

**Location: Westin Peachtree Plaza Hotel (competition venue)**

**Atlanta Marriott Marquis (sleeping rooms)**

**Dates: June 22<sup>nd</sup> (arrival) – June 25<sup>th</sup> (departure)**

**Q. What if some of the team members cannot attend?**

A. You may bring substitutes for team members who cannot attend.

**Q. Our original team had eight members but only five can attend. Can we still compete?**

A. The team needs to have between 4 and 8 members, but it does not need to be the same number that competed originally.

**Q. How much does it cost?**

A. Each person (students and adults) attending must pay the \$100 registration fee for the conference and is responsible for all expenses including transportation, housing, and meals.

**Q. When should we arrive and depart?**

A. Teams should arrive on June 22<sup>nd</sup> to pick up registration packets and attend the information meeting. There is a mandatory team captain meeting at 7:00 PM.

The awards for each of the three TEAMS competitions (prepared presentation, problem solving and digital media) and for Best in Nation will be made on Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, in the evening. This will include 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophies for each competition and at each level (middle school, 9/10 and 11/12); as well as finalist recognition for the top ten in each competition.

**Q. Where should we stay?**

A block of rooms at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis (\$189 per night plus applicable taxes and fees) has been reserved for those attending the conference who are competing in the TEAMS competition. TEAMS attendees are required to stay for the following three nights – June 22, 23 and 24. TEAMS attendees must use the [TEAMS Hotel Link](#) when registering (this is the preferred method), or call (404) 521-0000 and identify your reservation as TEAMS. Using the link or identifying your reservation as “TEAMS” allows you to book for only three nights. Complimentary shuttle bus service will be provided.

A \$200.00 per person fee will be assessed by TSA, Inc. from any TEAMS conference attendee who does not stay at a national TSA conference property on 6/22, 6/23, and 6/24. This policy is not implemented once the hotel sleeping room block has been sold out and has been authorized by National TSA. Those living within a twenty-five mile radius of Atlanta, Georgia are exempt from this policy.

**Q. What other activities can we take part in during the conference?**

A. In addition to the national TEAMS competitions, TEAMS competitors may participate in many of the social activities occurring at the conference, such as the leadership speakers and the TSA Meet and Greet. TEAMS competitors who are not TSA members may not compete in the TSA competitions.

**Q. Can students attend without an adult?**

A. No – all students (including those who are 18 and who may have graduated) must have an adult (also registered for the conference) with them. TSA requires at least one adult for every ten students.