TEXAS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

DISTRICT 4

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

MCALLEN PUBLIC LIBRARY | 4001 N 23RD ST | MCALLEN, TX 78504

8:30 AM

REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST

Join us for a light breakfast of coffee, baked goods, and fruit.

9:00 AM

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

A short welcome and overview of the day by District 4 Chair, Erica Esqueda. Celebrating the Impact of Libraries Across our Region with SLJ Librarian of the Year, Allie Cornejo.

9:15 AM

TLA UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Presented by Texas Library Association Staff

- Legislative and Advocacy Updates
- Upcoming TLA Events and Initiatives
- Membership Opportunities and Resources

10:00 AM

RECOGNITION OF DISTRICT 4 TALL TEXANS

A moment recognize the incredible accomplishment of the EIGHT members from District 4 who were accepted into the TALL TEXAN Class of 2026.

10:15 AM

BREAKOUT SESSION ONE

Room 1: NLM- No Library Money Required — Free, First-Rate Health Resources from NIH/NLM for the Public
Room 2: *On the Air: Creating a Library Radio Show to Engage, Educate, and Inspire*

10:45 AM

GROUP PHOTO

Join us for a quick group photo to celebrate our District 4 library community! By the waterfall or the children's area mural.

11:00 AM

BREAKOUT SESSION TWO

Room 1: Creative Library Programs: Monthly Events to Engage Students
Room 2: From Books to Basics: How to Create a Hygiene Closet in Your Library

12:00 PM

BREAKOUT SESSION THREE

Room 1: Library & Chill: Cozy, Creative, and Calming Programs for Teen
Room 2: Archiving Academic Governance: A Collaborative Model for Preserving Institutional History

12: 45 PM

LUNCH

Enjoy lunch from Jason's Deli! Choose from lemonade, tea, or water while you sit back, network, and socialize with fellow attendees.

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MAKERSPACES

Participants may rotate through hands-on stations:

Room 1

Station 1: Resin Creations
- Keychains, charms, and small decorative items

Station 2: Custom Bookmarks
- Laminated and decorated bookmark designs

Station 3: Button & Pin Makers
- Create library-themed buttons and pins

Station 4: Sublimation
- Make your own bookmark, coaster, or keychain.

Room 2

Station 4: Color and Calm Corner
- A quiet makerspace spot to pause, reset, and color.

Station 5: Giant Games Zone
- Hands-on games that encourage strategic thinking, teamwork, and a fun mental reset

3:00 PM

D4 MEMBERS PRESENTING AT TLA

Highlighting our District 4 members presenting sessions and panel discussions at the TLA Annual Conference, along with sharing their session titles and descriptions.

3:15 PM

CLOSING SESSION & RAFFLE DRAWINGS

Celebrate the end of a great day with final takeaways, acknowledgement of our speakers, and our raffle drawing.

3:30 PM

TOUR THE LIBRARY

Get an inside look at the library that transformed an abandoned 124,500-square-foot Walmart into the largest single-story public library in the United States.

"WHEN WE COME TOGETHER, OUR SHARED KNOWLEDGE CREATES A LIMITLESS IMPACT THAT MOVES OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY FORWARD."