**Equity & Access: Update**

**April 18, 2018**

**Texas State Campus Climate Survey**

Texas State University administered a campus climate survey in the fall of 2017, encouraging all undergraduate and graduate students to participate and provide their perspectives. The survey asked students about their perceptions of campus community, civility and safety as well as their experiences with discrimination. 4,408 students responded to the survey although some respondents did not complete it. These data are currently being analyzed, and a Campus Climate Task Force will use the results to develop action plans to strengthen our culture of diversity and inclusion so that every student feels valued, respected, and safe.

**Texas State Campus Climate Task Force**

At the President’s Cabinet Retreat on May 29, the Cabinet will appoint faculty, staff, and student representatives to the Task Force and formulate its charge; the selection of representative members will ensure the inclusion of a broad diversity of voices. The new Chief Diversity Office will lead the Task Force in its efforts to promote diversity and inclusion and address threats to these values. Multiple issues await the Task Force’s consideration, including the optimal use of the university’s digital newsroom and the selection and development of significant training programs on subjects like the First Amendment.

Feedback on the make-up and responsibilities of the Task Force is welcome; contact equityaccess@txstate.edu.

**Coming soon: Report of the Texas State Campus Climate Survey**