

Hello Again! Find all your action items for joining the 2023 NV Corps.

Nevada Onboarding Blast

Actions, Highlights, and Resources

TEACHFORAMERICA Las Vegas & Reno

As a reminder, this is your corps member email blast that contains some of your **most critical due dates and action items**. Our goal for onboarding is to set you up for success and prepare you for your time with students, families, and the Las Vegas community. These emails are meant to keep you on track and provide you with clear and concise communication.

Please carefully review and complete each item below, one at a time.

In this email, you will find:

- **Required Actions**
- **Highly Suggested Actions**
- **TFA Nevada Important Resources**
- **Rooted in Las Vegas**

Required Actions

1. **Upload Praxis Exam Scores** <ongoing>

- In order for you to maintain your status as a corps member and teach in Las Vegas, you were asked to register for and take your Praxis Exams. For how to register, which tests to take, and deadlines, please carefully review our [Regional Testing Guide](#). Upon receiving scores, [update your status on this form](#).

2. **Complete Las Vegas Regional Pre-Learning** <Part 3 due 4/12>

- Our region has intentionally designed this pre-learning to help lay the foundation of the work you will do over the summer, in your 2 year Corps commitment, and into alumni-hood.

Our regional Pre-Learning comes in three parts: [Part 1](#) (past due), [Part 2](#) (past due), and [Part 3](#) (due 4/12).

Complete [Part 3](#) of our Las Vegas Regional Pre-Learning before Nevada Family Webinar #3, where you will share some of your reflections!

3. **Save the Date for NV Family Webinars** <2 remaining, mandatory webinars, 90 mins. each>

- Nevada Families is our way of building community with you before you even arrive in Nevada! It also helps us give you the information and skills you need to be an awesome Corps Member for students. Check out our mandatory Webinar dates below:

Webinar #3: Wednesday, 4/12/23 at 5:00-6:30 PM PST

JOIN WEBINAR #3 on 4/12 at 5PM PST

by clicking [HERE](#)

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Webinar #4: Wednesday, 5/10/23 at 5:00-6:30 PM PST

4. Introducing the 2023 Pre-Service Attendance & Leave Policy <ASAP, 30 mins.>

- *Do you have questions about this summer's attendance policy? Are you wondering what you will need to do if you have a conflict or need to request an absence?*

[Listen to Tracey Lewis](#), Senior Managing Director of User Experience & Operations, as she walks us through a high level overview of the 2023 Pre-Service Attendance & Leave Policy.

You will then take a deep dive into the [CM Policies: Attendance & Leave and CM Health Insurance Policy course](#) on Docebo. This module outlines our Pre-Service attendance policy, talks through the leave request process, and discusses health insurance options for the summer.

5. Docebo Onboarding Actions <ongoing>

- The deadline to upload **AmeriCorps documents** in the Applicant Center is now **March 24** so you are cleared to work with students prior to summer training. Please keep an eye out for any communication/action items from our AmeriCorps Representative, Natalie Pen.
- **Reminder:** You will find **many** of your TFA Onboarding action items in the Docebo Onboarding Center. We encourage you to review these tasks on a regular basis to remain on track with onboarding, especially as we get closer to the start of Pre-Service. Amanda Hayden recently sent an update on your status in completing coursework. If you have any questions, please reach out!

6. Apply for UNLV <by 5/12/23>

- The University of Nevada Las Vegas is our alternate route to license and Master Degree partner. All unlicensed Corps Members need to apply before arriving in Nevada for fingerprinting.

Secondary and Elementary Applicants

Please note that some changes are being made to ease your application process. We will be back with an updated one-pager in April. Thank you for your patience!

If you have any questions about applying, you can reach out to UNLV advisor, [Lauren Layton](#).

ECE and Special Education Applicants

Use the following links to the step by step guide on how to apply.

[Early Childhood Education](#)

[Special Education](#)

If you have ECE or SPED specific application questions you can reach out to [Dr. Joseph Morgan](#).

7. Save the Dates for Pre-Service Training <reminder>

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- May 31-June 3: Completion of fingerprinting and certification requirements in Las Vegas
- June 8-23: Full time virtual training (there will also be several part-time responsibilities throughout the month of May)
- June 23: All corps members need to have moved to Las Vegas
- June 26-July 14: Summer teaching practicum experience
- July 17: Charter School(s) start date (varies)
- July 26: Clark County School District start date

Highly Suggested Actions

1. **Navigate the Onboarding Hub** *<highly suggested>*
 - Explore our [Onboarding Hub](#) and learn all about what you can expect throughout the next months of onboarding. From a personalized timeline to a budget planner, plan ahead for the Corps Experience and familiarize yourself with the steps to becoming a 2023 Corps Member.
2. **Apply for the 2023 “Pass the Torch” Scholarship** *<by 7/31>*
 - Teachers Test Prep, an education company that supports prospective teachers, is offering \$10,000 through its 2023 “Pass the Torch” Teacher Scholarships program. Two \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded: one to a student preparing to become an elementary school teacher and one to a student preparing to become a secondary school teacher.
 - Scholarship applicants are asked to submit a video telling the story of a teacher who had an impact on them and explaining what they learned from this teacher that they would like to pass on to their future students. This enables both aspiring educators and the broader community to reflect upon the difference that good teachers can make.
 - For more information on how to apply, [check out the details here!](#)
3. **Apply for FAFSA** *<highly suggested>*
 - Apply for federal aid to help cover the up front costs of tuition at UNLV (our graduate school and ARL provider). You can explore and complete the application by visiting the [FAFSA Website here](#).

Please note that Teach For America can not act as a financial advisor.

TFA Nevada Important Resources

- [Regional Offer Guide](#)
- [Regional Testing Guide](#)
- [TFA Las Vegas Onboarding Hub](#)

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March is Women's History Month! Take a moment to [check out](#) organizations founded by TFA Alumni that are working to encourage the next generation of girls.



Kathy Rudd (LV'12) is the passionate co-founder & co-principal of Battle Born Academy and a current mentor for the Aspiring School Leader Fellowship: one of many opportunities offered to our Las Vegas alumni! Be sure to learn all about the TFA Las Vegas happenings by following our Instagram [@tfalasvegas](#)

Thank you for your attention to these important action items!
Have Questions? Feel free to reach out to me!



My name is Amanda Hayden, Director of Onboarding & Rooted in Las Vegas. I will be your point of contact for any questions you might have throughout your onboarding process. I was born and raised here in Las Vegas, and I am a 4th generation Las Vegas local (can you believe it?). I graduated with my undergraduate degree from the University of Arizona, and I came back home to complete my corps experience as a high school English teacher. My experience as a CM was incredible, and I hope to help make yours the same.

Office Hours: Every Tuesday 11:30AM-12:30PM PST

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