

# TCA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



**Texas Chefs Association**

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**Please Print Clearly:**

Name of TCA Chapter you wish to join: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

*It is critical to keep your contact information current with the TCA. Please provide your preferred contact information below and let us know if this information changes.*

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please select your membership category. See reverse side for complete membership descriptions.*

*To receive a discount, dues payment should be made via check, cash or money order.*

|                          |  | <b>Dues</b> | <b>Cash Discount</b> |
|--------------------------|--|-------------|----------------------|
| _____ TCA Professional   | Minimum of 3 years full-time employment in culinary profession           | \$135.00    | \$130.00             |
| _____ TCA Culinarian     | Minimum 6 months employment, pursuing training and experience            | \$59.00     | \$55.00              |
| _____ TCA Student        | Student or Apprentice with less than 2 years employment                  | \$58.00     | \$54.00              |
| _____ TCA Student-School | School Name: _____   | \$25.00     | \$20.00              |
| _____ TCA Junior         | A high school student between the ages of 16 and 18                      | \$29.00     | \$25.00              |
| _____ TCA Associate      | Representative of a group/company who services the culinary profession   | \$227.00    | \$220.00             |
| _____ TCA Allied         | An individual employed in a field related to the culinary profession     | \$135.00    | \$130.00             |
| _____ TCA Enthusiast     | Individual not employed in culinary field but has a passion for the arts | \$59.00     | \$55.00              |
| _____ TCA Property       | Tiered memberships for businesses – contact State Office                 |             |                      |
| _____ TCA Military       | Contact State Office   |             |                      |

**Method of Payment:** - Membership is processed when dues are paid in full

\_\_\_\_\_ Check/MO \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ Discover \_\_\_\_\_ Master Card \_\_\_\_\_ Amex

CC#: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing address if different from above: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# TEXAS CHEFS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

| Membership Category | Description  |
|---------------------|--|
| TCA Professional    | A Culinarian with a minimum of three years full-time employment in the culinary profession.  |
| TCA Culinarian      | A Culinarian is an individual not involved in the management or supervision of staff, with a minimum of 6 months full time employment. A Culinarian should be pursuing on-the-job training and experience necessary to advance to the membership level of Professional. A culinarian membership is subject to a limit of five years.                                 |
| TCA Student         | A Student Culinarian is a student or apprentice with less than two years full-time employment, a student enrolled in an accredited postsecondary culinary education program, or a registered apprentice as defined by the ACF apprenticeship-training program. A student membership is subject to a limit of four years.   |
| TCA Student School  | Certain schools qualify for discount – contact State Office  |
| TCA Junior          | A Junior Culinarian is a high-school student between 16 and 18 years of age.   |
| TCA Associate       | An Associate Member is a representative of a group, company or corporation providing products or services to the culinary profession.  |
| TCA Allied          | An Allied Member is an individual employed in a field related to the culinary profession (such as dietitians, nutritionists, and restaurant managers or owners).   |
| TCA Enthusiast      | A Culinary Enthusiast Member is an individual that is not employed in a culinary field, but has a passion for the culinary arts. Individuals who enjoy cooking, baking, dining at independent restaurants, or who may have their favorite chef on speed dial should join as an Enthusiast.   |
| TCA Property        | A membership that allows a business or company to purchase and retain employee membership. Must purchase a minimum of one (1) TCA Professional and (2) other TCA Culinarian Level Memberships in order to apply for this category of membership. The property may purchase any number or any type of category past the 3 mandatory memberships.                      |
| TCA Senior          | Retired 65 or older chefs at a reduced rate. TCA Senior Chefs must have a minimum of the last 10 years of membership as unbroken membership. Regardless of age, A member with at least seven (7) years tenure in any category who is permanently and totally disabled from culinary employment shall be eligible for Life Senior Professional Culinarian membership. |
| TCA Military        | A membership to recognize our military chefs that are serving or have served and have been discharged honorably from service. The TCA offers military personnel membership at a discounted rate. Please contact the State Office for pricing.  |

For questions, contact:

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