



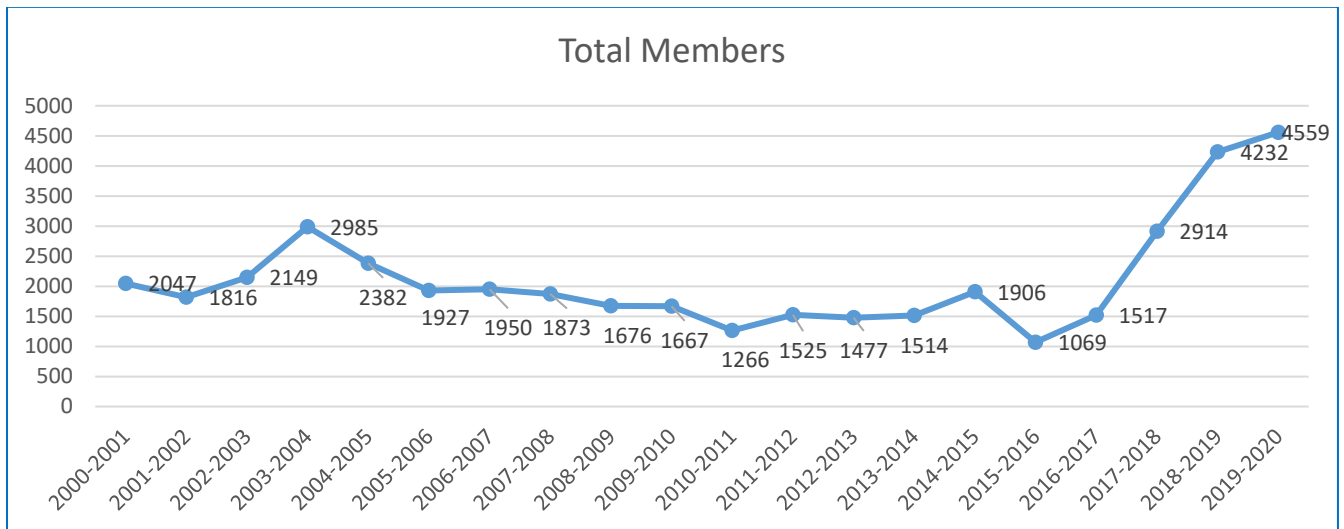
2019-2020

## Annual Report of the Kentucky Technology Student Association

The Kentucky Technology Student Association, KYTSA, continued the 2019/20 school year with a steady growth in membership. KYTSA, the premier Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) for student involved in Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) education classes, continues to be the fastest growing CTSO in Kentucky.

### Membership

KYTSA increased its membership in 2019/20 by 9%. With a total of 4559 students. These students were dispersed among 42 High School and 8 Middle School chapters.



## **Regional Events**

KYTSA is divided amongst three distinct regions:

- Eastern Kentucky, EKTSA
- Central Kentucky, CKTSA
- Western Kentucky, WKTSA

Each Region hosts an annual Regional conference. Host sites are held at regional Universities to provide an outlet for KYTSA students display the knowledge and leadership abilities gained throughout the school year through participation in the CTSO and to further allow students to gain experience and knowledge regarding the regional Universities programs that support STEM education and STEM education preparation studies.

On February 28, 2020 338 students participated in the CKTSA Regional held on the campus of Eastern Kentucky University.

On March 5, 2020 421 students participated in the WKTSA Regional held on the campus of Murray State University.

On March 6, 2020 183 students participated in the EKTSA Regional held on the campus of Morehead State University.

## **State Events**

The annual KYTSA State Conference was scheduled for April 12-15, 2020 at the Marriott Griffin Gate in Lexington, Kentucky. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the conference was cancelled. However, a virtual election was held, and the 2020/21 state officer team was elected by the chapters across the state.

## **National Events**

The annual TSA National Conference scheduled for June 26-July1, 2020 at the Gaylord Opryland convention center in Nashville, Tennessee was also canceled due to the Covid-19 pandemic. However, a national election of officers was held. Jayce Bussell of the Bath County TSA chapter ran as a candidate for National TSA Reporter. After several run-off ballots, Jayce was the runner up in her unsuccessful attempt. Even though there was not an annual conference a virtual awards session & announcement of those elected to office was held. During that session Chasity Rohan, Grant County High School was recognized as the Kentucky High School Advisor of the Year and Sherry Curtsinger, Eminence Middle School, was recognized as the Kentucky Middle School Advisor of the Year. Camp Ernst Middle School, a new chapter, was recognized for having 300+ members.

## **Philanthropic Activity**

With the KYTSA State Conference cancellation activities to support the KYTSA State Service project to raise funds for Kentucky Special Olympics did not come to fruition. However, a virtual KYTSA store was opened to sell Conference T-shirts, Pins and memorabilia was operated with the profits from this store along with two matching donations KYTSA was able to donate \$500 to the **Team Kentucky Fund** to benefit Kentuckians severely impacted financially by the Covid-19 pandemic emergency.