



"Level Up!"
2025 - 2026 Theme

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Date: 11-1-25
To: Active Level Members

Nominations for 2026-2027 TAPT Executive Committee and Area Directors

Do you know of someone who actively **supports** and **promotes** TAPT and wishes to give back by serving on the TAPT Executive Committee? Those seeking a position on the TAPT Executive Committee should be current Active or Business Associate level members (see below) in good standing and with positive and self-less intent; have only the best interests of the association, its members, and the educational and charitable goals of the organization; and should familiarize themselves with the history of TAPT and its bylaws. Candidates should carefully consider their decision and review the TAPT Bylaws for qualifications, duties of that position, and other guidelines.

The following Officer and Area Director positions are open for nominations:

- **President-Elect (must have served one year on the EC)**
- **Secretary (must have served one year on the EC)**
- **Treasurer (2-year term)**
- **Area 1 Director (2-year term)**
- **Area 3 Director (2-year term)**
- **Business Associate Director (2-year term) (Must be resident of Texas)**

If you are an Active or Business Associate level member in good standing and interested in serving in one of these volunteer positions in support of TAPT, please apply online at <https://www.tapt.com/2026-tapt-election.html> and submit all documents no later than Tuesday, January 6, 2026, 11:59 PM.

Incomplete or late submissions (dated and time stamped) after that date and time will not be accepted.

- Attach a "Letter of Intent to Run and Serve" stating the reasons why.
- Attach a brief biography.
- Attach a photo (head and shoulder shot)
- Provide contact information for your immediate supervisor's Letter of Support
- Review the Job Description for the position you are seeking.
- Attach the Acknowledgement form.

Nominees with all documents submitted by deadline date and time will be considered for approval at the January Executive Committee Meeting. Please be sure to review the bylaws online for compliance with campaigning, and the dates for early online voting and online voting during the June trade show. For any questions, please email Nominations@tapt.com.

Thank you for your consideration,
Angel Kersten
Nominations Chairperson

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