2021 UIL AT WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Region 1, Conference 2A
ACADEMIC COMPETITION INFORMATION
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Dear UIL Sponsors and Participants:

Thank you for joining us at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, deep in the heart of the Texas Panhandle. The entire Buffalo community is excited and grateful for the opportunity to host the 2021 UIL Region 1-AA Spring Meet. We will provide your students an enjoyable experience at the University and will do whatever we can to make sure they excel in their competitions.

We are ready to welcome you and your students to our campus. WT has been honored with several campus beautification awards and last year was named the safest campus in Texas, so we believe you and your students will have an exceptionally good time while in Canyon.

The WTAMU UIL schedules and handbooks provide information on all aspects of the spring Academic and Athletic competitions. If you have further questions, please reach out to the specific director of the academic or athletic competition.

My goal, as the director of the regional spring meet, is to provide a well-organized event. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to reach me via email or by phone.

On behalf of the entire WT family, we wish you and your students the best of luck!

Sincerely,

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# REGIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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General Information
We look forward to hosting your UIL contests! Check in for Academics is located in the foyer of the Sybil B. Harrington Fine Arts Complex (FAC). It is near the large parking lot on Russel Long Blvd., right off 23rd Street.

Dining while on campus
There is a Pizza Hut, Subway, and McDonald’s all within walking distance on 23rd street. There is also a Starbucks, convenience store, and food court in the Jack B. Kelly Student Union Building which is right behind the FAC.

Schedule a Campus Tour!
We are excited to have you on campus and we want to showcase our newest facilities and share with you our programs. You can call (800) 99-WTAMU to schedule a tour or you can also visit our website to schedule an appointment online at www.wtamu.edu and under Info For: click on Future Students. There you will find the Schedule a Tour button and it will pull up a calendar with dates and times to schedule a tour.

Campus Police
West Texas A&M University Police Department (UPD) officers are certified Texas Peace Officers with jurisdiction granted by the Education Code to enforce local, state and federal laws. Made up of 18 full-time officers, their jurisdiction spans to any county where the Texas A&M University System owns, rents, or leases property.
Phone Numbers you may contact the UPD:
24hr Dispatch: 806-651-2300
24hr Fax: 806-651-2310
Parking Services: 806-651-2308
Lock Shop: 806-651-2145
Emergency: 911

Lost and Found
The Lost and Found Department is located in Room 104 across the hall from the University Police Department and Parking Services in the Old Sub Building at 301 23rd Street, Canyon, Texas 79106.
- Hours of operation are 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday.
- Closed weekends and holidays.
For assistance, please go to Parking Services or contact (806) 651-2309.

Area accommodations and restaurants
Visit the Canyon Chamber of Commerce and you can go to https://www.canyonchamber.org/live-explore-canyon/#dineshop for events, restaurants and shopping locations for Canyon.

You may also visit the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce at https://www.amarillo-chamber.org for local shops, restaurants and more. We encourage you to go to https://www.amarillo-chamber.org/play.html for more detailed information on what is happening in Amarillo.
UIL REGIONAL SCHEDULE

8:00AM
LD roll call – Prose and Poetry verification
Number Sense
Ready Writing
Computer Set-up

8:30AM
LD Round 1  Prose and Poetry Rd. 1
Current issues & events
Ready Writing

9:00 AM
Calculator Applications,
Computer Applications,
Computer set-up

9:30
LD Round 2

10:00 AM
Computer applications contest

10:30AM
Copy Editing
LD Round 2

11:00AM
Informative and Persuasive Draw
Spelling,
Accounting,
Science
News Writing

12:00PM
Feature Writing
1:30 PM
Poetry/Prose Finals  LD semi finals
Computer Science written test
Editorial Writing
Social Studies

2:30 PM
LD Finals
Headline Writing
Mathematics
Computer Science Programming computer set up

3:30 PM
Informative and Persuasive Finals
Literary Criticism
Computer Science programming
Each District Spring Meet Chair will send one check for the total academic fees for the district. Please complete the form and submit with your payment.

*Make checks payable to WTAMU Forensics*

**Check all the events that apply:**

*How the member schools constituting the district divide the full slate fees for Academics and Athletics among themselves is the business of the member schools within the district and the district’s Spring Meet Chairperson. All fees are non-refundable.*

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Payments are due by April 7, 2021
WTAMU COVID Protocols

- Indoor in-person events are limited to 50% of the room’s standard space capacity (i.e. If a room is listed to have a space capacity of 100 in theatre style, the new room capacity will now be 50).

- All attendees should maintain 6 feet of separation except individuals living in the same household.

- All event attendees are required to wear a facemask or face-covering when inside campus facilities, unless a health-related exception exists. Facemasks or face-coverings are also required for outdoor events, where attendees cannot reliably maintain 6 feet of separation.

- All events must develop and execute a process in which attendee contact information (name, telephone, and e-mail) is gathered prior to the event and available upon request.

- All event guests must certify their current health status prior to entering the event venue. In order to simplify the process, all guests (upon entry into the event venue) will have signified that they have not been determined to be COVID-19 positive, do not have COVID-19 symptoms, have not been in the presence of anyone they knew to be COVID-19 positive in the last 14 days, and in the last 14 days have not returned from travel or traveled through an area with state or local travel restrictions that mandate quarantine upon arrival home.
Section 901 (a) of the **UIL Constitution and Contest Rules**:

The Academic Contest ethics code shall carry the force of rule. Member school districts, member schools and/or covered school district personnel who violate any of the provisions of this code shall be subject to penalty.

(1) Participate in contests in the spirit of fairness and sportsmanship, observing all rules – both in letter and in spirit.

(2) Sponsor and advice individuals and teams without resorting to unethical tactics, trickery that attempts to skirt the rules, or any other unfair tactic that detracts from sound educational principles.

(3) Accept decisions of officials and judges without protest and extend protection and courtesy to officials.

(4) Regard opponents as guests or hosts while placing personal and/or team integrity above victory at any cost. Maintain grace and poise in victory or defeat. Conduct that berates, intimidates, or threatens competitors has no place in interscholastic activities.

(5) Provide information or evidence regarding eligibility of any contestant or school to local school administrators or to the appropriate judicial bodies upon request.

(6) Understand and appreciate the educational values of competition and abstain from modifying or soliciting another teacher to modify grades for eligibility purposes, knowing that such behavior defeats the character-building purposes of extracurricular competition.

(7) Abstain from any practice that makes a student feel pressured to participate in non-school activities.

(8) At all times, ensure that competition is relative to a more important overall educational effort, using competition as a tool in the preparation of students for citizenship and successful adulthood.

(9) Insure that UIL Academic district, regional and state meets receive precedence over non-qualifying contests or meets.

(10) School districts shall notify the academic district or regional meet director no later than the end of the second school day following academic district or regional competition if a student or a team knows that it will not compete at the next higher academic meet.
ELIGIBILITY AND CERTIFICATION

Entries
No individual entry required. All academic entries are downloaded from the district results in the UIL Spring Meet online system. Fees should be paid by the District Executive Committee chair, not by individual schools, except for one-act play.

Eligibility
The eligibility of a student competing at the regional meet is the responsibility of the individual school.

Contest Results
It is the responsibility of the contestants, their sponsors, coaches and/or administrators to obtain contest results. Please plan to be present for awards for your event or have someone from your school present. Please refer to VERIFICATION, AWARDS AND WINNERS PACKETS below.

Contest No Shows
A list of absent contestants will be reported to the state UIL office from each academic event. It is vitally important that you notify the Regional Director in advance if a contestant will be unable to attend the regional competition. The UIL will take appropriate action to enforce the no-show notification requirement.

Withdrawal and Alternates
A school that withdraws a student from the Regional Meet is responsible for notifying the appropriate alternate and the Regional Director. Refunds of entry fees for withdrawals will not be made.

Tardiness
A student will not be allowed to enter a contest room late without prior permission from the contest director. No exceptions are made in Calculator Applications and Number Sense. If a contestant needs to leave early to go to another event, these arrangements (where permitted in the contest plan) MUST be made prior to the beginning of the contest.
Hotel Information

Possible hotels that are within 20 minutes of WTAMU’s campus. The first two hotels are adjacent to campus and closest to West Texas A&M University.

Best Western Palo Duro Inn and Suites
2801 4th Ave
Canyon TX 79015
806-655-1818

Holiday Inn Express and Suites
2901 4th Ave
Canyon TX 79015
806-655-4445

Comfort Suites
6318 Venture Dr.
Amarillo TX 79110
806-576-3675

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Amarillo south
6701 Hollywood RD
Amarillo TX 79119
806-352-1900

Staybridge Suites Amarillo – Wester Crossing
36 Western Plaza Dr.
Amarillo TX 79109
806-367-9660

Hyatt Place Amarillo West
8985 W. Amarillo Blvd.
Amarillo TX 79124
806-310-2700

Candlewood Suites Western Crossing
180 Western Plaza Dr.
Amarillo TX 79109
806-418-2661
Hilton Garden Inn
9000 I-40 W
Amarillo, TX 79124
806-355-4400

Towne Place Suites
6807 I-40W
Amarillo, TX 79106
806-242-5777

Home2 Suites
8251 W. Amarillo Blvd.
Amarillo TX 79124
806-803-7777

SpringHill Suites
2301 Cinema Dr.
Amarillo, TX 79124
806-381-3400

Hampton Inn & Suites West
6901 I-40 West
Amarillo TX 79106
806-467-9997

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
8330 W Amarillo Blvd.
Amarillo TX 79124
806-418-2505

Homewood Suites
8800 I-40 W
Amarillo TX 79124
806-355-2222

Drury Inn & Suites
8540 I-40
Amarillo TX 79106
806-351-1111