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Dear TSA Advisors and Technology, Engineering and Design Teachers,

Attached is the tentative schedule for the Western Region NC TSA Conference, to be held on the campus of Appalachian State University on Friday, February 26, 2016.

All TSA chapters in the Southwestern, Western, and Northwestern regions of the state are encouraged to attend. Schools from these regions that are interested in starting a TSA chapter are also encouraged to participate as well.

I am also attaching the event information, A TENTATIVE SCHEDULE, <u>registration link</u> and the medical/photo release form. Please make sure that you turn in the medical/photo release form when you check-in at registration. This year we are asking that each school provide at least one coordinator or one judge for this event.

Please note that some of the events will operate **differently** than described in the TSA Competitive Events Guides. Due to time constraints, some events that normally involve on-site construction of projects will deviate from the event guidelines.

As many of you know, weather in Boone is naturally unpredictable. If the university is closed or if the roads are deemed unsafe by the event coordinator, the event may be delayed or canceled. If the conference is canceled, then schools will receive a maximum of a 50% refund. Refunds will not be given to schools that decide not to attend due to weather or any other unforeseen events. *There will be no on-site registration*.

We can only *guarantee* spaces in events to those schools/students that have **pre-registered by February 5**<sup>th</sup>. Payment should be postmarked no later than **February 15**<sup>th</sup>. Failure to submit payment prior to the conference will result in elimination from the event.

For additional information about the events, contact the event coordinator, Jerianne Taylor (taylorjs@appstate.edu ), via phone or email.

We look forward to seeing you on February 26th.

Sincerely,

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