

## LEAP COMPETITION ENGAGEMENT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q: Why is TSA incorporating a leadership resume and interview into every competition?**

For students to demonstrate the leadership skills they have developed while working on TSA competitions. This provides all TSA student members the opportunity to recognize and hone their leadership abilities in addition to STEM skills.

**Q: For events that already include a semifinalist round with an interview, can the LEAP evaluation be incorporated into the interview, or is it conducted separately?**

The LEAP interview, now a required component of every event, can be incorporated into events with an existing interview semifinalist round. For all other events, the LEAP Interview will be conducted in a separate LEAP semifinalist round and will last a maximum of five (5) minutes.

**Q: Does the LEAP interview component have to be 5 minutes?**

A: The LEAP portion of semifinalist interviews can be up to, and should not exceed, 5 minutes.

**Q: What is the intent/purpose of the LEAP resume?**

The LEAP resume is simply the vehicle for students to share the leadership skills that they have developed while working on TSA competitions.

**Q: Where can I find information on managing the Competition Engagement component of LEAP?**

The Competition Engagement component of LEAP is integrated into ALL high school level TSA competitive events effective August 2016. The *2017 & 2018 High School Technology Activities, National TSA Conference Competitive Events Guide* is included in TOTAL TSA and is accessible once chapters affiliate. Click [here](#) for all other LEAP resources.

**Q: What are the LEAP Competition Engagement requirements for the 2017 national TSA conference?**

The Competition Engagement component of LEAP is required for ALL high school level TSA competitive events effective August 2016, per the *2017 & 2018 High School Technology Activities, National TSA Conference Competitive Events Guide*. Students competing at the national TSA conference will be required to submit LEAP resumes and participate in the LEAP interview portion of every competition. Please see the [LEAP LEADERSHIP RESUME/INTERVIEW GUIDELINES](#) for more information.

**Q. Will the LEAP program at the MS level be the same as the program at the HS level?**

Yes. LEAP Competition Engagement will be incorporated into the *2018 & 2019 Middle School Technology Activities, National TSA Conference Competitive Events Guide* which will be published during summer, 2017.

**Q. Who can be contacted for more information?**

Please email TSA at [general@tsaweb.org](mailto:general@tsaweb.org) or call 1-888-860-9010 for more information.