

**Southwest Transplant Alliance (STA)** is a nonprofit organization based in Dallas, Texas, that saves and heals lives by fulfilling the gifts of organ and tissue donation.

We are building a community of donation for all and partner with high schools and youth organizations to educate about the gift of life and its related career opportunities.

In July, STA hosts an annual Student Residency for incoming Juniors and Seniors. This four-day program based in Dallas, Texas provides an in-depth look at donation and transplantation. Students will experience hands-on activities, leadership development and training, and receive volunteer credits. Other program highlights include:

- Clinical experiences in STA's Simulation and Learning Lab
- Personalized leadership training
- Credit for 8 hours of volunteer and/or community service
- A final capstone project to boost college applications

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW



### Experience in Donation

Students will receive hands-on experiences led by trained professionals. These areas of focus include the exploration of organs and tissues, mock case management, and running tests in the STA Lab.



### Compassion in Donation

Students will learn how STA supports organ and tissue donor families navigating the loss of a loved one. Support services include connecting donor families and transplant recipients, honoring and remembering donor heroes, and inspiring the community to support the gift of life.



### Partners in Donation

Partnerships are invaluable to our lifesaving mission. Students will gain the knowledge and understanding of what it takes to make organ and tissue donation possible. They will learn from transplant centers, research and innovation partners, logistics companies and more.



### Next Steps in Donation

At the end of the week, students will design and present a group capstone project. This project will complete the end of their residency and solidify them as donation champions and advocates for the mission.