



Hosted at Sealy High School, 2372 Championship Drive, Sealy TX 77474

Attendance: Limited to only 400 Interactors!

Registration will be accepted in the order that Registration Forms are received.

Teacher/Faculty Advisers: Please register those Interactors that you know have been ACTIVE and INVOLVED in your Interact club this school year.

This is an annual district-wide event in which Interactors, Rotarians, and Teacher Advisers from all over District 5890 gather together to celebrate a great "Service Above Self" year of helping others. Interact clubs are invited on stage to show their video showcasing their service projects, fundraisers, and social events. You'll even have chances to win great door prizes!

- **Rather than students driving their own vehicles to the conference, we request that they be driven by chaperones or dropped off/picked up by parents. Please follow your own school district's policy in regards to student transportation.**
- **If your club plans to attend the conference, we must receive your club's Registration Form.**
- **WHO'S INVITED?** This year's conference is for your Interactors that you know have been **ACTIVE** and **INVOLVED** in their Interact club this school year. Criteria for Teacher/Faculty Advisers to select Interactors:
 1. The Interactor has outstanding attendance at this school year's Interact club meetings.
 2. The Interactor has regularly attended this school year's Interact service projects AND fundraisers.
 3. The Interactor has paid their District Dues of \$3, and your club has paid those dues to Interact District 5890.
 4. The Interactor has paid their own Interact club's dues (if any).
 5. The Interactor is a member of "good standing".
- **REGISTRATION:**
 1. **Cost:** \$20 Registration fee includes a district conference T-shirt, breakfast, lunch & dinner on Saturday, plus snacks & activities throughout the conference. (Chaperones attend for free, but they must register.)
 2. **Before adding an Interactor to the Registration Form, they should pay their \$20 to the Interact Teacher/Faculty Adviser.**
 Once you have submitted your club's registration form, we must receive payment for the number of students listed. Example: Your Registration Form has 7 attending, 3 are unable to go, so only 4 attend. Payment for all 7 is required. This is due to the fact that we will have already ordered t-shirts and food, and we can't receive a refund. If an Interactor can't attend, another Interactor can be substituted. If they need a different t-shirt size, we can't guarantee.
 3. **Payment:** Checks from schools/Rotary clubs: Payable to "DISTRICT 5890 ROTARY INTERACT CLUB"
 Checks accepted at the event, or mailed to: Tommie Buscemi, 4722 Autumn Alcove Court, Kingwood, TX 77345.
 Do not mail cash.
 4. **Parental Consent Form** – The form with original signatures is due upon arrival at the conference. (Do not email since I can't print forms for all 375 Interactors.) As with any fieldtrip, attendees should also sign their school's standard liability waiver form, if required by your school district.
 5. **Chaperones - To attend conference, every Interact club (even if only 1 or 2 Interactors attend) must have a chaperone.**
 - A. Chaperones attend for free.
 - B. Who can be a chaperone? Teachers/Staff, Parents, or Rotarians.
 - C. For every ten (15) students, there must be one (1) chaperone for your Interact club.
 - D. *The same chaperone(s) do not need to stay the entire conference. Chaperones can rotate or work in shifts.*
 - E. Chaperones are needed in case of an emergency, to monitor entrance/exit doors, and to help us take random roll calls to make sure all their Interactors are still present.
 - F. Each Interact club must have a chaperone volunteer to work a 2 hour shift.
 6. **Late Arrival/Early Departure** -
 - A. Their parent(s) must submit written consent/notice to the Interact club's Faculty Adviser in advance of the conference.
 - B. The Faculty Adviser then emails Tommie Buscemi with student's name, and time of late arrival or early departure.
 - C. Upon arrival, your club's chaperone must submit the parent's written consent to us at the Registration Desk.
 - D. To leave the conference, the student and their Teacher Adviser/Chaperone must come to the Registration Desk so parents can be notified that the student is leaving. If we cannot reach the parent via phone, the student can't leave.
 7. **Pick Up:** will be from 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. the conference will begin at 9 a.m. and will end Saturday evening at 10:30 PM.
 Students must be picked up by 11 P.M. Note: We ask that Interactors not drive their vehicles to and from the conference.
 8. Please note on the Registration Form if you are a vegetarian/vegan or have any other special dietary requirements or allergies.

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- **DO NOT BRING** *valuables, cash, credit cards, or expensive electronics.* Sealy ISD, Rotary District 5890, or the District 5890 Interact Committee will not be responsible for lost, stolen or missing items.
- **Social Activities Saturday evening:** We'll have a DJ for dancing, Monte Carlo tables where Interactors can win tickets for door prizes, plus we'll have the gym for basketball, movies in the auditorium, a photo booth, etc.
- **Door Prizes needed!** **Ask your sponsoring Rotary club to donate/help obtain these items.** Each Interact club is encouraged to bring \$25 - \$50 of door prizes. We'll be giving these away during the conference and the more we have, the more we'll give away. Suggestions: gift cards, electronics, DVD's, gift baskets, tickets to sports events or concerts, etc. Please bring your prizes to the Registration desk upon arrival labeled with the name of your Interact Club.
- **Interact Club Video Presentations (3-minute maximum)-** *It's your club's time to showcase everything you've done this year.* Please bring your club's PowerPoint or video presentation (3-minute maximum, please!) of your projects on a USB drive for our D5890 Interact Club Project Presentation on Saturday afternoon. NOTE: Presentations are limited to 3 minutes...No exceptions! When you arrive, let the Registration Desk know so we can download your video. Your club has been busy all year, and we want to see what you have been doing. In addition, bring photo albums and project boards to display on the project exhibit tables.
- **AWARDS...Every Interact club in District 5890 is invited to attend, however, to be eligible to win any of the following awards, your club must:** 1) Paid the \$3 per member Interact District Dues; 2) Be an officially chartered Interact club with Rotary International. The award ceremony will be the evening of March 5th. If you have any questions about your status, please contact Tommie Buscemi at (281) 359-7193 or Tommie5890@suddenlink.net. The \$3 per member Interact District dues, payable to "District 5890 Rotary Interact Club" by check, money order, or cashier's check, can be mailed to: Tommie Buscemi, 4722 Autumn Alcove Court, Kingwood, TX 77345.
 1. **Nominate your Interact Teacher Advisor and Rotary Adviser for Awards:** Nominate them for "Interact Teacher of the Year" and "Rotary Adviser of the Year" awards so they can receive the acknowledgement they deserve! February 25th is the deadline to submit nominations. Forms won't be accepted at the conference.
 2. **Project of the Year Awards:** Please complete the Interact Project Data Form to nominate your project(s) and submit them with your registration forms. February 25th is the deadline to submit nominations. Forms won't be accepted at the conference. Nominations can be made for more than one project in each category. Categories: Community Service Project, School Service Project, and International Service Project. Provide a description of the project, and photos.
 3. **Bring your INTERACT CLUB BANNER, and wear your Interact club T-shirt.** *An award will be given to the Interact club with...The Best Interact Club T-Shirt Design!*
- **Would your school like to host the Interact Roundup during September/October 2016 or the 2017 Interact District Conference?** If so, let us know. Please have your Interact Teacher Advisor contact your school principal to confirm their approval prior to nominating your school.
- **Would you like to be an Interact District Officer for the 2016-2017 school year?** For an Interactor to be eligible for a district-level office, their Interact Faculty/Teacher Adviser must nominate and submit the Interactor's name and the position they would like to hold to Tommie Buscemi by February 25th. The Interactor needs to have served as an officer, director, and/or in a leadership position in their own club and can be a sophomore, junior or senior. There will be nominations and elections for District Governor, District Lieutenant Governor, and District Secretary. So, get your speech ready for the nominating session on Saturday, March 5th. If you have questions about the duties, please contact Tommie Buscemi.
- **Please share the following phone numbers of our Interact Committee with parent(s) and/or guardian(s):**

For any questions or inquiries, please contact:

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