MISSION STATEMENT

INSTITUTION: Texas State University-San Marcos

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Mission Statement

"The noblest search is the search for excellence."

-Lyndon B. Johnson
Thirty-Sixth President of the United States, 1963-1969
Texas State University Class of 1930

Texas State University-San Marcos is a public, student-centered, Emerging Research University dedicated to excellence in serving the educational needs of the diverse population of Texas and the world beyond.

Shared Values Statement

In pursuing our mission as a premier institution, we, the faculty, staff and students of Texas State University-San Marcos, are guided by a shared collection of values. Specifically, we value:

- An exceptional undergraduate experience as the heart of what we do;
- Graduate education as a means of intellectual growth and professional development;
- A diversity of people and ideas, a spirit of inclusiveness, a global perspective, and a sense of community as essential conditions for campus life;
- The cultivation of character and the modeling of honesty, integrity, compassion, fairness, respect and ethical behavior, both in the classroom and beyond;
- Engaged teaching and learning based in dialogue, student involvement and the free exchange of ideas;
- Research, scholarship and creative activity as fundamental sources of new knowledge and as expressions of the human spirit;
- A commitment to public service as a resource for personal, educational, cultural and economic development;
- Thoughtful reflection, collaboration, planning and evaluation as essential for meeting the changing needs of those we serve.