

TLA 2024 Elections

Beginning this year, the TLA Elections will have a new timeline. As in past years, everyone who renews their TLA membership by January 31 is eligible to vote. The main change members will notice is the timing: those who renewed their TLA membership for 2024 by January 1 will receive their ballot on January 16; those who renew January 2-31 will receive their ballot on February 5. We know this is an adjustment and are grateful for your patience as we implement this new schedule.

FAQs:

Why is the election timeline moved up?

The TLA Executive Board adjusted the election timeframe after careful consideration of practices that will set up candidates for success in beginning their new roles – essentially, this gives newly elected board members more time to work into their new positions before they take office at the TLA Annual Conference. The additional time will help them make the necessary arrangements to their personal schedules, receive funding approval and support from employers, take part in training and onboarding education, etc. before they take office at TLA 2024.

My colleague received their ballot, but I have not received mine, why not?

If you have not received your ballot, but joined/renewed your membership by January 1, please contact Joanna Franco at <u>joannaf@txla.org</u> or our general contact email, <u>tla@txla.org</u>.

If you joined or renewed between January 2 – January 31 you will receive your ballot February 5.

I renewed my membership in January, why haven't I received a ballot?

Individuals who joined or renewed their membership by January 1 are in the first group of voters and received their unique ballot link via email on **January 16**. Individuals who join or renew between January 2 and January 31 will be in the second group of voters and will receive their unique ballot link via email on **February 5**.

If I am in the second group of voters, how long do I have to cast my ballot? 10 days

Are all voters receiving the same ballot?

All voters will receive a unique link to a ballot that is customized for them based on their membership. All ballots include the TLA executive board offices; and any units which the voter is a member of with contested offices that elected to participate in the online election. Of course, all votes are counted equally, no matter when they are cast.