

## Wednesday, September 24, 2025

1130-1200	<b>Check in – Commons Entry</b>	
1200-1300	<b>Welcome and Opening Remarks - Commons</b> David Gosnay, Lyondellbasell Operations Mgr., Training & Logistics, NAPTA Chairman <b>Petrochemical Industry Economic Update</b> Chad Burke, CEO/President, Economic Alliance Houston Port Region <b>Lunch</b>	
1300-1330	<b>Dessert with Vendors in Exhibit Hall</b>	
1330-1500	<b>Learning Strategies: Techniques to Aid in Retention of Knowledge</b> Lance Harlan and Brian Franck, Formosa Plastics Corp.	<b>Building Hands-On Lesson Plans Aligned to NAPTA Curriculum - Working Review Session 1</b> David Hirsch, Systran and Gayle Cannon, Middlesex College
1500-1510	<b>Break</b>	
1510-1640	<b>Implanting Plant Science: Why and How to Work Physics and Chemistry Concepts into Your Program</b> Preston Fitzwater & Ken Haynes, Bridge Valley, Steve Moore & Benjamin Polasek, Del Mar College, Erica Griffin, Texas State Technical College	<b>Teaching &amp; Training Using Hands-On Lab Demonstrations</b> Instructors, San Jacinto College
1640-1645	<b>Day One Wrap-Up &amp; Feedback– Commons</b>	

## Thursday, September 25, 2025

0730-0815	<b>Breakfast and Exhibit Hall – 1003 &amp; 1005</b>	
0815-0820	<b>Welcome and Opening Remarks - Commons</b>	
0820-0825	<b>Break</b>	
0825-0955	<b>Teaching Distillation for Understanding and Retention</b> Chuck Ziegler, LYB Glass Distillation Plant 1328	<b>Teaching Essential Maintenance Skills Operators Need to Know</b> Dan Healy, Marathon, National Maintenance Trainer
0955-1005	<b>Break</b>	
1005-1135	<b>Best Practices in Teaching Troubleshooting</b> Chuck Ziegler, LYB Glass Distillation Plant 1328	<b>Using Creative, Hands-on Training Techniques to Engage Your Students &amp; Trainees</b> Dennis Link, College of the Mainland
1135-1220	<b>Lunch – Commons</b> <b>Business Update</b> Shannon Burke, NAPTA Executive Director	
1220-1250	<b>Dessert with Vendors in Exhibit Hall – 1003 &amp; 1005</b>	
1250-1420	<b>Teaching Operator Essentials: Hand Tools</b> Garrett Sherrouse, LYB Mechanical Skills Lab 1401	<b>Building Hands-On Lesson Plans Aligned to NAPTA Curriculum – Working Review Session 2</b> David Hirsch, Systran and Gayle Cannon, Middlesex College
1420-1430	<b>Break</b>	
1430-1530	<b>The Art of Asking: A Guide to Powerful Questioning in the Classroom</b> Regina Cooper, Marathon	<b>Applying Math Skills in PTEC Classes</b> Joe Maire, San Jacinto College
1530-1700	<b>Day Two Wrap-Up &amp; Feedback</b> Dr. Madonna Adams-Guidry, Brazosport College Director, Center for Business & Industry, NAPTA Director <b>Networking Social - Commons</b>	

## Friday, September 26, 2025

0730-0815	Breakfast and Exhibit Hall	
0815-0820	Welcome and Opening Remarks: Dr. Sallie Kay Janes, San Jacinto College Associate Vice Chancellor, Contin. & Prof. Dev., NAPTA Director	
0820-0950	<b>Boosting Training Efficiency with AI: Simple Tools, Real Results</b> Brian Troquille, San Jacinto College	<b>Teaching &amp; Training Using Hands-On Lab Demonstrations</b> Hamza Raheel, Bismark State College
0950-0955	<b>Break</b>	
0955-1105	<b>NAPTA AI Tool Demonstration</b>	<b>Empowering Effective Facilitation</b> Melissa Briggs, HASC, & Dave Cowger, Total Safety
1105-1110	<b>Break</b>	
1110-1215	<b>Emphasizing Critical Thinking Over Memorization: What Are We Teaching? What Does Data Show?</b> <b>How Can We Use This Data to Improve Our Programs?</b> Facilitated Group Forum Moderator: David Gosnay, LYB & NAPTA Chairman Panel: Jerry Isch, Marathon, Tim Smith Formosa, Cyndi Keeth, Marathon/TSC Head Judge, Todd Leonard, Shell	
1215-1245	<b>Lunch and Closing Remarks</b> Shannon Burke, NAPTA Executive Director	

**Mark Your Calendars: NAPTA's National Process Technology Troubleshooting Skills Competition will be held on Thurs. April 30<sup>th</sup> and Fri. May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026!**