



Form #1: 2018 Interact 5890 District Conference

Saturday, March 24, 2018 • 9 AM - 10:30 PM

Arrival 9:00 - 9:45 PM • Starts at 10 AM • Ends at 10:30 PM

Where: Sealy High School, 2372 Championship Dr., Sealy TX 77474



Attendance is limited to only 400 Interactors on a first-come, first served basis!

Registration Due: - March 5th - Registration will be accepted in the order that Registration Forms are received.

Faculty Advisers: Based upon service hours and attendance, only register those Interactors that you know have been

BOTH ACTIVE and INVOLVED in your Interact club this school year. Consider this the "Honor Roll" of Interact!

\$20 Registration includes: *Donuts/Fruit for Breakfast, Beverages & Snacks, Lunch, Pizza Dinner, Conference T-Shirt, DJ, Monte Carlo Tables, Project Awards, Photo Booth, Basketball, Movies in Auditorium, Project Presentations & More!*

This is an annual district-wide event in which Interactors, Rotarians, and Teacher Advisers from all over District 5890 gather together to celebrate a great "Service Above Self" year of helping others. Interact clubs are invited on stage to show their video showcasing their service projects, fundraisers, and social events. You'll even have chances to win great door prizes!

- ***Rather than students driving their own vehicles to the conference, we request that they be driven by chaperones or dropped off/picked up by parents. Please follow your own school district's policy in regards to student transportation.***
- ***If your club plans to attend the conference, the Interact Faculty Adviser must submit your club's Registration Form.***

WHO CAN ATTEND? This year's conference is for your Interactors that the Interact Teacher/Faculty Advisers knows has been **BOTH ACTIVE and INVOLVED** in their Interact club this school year. Criteria for Teacher/Faculty Advisers to select Interactors:

- ✓ The Interactor has outstanding attendance at this school year's Interact club meetings.
- ✓ The Interactor has outstanding attendance at this school year's Interact service projects, fundraisers, and social events.
- ✓ The Interactor has paid their District Dues of \$3, and your Interact club has paid those dues to Interact District 5890.
- ✓ The Interactor has paid their own Interact club's dues (if any) and is considered a member of "good standing" in their club.

▪ **REGISTRATION:**

1. **Cost:** \$20 Registration fee/Interact includes a district conference T-shirt, breakfast, lunch & dinner on Saturday, plus snacks & activities throughout the conference. (Chaperones attend for free, but they must register.)
2. **Before adding an Interactor to the Registration Form, they should pay their \$20 to the Interact Teacher/Faculty Adviser.**

Once you have submitted your club's registration form, we must receive payment for the number of students listed. This is due to the fact that we will have already ordered t-shirts and food, and we can't receive a refund.

Example: Your Registration Form has 7 attending, 3 are unable to go, so only 4 attend. Payment for all 7 is required. If an Interactor can't attend, another Interactor can be substituted, but if they need a different t-shirt size, we can't guarantee sizes.
3. **Payment:** Checks from schools, school districts, and Rotary clubs: Payable to "DISTRICT 5890 ROTARY INTERACT CLUB"
Checks accepted at the event, or mailed to: Tommie Buscemi, 4722 Autumn Alcove Court, Kingwood, TX 77345. Don't mail cash.
4. **Parental Consent Form** – The form with original signatures is due upon arrival at the conference. (Do not email since I can't print forms for 400 Interactors.) As with any fieldtrip, attendees should also sign their school district's standard liability waiver form.
5. **Chaperones - To attend conference, ALL Interact clubs (even if only 1 or 2 Interactors attend) must have chaperone(s).**
 - ❖ Chaperones attend for free (includes food & beverages), but they must register on the Registration Form.
 - ❖ Who can be a chaperone? Teachers/Staff, Parents, or Rotarians (21-years of age or older)
 - ❖ For every fifteen (15) Interactors, there must be at least one (1) chaperone for your Interact club.
 - ❖ *The same chaperone(s) do not need to stay the entire conference – Multiple individuals can volunteer for 1-3 hour shifts.*
 - ❖ Chaperones are needed in case of an emergency, to monitor entrance/exit doors, and to help us take random roll calls to make sure all their Interactors are still present. We will have a Chaperone Hospitality Room, and their food & beverages will be FREE.
 - ❖ Each Interact club must have a chaperone volunteer to work a 2-hour shift between 5 PM & 10 PM (in the: gym during sports, auditorium during movies, cafeteria during DJ, as Monte Carlo tables as dealers, or at one of the entrance/exit doors)
6. **Interactors Arriving Late or Leaving Early (Teacher Advisers Must Obtain & Submit Written Note From Parent At Event)**
 - Parents must submit written notice, with phone number, to the Interact club's Faculty Adviser in advance of the conference.
 - By March 19th, Faculty Adviser must email Tommie Buscemi the student's name, time of late arrival or early departure, plus home and cell number of the parents.
 - Upon arrival, your club's chaperone must submit the parent's written consent to us at the Registration Desk.
 - To leave the conference, the student and their Teacher Adviser/Chaperone must come to the Registration Desk. We'll call parents to notify them that the student is leaving. If we cannot reach the parent via phone, the student won't be allowed to leave.
7. **Arrival/Departure:** Arrival is 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m., the conference will begin at 10 a.m. and will end Saturday evening at 10:30 PM. Students must be picked up by 11 P.M. **Note:** We ask that Interactors not drive their vehicles to and from the conference.
8. **Special Diets:** Please note on the Registration Form if you are a vegetarian/vegan or have any other special dietary needs.

- **DON'T BRING valuables, cash, credit cards, or expensive electronics.** Sealy ISD, Rotary District 5890, Rotary International or the District 5890 Interact Committee will not be responsible for lost, stolen or missing items.
 - **Social Activities Saturday evening:** We'll have a DJ for dancing, Monte Carlo tables where Interactors can win tickets for door prizes, plus we'll have the gym for basketball, movies in the auditorium, and a photo booth.
 - **Door Prizes needed! PLEASE ask your sponsoring Rotary club to donate/help obtain door prizes.** Each Interact club is encouraged to bring \$20-\$25 of door prizes (in \$5 or \$10 amounts). We'll be giving these away during the conference and the more we have, the more we'll give away. Suggestions: gift cards, electronics, DVD's, gift baskets, tickets to sports events or concerts, etc. Please bring your prizes to the Registration desk upon arrival labeled with the name of your Interact Club.
 - **Interact Club Video Presentations (3-minute maximum)- It's your club's time to brag about what you've done this year!** Please bring your club's PowerPoint, slideshow, video presentation (3-minute maximum, please!) of your projects on a USB drive for our D5890 Interact Club Project Presentation at the conference. NOTE: Presentations are limited to 3 minutes...No exceptions! When you arrive, let the Registration Desk know so we can download your video. Your club has been busy all year, and everyone wants to see what your club has done. In addition, bring photo albums and project boards to display on the project exhibit tables.
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- **INTERACT AWARDS OF THE YEAR: Your club has done great projects & you have awesome Teacher and Rotary Advisers....so we need your club to submit nominations for these awards (See Form #4 for details). To be eligible to win any of the following awards, your club must:** 1) Paid the \$3 per member Interact District Dues; 2) Be an officially chartered Interact club with Rotary International. If you have any questions about your status, please contact Tommie Buscemi at (281) 359-7193 or Tommie5890@suddenlink.net. The \$3 per member Interact District dues, payable to "District 5890 Rotary Interact Club" by check mailed to: Tommie Buscemi, 4722 Autumn Alcove Court, Kingwood, TX 77345. The award ceremony will be at the conference!
 1. **\$150 "Interact Faculty Advisor Award" and \$100 "Rotary Adviser of the Year Award":**
Interactors: Acknowledge your outstanding advisers by nominating them for this award! March 5th is the deadline to submit nominations. Forms won't be accepted at the conference. (See Form #4 for details)
 2. **2017-2018 "Project of the Year Awards":** Please complete the Interact Project Data Form to nominate your project(s) and submit them with your registration forms. March 5th is the deadline to submit nominations, and forms won't be accepted at the conference. Nominations can be made for more than one project in each category. (See Form #4 for details)
Categories: Community Service Project, School Service Project, End Polio Now, and International Service Project.
Note: Rotary Books for the World Project is not eligible since it is a district-wide project involving the majority of our clubs.
 3. **Bring your INTERACT CLUB BANNER, and wear your Interact club T-shirt.** An award will be given to the Interact club with...The Best Interact Club T-Shirt Design!
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- **Interact DCon Group International Service Project: Used Prescription Eyeglasses for Guerrero Eye Clinic**
Give the gift of sight! Children & adult prescription eyeglasses & prescription sunglasses are needed. Hold a "Used Eyeglass Collection Drive" (partner with other clubs/organizations & your sponsoring Rotary club), then bring them to the conference.

Prescription?: We don't need to know the prescription strength of the glasses since optometrists at the clinic will do that.

Project: Twice a year, a team of District 5890 Rotarians from Texas fly to the Guerrero Clinic to perform FREE: eye surgeries, cleft palate surgeries, cataract surgeries, vision exams, laser treatments, make eyeglasses, give dental exams and treatments, plus other medical procedures. This is an amazing Rotary project that is changing/saving the lives of families in the Sierra Madre Mountains in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico. How do the patients get to the clinic? Most patients walk 1-2 days through the mountains to the clinic just for the opportunity to receive their treatments. **Visit www.guerreroclinic.org to learn more about this remarkable Rotary project!**

Delivery to Clinic: June 5, 2018: The glasses will be delivered to the Guerrero Clinic on June 5th by our District 5890 Rotarians! The glasses will be reground and made into glasses that will be given, FOR FREE, to the children and adults that come to the clinic.

- **Would your school like to host the Interact Roundup during September/October 2018 or the 2019 Interact District Conference?** If so, let us know. Please have your Interact Teacher Advisor contact your school principal to confirm their approval prior to nominating your school. Need details? Contact Tommie Buscemi at tommie5890@suddenlink.net.
- **Would you like to be an Interact District Officer for the 2018-2019 school year?** For an Interactor to be eligible for a district-level office, their Interact Faculty Adviser must nominate and submit the Interactor's name and the position they would like to hold to Tommie Buscemi by MARCH 5th. *Faculty Advisers:* The Interactor needs to have served as an officer, director, and/or in a leadership position in their own club and can be a current freshman, sophomore or junior. We rely on you to nominate responsible Interactors. District Officers include: District Governor, District Lieutenant Governor, and District Secretary. Nominees will give a speech (2-minute maximum) during the nominating session on Saturday, March 24th. If you have questions about the duties, please contact Tommie Buscemi.
- **Please share the following phone numbers of our Interact Committee with parent(s) and/or guardian(s):**

Tommie & Charlie Buscemi	Tel: 713-598-7129	Email: Tommie5890@SuddenLink.net or CJSB@SuddenLink.net
Frank Parrilla	Tel: 832-396-2416	Email: FLPARRILLA@ICLOUD.COM