

TESA AREA WORKSHOP

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Morning Sessions 8:30 – 10:00 AM

101 **College Readiness**

Jacob Nunez, Garland ISD

College readiness involves preparing students with the skills, habits, and confidences needed for success after high school. Paraprofessionals support this by reinforcing academic skills, organizations, and positive learning behaviors. Through encouragement and daily guidance, Paraprofessionals help students build independence and confidence for college-level expectations.

102 **Pwned No More: Defending Digital Identity**

Patrick Nolan, Computer Science Teacher, Richardson ISD

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103 **Google 101**

Laura Thomas, Librarian, Garland ISD

We will cover Drive organization, Calendars, Forms, Sheets, and some “advanced” features of docs and Slides that might make them more applicable.

Morning Session - 3 hr. Session – 8:30 – 11:30 AM **(TPEP credit will be awarded)**

104 **Love and Logic**

Kelly Smith, Mesquite ISD

Love and Logic is a program that was created in 1977 by Jim Fay and Foster Cline. This program is research based. Love and Logic is all about positive relationship building. This program may be used at home, school, the community, and the workplace. Love and Logic has three simple rules to build positive relationships while helping others become great problem solvers. Love and Logic can be used with children as young as 2 and continue to be used throughout adulthood. This program has many positive side effects and helps everyone.

Morning Sessions 10:15 – 11:45 AM

201 **AI – What it can do to help you**

Ella Khan, Garland ISD Interpreter & Translator / Shamresh Khan, AI Specialist

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202 **Creating with Canva** **Bring your laptop or iPad for this session.**

Stacy Jones, Richardson ISD

Would you like to be able to create logos, flyers and presentations that look professionally done? You can do all this and much more in Canva! We'll start with the basics and have you creating like a pro when we're done.

203 **Legal Encounters for Paraprofessionals**

Elizabeth Medina – Garland ISD Legal Council

A Texas-focused overview of legal issues commonly encountered in public schools, including FERPA, Texas Public Information Act records request, subpoenas, custody and protective orders, and the best practices for escalation and compliance.

Afternoon Sessions 12:45 – 2:15 PM

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302 **403b Investments Made Easy**

Chanika Turner, Garland ISD

You create the Life you want

303 **Service with a Smile**

Laura Moore – Richardson ISD

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TPEP Session 1:00 – 4:00 PM

- S1 **TPEP – Time Management - 3 hr. session**
Juliana Holmes Garland ISD, Retired; TPEP Consultant
Covers time-saving techniques and a guide to better utilization of time.