that refunds will not be available after the registration deadline.

Registration Fee Includes

The camp registration fee includes the following:

- Two nights of hotel accommodations:
 - Double-occupancy rooms for students
 - Single-occupancy rooms for adult school district staff chaperones
Please note that an additional fee will apply for students requesting single-occupancy accommodations.
- Meals during the camp:
 - **Day One:** Lunch and dinner
 - **Day Two:** Breakfast, lunch, and dinner
 - **Day Three:** Breakfast and lunch
- Bus transportation for scheduled hotel property and college campus tours
- All program materials and activity fees

Participant Expectations

Students who register for the camp are expected to participate in the entire experience in order to receive the maximum benefit from the program. Participants will not be permitted to leave the host hotel property unless participating in an authorized camp tour or activity.

By registering for the THLA Hotel Summer Camp, participants acknowledge that their likeness may be used in THLA photographs, videos, and online promotional materials. Participants also release THLA from liability related to such use.

Registration Information

Hotel Summer Camp registration forms may be accessed on the THLA website at:

<https://texaslodging.com/hotel-summer-camps/>

Completed registration forms for each student and school district chaperone should be submitted to:

Debbie Wieland

THLA Education Outreach & Foundation Director

Email: dwieland@texaslodging.com

Registration forms are due no later than the stated deadline date, which is typically in late April.

Registration fees, payable to the Texas Hotel & Lodging Association, must also be received by the deadline date to secure participation. Payments should be mailed to:

Debbie Wieland

Texas Hotel & Lodging Association

1701 West Avenue

Austin, TX 78701

For credit card payment processing, please contact Debbie Wieland at 512-474-2996.

For questions regarding the camp agenda or payment process, please contact Debbie Wieland at 512-474-2996 or dwieland@texaslodging.com.

What to Pack

Students are expected to dress in business casual attire throughout camp activities.

Appropriate business casual attire may include:

- Khaki pants or skirts
- Jeans without holes or fraying
- Collared shirts or professional blouses

Hotel conference rooms are often cool, so students are encouraged to bring a light sweater or jacket. Several activities include walking tours; therefore, comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

Suggested Items to Pack

- Two additional business casual outfits (in addition to the outfit worn on Day One)
- Swimsuit, cover-up, and pool shoes
- Comfortable walking shoes (flip-flops are not recommended for tours)
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Pajamas or sleepwear
- Two conservative casual outfits for optional evening free time
- Medical insurance card or a copy of both sides of the card
- Spending money for incidental purchases such as snacks or soft drinks

Items Provided in the Hotel Room

- Toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, and soap)
- Hair dryer

Arrival and Parking

Ample parking is available for standard passenger vehicles in the hotel parking garages. If you plan to arrive in a school bus or require bus parking accommodations, please notify Debbie Wieland prior to the camp.

Upon arrival, participants should report to the hotel lobby for directions to the THLA Hotel Summer Camp check-in table, where camp materials and name badges will be distributed.

A secure luggage storage area will be available until the official hotel room check-in time.

The camp will begin promptly at **10:00 a.m.** Participants should plan to arrive by **9:30 a.m.** to allow adequate time for parking and check-in.

Please note that breakfast is not provided on the first day of camp.

