

## Texas Intensive English Program

# THE WEEKENDER Spring Break Edition!

### Events & Announcements

Thursday, March 8, 2018

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Thur., March 8



69° | 52°

Mostly cloudy

Fri., March 9



71° | 63°

Partly Cloudy

Sat., March 10



81° | 58°

Mostly Cloudy

Sun., March 11



66° | 45°

Partly cloudy

### Things to Do:

#### South By Southwest: Music, Film, Interactive Festival



**Who:** Music, film, technology, and education leaders from around the world

**Where:** Multiple locations in Austin

**When:** March 9—18

**What:** Year after year, this huge, multi-week event is a launching pad for new creative content. New media presentations, music showcases and film screenings provide buzz-generating exposure for creators and compelling entertainment for audiences. Conference panel discussions present a forum for learning, and business activity thrives at the SXSW Trade Show.

The music event has grown from 700 registrants in 1987 to over 16,000 registrants. As Austin has grown and diversified, film companies and high-tech companies have played a major role in the Austin and the Texas economies. In 1994, SXSW added a film and interactive component to accommodate these growth industries. SXSW Film and SXSW Interactive events together attract approximately 32,000 registrants to Austin every March.

**If you don't have a badge, don't worry! There are tons of events that don't require a badge. There are many free concerts and networking sessions! Some even give out free food and drink! There's something for everyone!**

Download the SXSW Guest Pass for access to free official events like the concerts at Auditorium Shores.

Check out businesses around town for special events and giveaways!

**How much:** Varies. Check website for costs.

**Website:** [sxsw.com](http://sxsw.com)

## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS IS THIS WEEKEND!!

Turn your clocks forward Sunday  
March 11, at 2am!



## Spring Forward!!

Don't forget to get your I-20 signed if  
you are traveling outside of the US for  
Spring Break!



### Spring Break Dates

There will be NO CLASS at TIEP from  
March 12-March 20.

Class begins again on March 21!

## Quote of the Week

“Wit is the salt of conversation, not the food.”

- William Hazlitt (1778-1830)

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# Your Guide to St. Patrick's Day in America!



## Where does St. Patrick's Day (March 17th) come from?

Saint Patrick's Day is a cultural celebration occurring every year on March 17. March 17 is the death date of the patron saint of Ireland, Saint Patrick. The day involves celebrating the heritage and culture of the Irish. Celebrations generally involve parades and festivals, Irish music and dancing, and the wearing of green clothes and shamrocks. St. Patrick's Day is widely celebrated around the world; especially places with many Irish immigrants such as the United States.

## How do people celebrate St. Patrick's Day?

### Wearing Green

On St. Patrick's Day it is customary to wear shamrocks (a three-leafed plant) and green clothing. The color green has been associated with Ireland since the 1640s. Traditionally, those not wearing green on St. Patrick's Day are pinched affectionately. Chicago, Illinois dyes its river green and the fountain at the White House is dyed green on St. Patrick's Day.

### Parades

Numerous large parades are held throughout America. The most notable St. Patrick's Day parades are held in New York City, Boston, Chicago, Savannah, and Seattle. The parade in New York City is the largest St. Patrick's Day parade in the world. 150,000 marchers participate in the parade including bands, firefighters, military and police groups, and social and cultural clubs. Over 2-million people line the streets to watch the parade.

## How do people celebrate St. Patrick's Day in Austin?

### St. Patrick's Day Austin 2018

Saturday, March 17

12pm - 7pm

Pioneer Farms

[www.stpatricksdayaustin.com](http://www.stpatricksdayaustin.com)



St. Patrick's Day Austin will celebrate authentic Irish culture with Irish music, dancing, food and much more!