



Texas Association of Appraisal Districts

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Dear Chief Appraiser:

Enclosed you will find detailed information on TAAD's **2011 Chief Appraiser Institute** that will begin in September. An application is enclosed for you or any of your staff that is interested in attending. I encourage you to review the attendance criteria, consider this educational opportunity and return the completed application quickly.

The deadline for returning your application and registration fee is **July 1**. (Chief appraisers hired after July 1 interested in attending the institute should contact TAAD immediately to determine if space is available.)

These presentations are designed to meet the requirements for chief appraiser training set out by law. They are also intended to give future leaders of our association tools and ideas to use to make them better administrators. As a better job is done in all appraisal districts, fewer complaints will find their way to the public and to legislators, and we all will be better off.

The format of this program will enable the students to learn from some of the best instructors and practitioners in the business, and also learn from one another. And, it will also build a network of friends that will last a lifetime as the Class of 2011.

I believe there is nothing we do more important than training a successor for our jobs. We do a service to our communities and to the state when we provide for a seamless transition when we retire or advance to a new district.

If you are one of the new chief appraisers required by Chapter 1151, Occupations Code to attend training, the Chief Appraiser Institute curriculum is pending approval by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation and covers all topics specified in the legislation. There are 12 sessions planned in three sets of meetings – in September, October and November.

Please consider this opportunity. You will not be disappointed in the results.

Sincerely yours,

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2011 President
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Enclosures