



**Association on
Higher Education and
Disability in Texas**
www.txahead.org

***FORWARD TOGETHER:
A DISCUSSION ON HOW TO HANDLE
UNIQUE TIMES***



 *Session*
MATERIALS

AHEAD
in TEXAS

Forward Together:

A Discussion on How to
Handle Unique Times

SWOT Analysis



AGENDA

- SWOT: From Analysis to Action
- Group Activity:
SWOT Exploration of AHEAD in TX
- Forward Together
 - ✓ Survey Results
 - ✓ Envisioning the Future of AHEAD in Texas

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 Poll Everywhere

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FROM ANALYSIS TO ACTION

SWOT

Strengths

“+”

Weaknesses

“-”

Opportunities



Threats



GROUP ACTIVITY: SWOT



ARTICLE I: NAME AND PURPOSE

SECTION 1

The name of this organization is the Association on Higher Education And Disability in Texas (AHEAD in Texas). AHEAD in Texas was established in 1992 and incorporated in the State of Texas as a non-profit corporation in 2000. AHEAD in Texas is an affiliate of the International Association on Higher Education And Disability, formerly known as the Association on Handicapped Student Service Programs in Post-Secondary Education. AHEAD in Texas (hereafter known as the Affiliate) shall educate, train and communicate with professionals of various educational agencies serving students with disabilities attending any public or private post-secondary institution in the State of Texas. AHEAD in Texas does not discriminate against any individual with regard to race, color, gender, age, national origin, religion, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or any other constitutionally or statutorily impermissible reason. This policy extends to all programs and activities supported by AHEAD in Texas.

SECTION 2

The purpose of the Affiliate shall be to serve as a non-profit organization providing expertise and information on disability issues, rights of persons with disabilities, educational and professional development opportunities to higher education disability service providers and other professionals/interested parties, promoting coordination between agencies, associations and organizations for the purpose of promoting opportunity and advocacy for college and university students with disabilities and supporting legislation that benefits higher education and students with disabilities.

Bylaws: <https://www.txahead.org/about>

Survey Results*



Contributing to the Conversation: Pre-Session Survey for
"Forward Together" AHEAD in TX SWOT Analysis

* as of 3/27/2025. N= 21

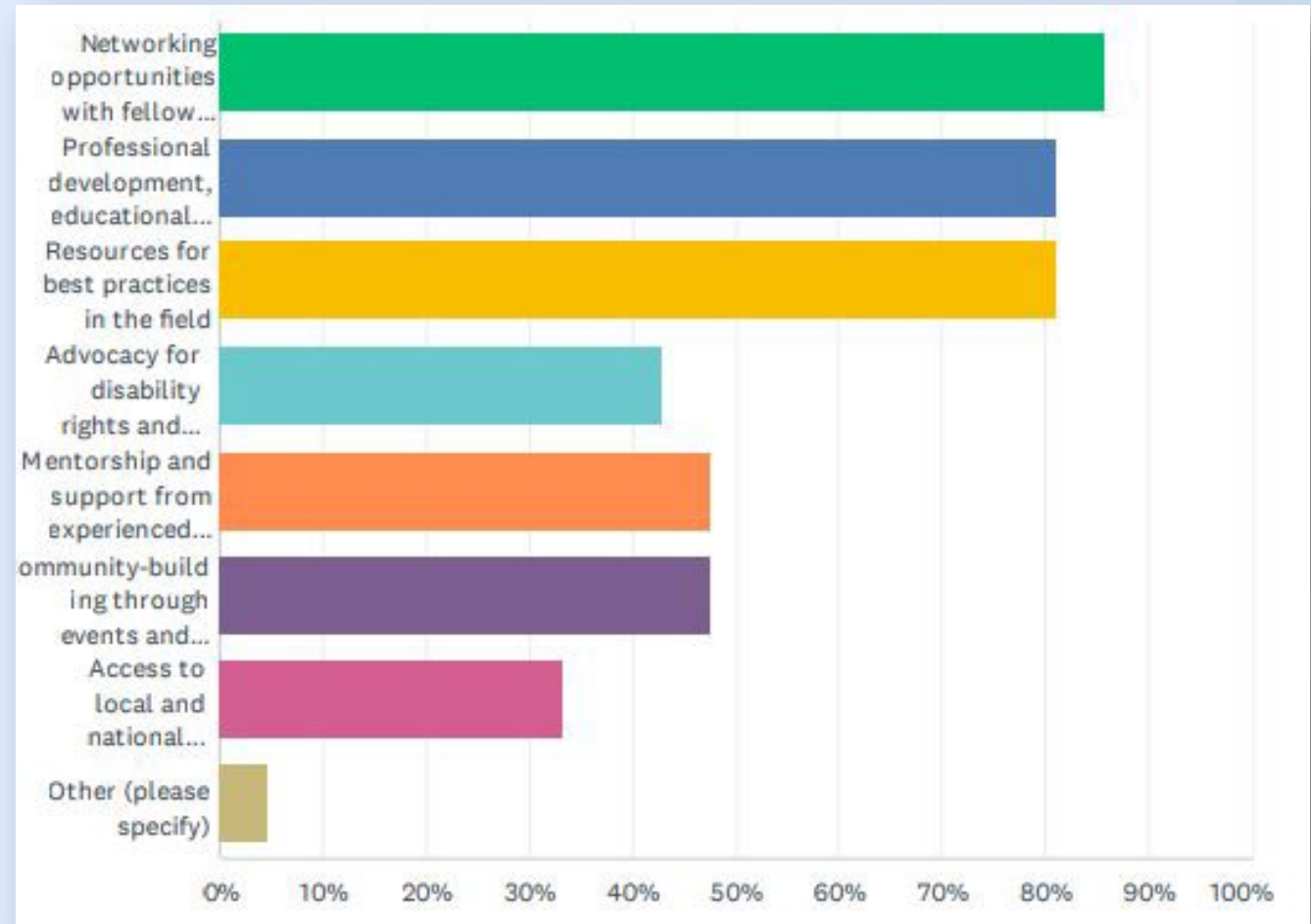
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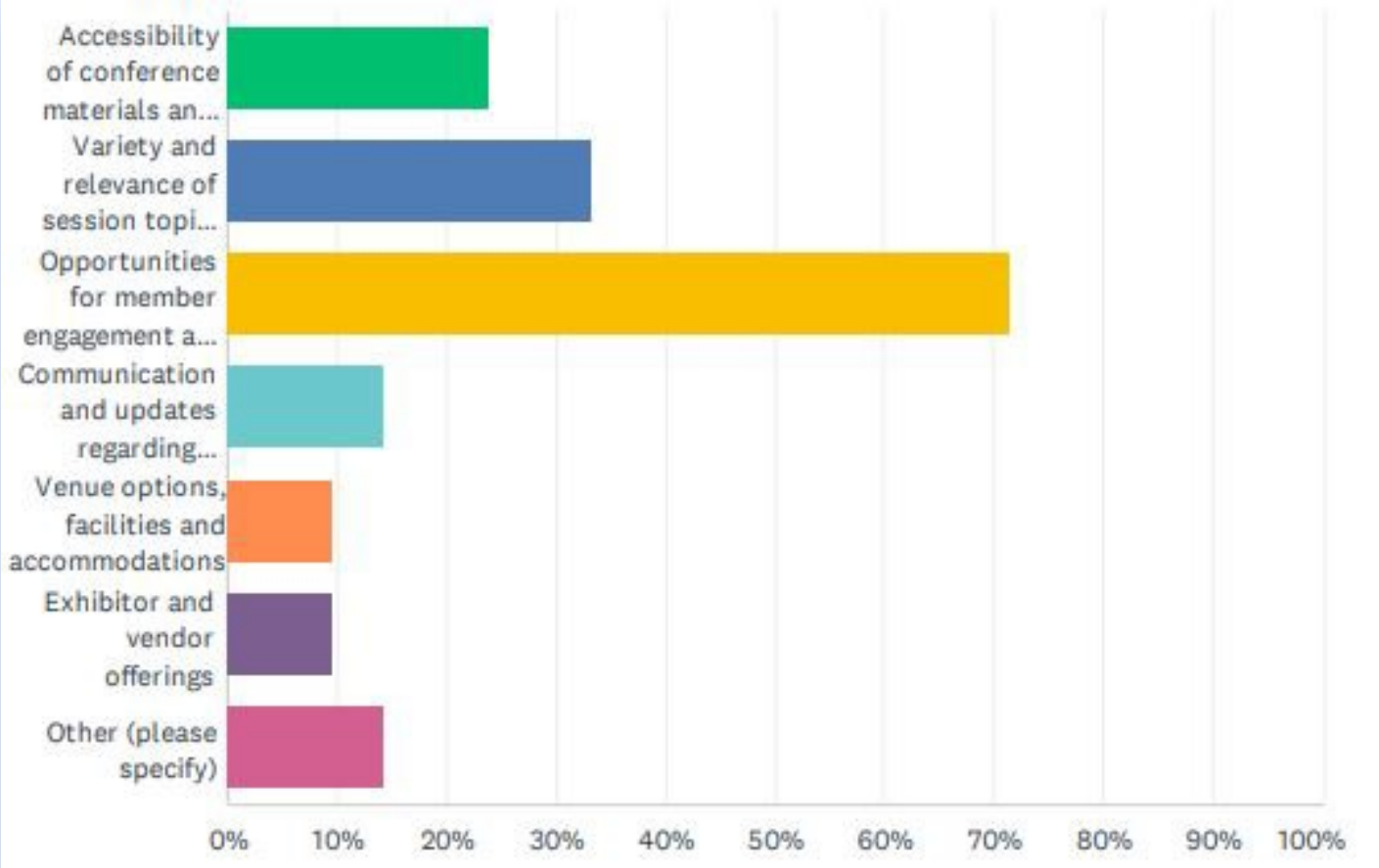
Q1. WHAT ASPECTS OF AHEAD IN TX AS AN ORGANIZATION DO YOU BELIEVE ARE MOST VALUABLE?

- Networking opportunities with fellow professionals
- Professional development, educational sessions and workshops
- Resources for best practices in the field



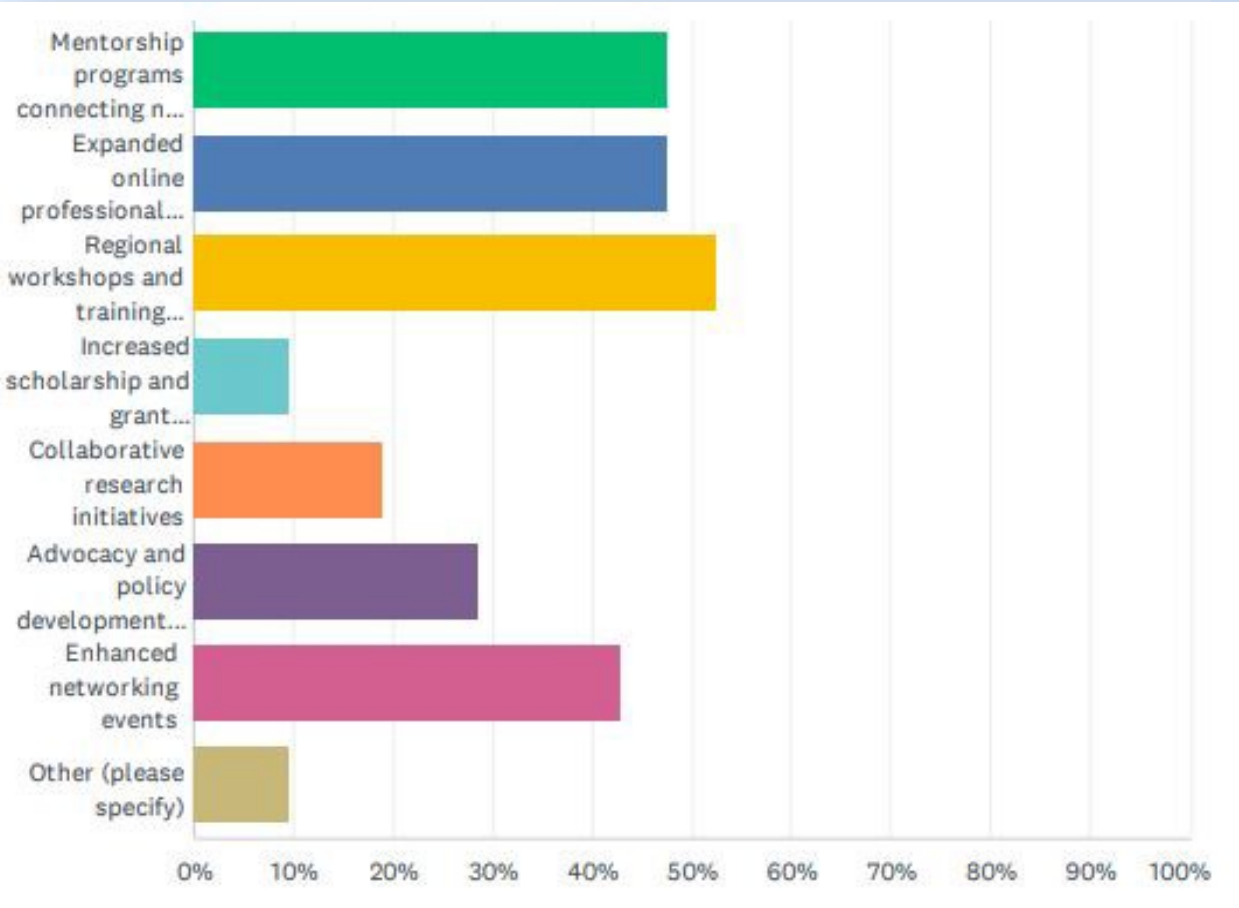
Q2. WHAT AREAS OF AHEAD IN TX AS AN ORGANIZATION DO YOU BELIEVE NEED IMPROVEMENT OR MORE ATTENTION?

- Opportunities for member engagement and interaction beyond the annual conference
- Variety and relevance of session topics in professional development programming
- Accessibility of conference materials and sessions



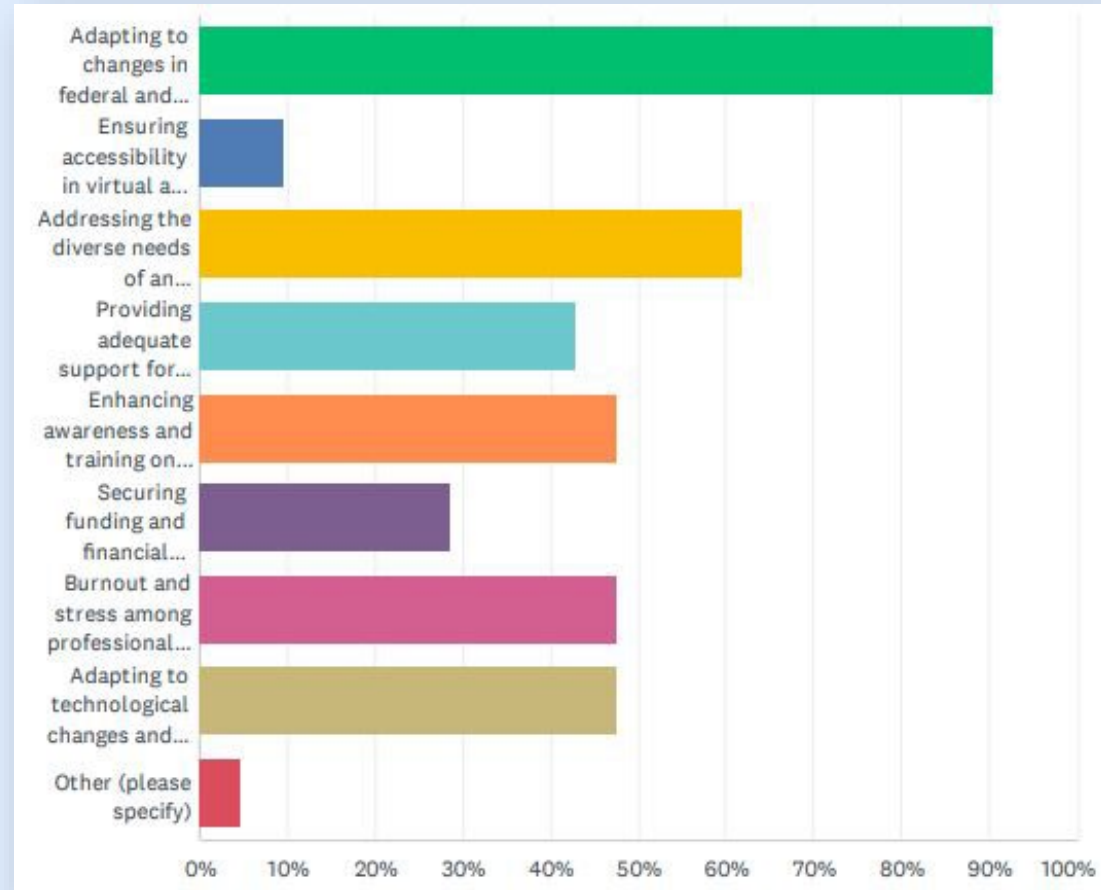
Q3. WHAT ADDITIONAL SERVICES OR PROGRAMS WOULD YOU LIKE AHEAD IN TX TO OFFER ITS MEMBERS?

- Regional workshops and training sessions
- Mentorship programs connecting new and experienced professionals
- Expanded online professional development resources

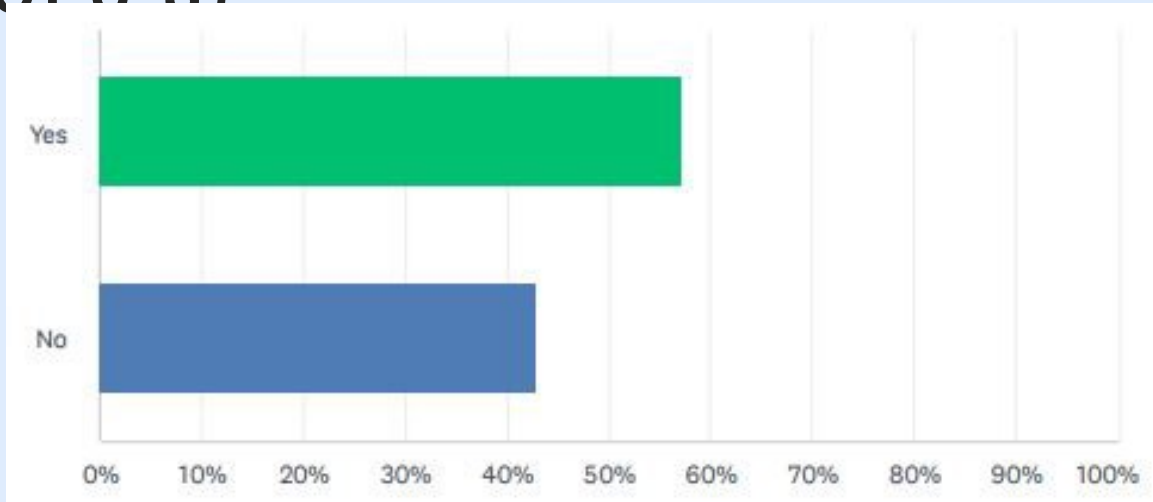


Q4. WHAT CHALLENGES DO YOU THINK AHEAD IN TX MEMBERS MAY FACE IN THE COMING YEARS?

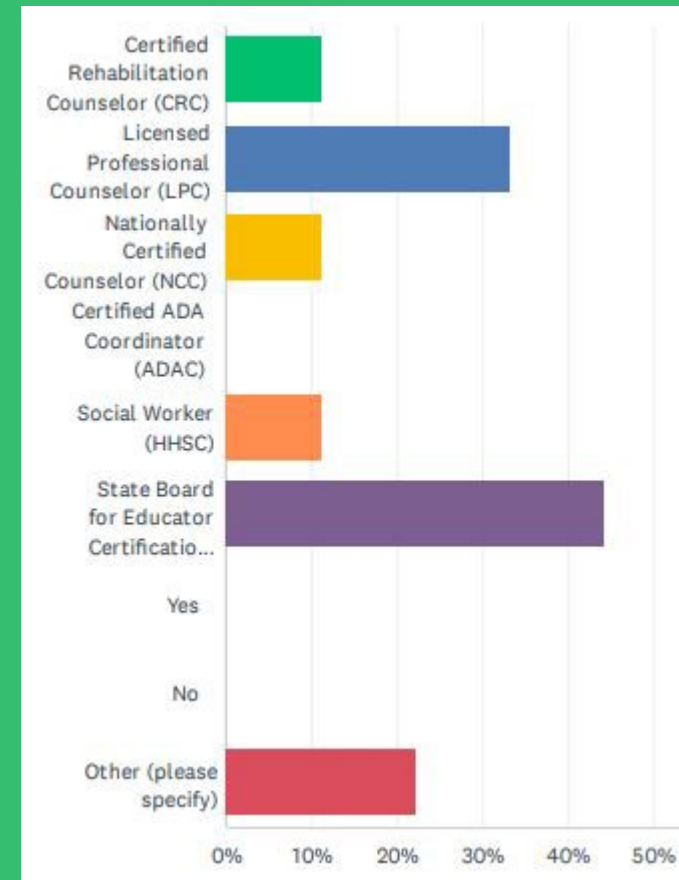
- Adapting to changes in federal and state disability legislation
- Addressing the diverse needs of an increasing number of students with disabilities
- Enhancing awareness and training on neurodiversity within higher education; Burnout and stress among professionals in the field; Adapting to technological changes and advancements in accessibility



Q5. ARE YOU INTERESTED IN EARNING CONTINUING EDUCATION OR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CREDENTIALS THROUGH AHEAD IN TEXAS (E.G., CERTIFICATIONS, CEU'S)?



Q6. Which of the following professional licenses or certifications do you currently hold or are required for your role? (Select all that apply)



Other: Educational Diagnostician

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