

# Academic Conflict Pattern

The Academic Conflict Pattern is not mandated at district. However, districts are strongly encouraged to follow it. The conflict pattern will be strictly observed at all region meets and at the UIL Academic State Meet. Contests in a given set do not conflict with contests in any other set, with the exception of restrictions in speaking events. For example, Number Sense in Set 1 does not conflict with Accounting in Set 2 or with Social Studies in Set 3.

**Set 1**  
3 hours  
(i.e. 8-11 a.m.)

**Set 2**  
2 1/2 hours  
(i.e. 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.)

**Set 3**  
2 hours  
(i.e. 1:30-3:30 p.m.)

**Set 4**  
2 1/2 hours  
(i.e. 3:30-6 p.m.)

Only the following contests will be held during Set 1.

These contests may be scheduled at the same time:

- Current Issues & Events
- Ready Writing
- Prose prelims
- Poetry prelims
- Lincoln-Douglas debate prelims

Each of the above contests conflicts with:

- Calculator Applications
- Number Sense

Calculator Applications, Number Sense and Computer Applications may not be held at the same time.

These contests may be scheduled at the same time:

- Computer Applications
- Copy Editing

These contests may not be scheduled at the same time:

- Ready Writing
- Copy Editing

Only the following contests will be held during Set 2.

These contests may be scheduled at the same time:

- Accounting
- Informative Speaking
- Persuasive Speaking
- Science
- Spelling & Vocabulary

Each of the above contests conflicts with:

- Feature Writing
- News Writing

Feature Writing and News Writing may not be held at the same time.

Only the following contests will be held during Set 3.

These contests may be scheduled at the same time:

- Social Studies
- LD finals
- Prose finals
- Poetry finals

Each of the above contests conflicts with:

- Computer Science
- Editorial Writing
- Headline Writing
- Mathematics

Editorial Writing and Headline Writing may not be held at the same time.

Computer Science and Mathematics may not be held at the same time.

Only the following contests will be held during Set 4.

These contests may be scheduled at the same time:

- Computer Science (Programming session)
- Informative finals
- Literary Criticism
- Persuasive finals




If you enter:

Team Debate.....	Lincoln-Douglas Debate
Lincoln-Douglas Debate.....	Team Debate, Prose Interpretation, Poetry Interpretation
Prose Interpretation.....	Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Poetry Interpretation
Poetry Interpretation.....	Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Prose Interpretation
Informative Speaking.....	Persuasive Speaking
Persuasive Speaking.....	Informative Speaking

You may not enter these contests:

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	Set 1 3 Hours	Set 2 2.5 Hours	Set 3 2 Hours	Set 4 2.5 Hours
Academics	Accounting			
	Computer App.			
	Current I & E			
	Literary Criticism			
	Ready Writing			
	Social Studies			
STEM	Spelling			
	Calculator App.			
	Computer Sci.			
	Mathematics			
Journalism	Number Sense			
	Science			
	Copy Editing			
	Editorial			
Speech & Debate	Feature			
	Headline			
	News			
	Informative			
	Lincoln Douglas			
	Persuasive			
	Poetry			
	Prose			

-  Prep & Contest
-  Prelims
-  Finals

The conflict pattern is not mandated at district, but it will be honored at all regional and state meets.

Regional and state schedules will not be modified to allow participation in conflicting events.

**SET 1**  
3 hours  
The following events may begin at the same time: Prose, Poetry, Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Ready Writing\*, Computer Applications\* and Current Issues & Events. Calculator Applications, Number Sense and Computer Applications may not be held at the same time. Students may also participate in both Current Issues & Events and Computer Applications so long as they are set up and do not delay the start of the Computer Applications contest. Number Sense and Calculator Applications conflict with Current Issues & Events, ready writing, prose/poetry interpretation and Lincoln-Douglas debate. Ready Writing and Copy Editing may not be scheduled at same time. Computer Applications and Copy Editing may be held at same time.

**SET 2**  
2.5 hours  
The following events may begin at the same time: Informative Speaking, Persuasive Speaking, Spelling & Vocabulary, Science and Accounting. News Writing\* and Feature Writing\* may not be held at the same time. Note: Informative and Persuasive Speaking finals and Computer Science Programming may conflict.

**SET 3**  
2 hours  
The following events may be held at the same time: Mathematics, Social Studies, Prose, Poetry and Lincoln-Douglas Debate. Editorial Writing\* and Headline Writing may not be held at the same time. Computer Science and Mathematics shall not be held at the same time.

**SET 4**  
2.5 hours  
The following events may begin at the same time: Informative Speaking finals, Persuasive Speaking finals, Literary Criticism and Computer Science Programming\*\*. Programming is administered at all levels of competition – district, regional and state.

\*- Events utilizing computers (Computer Applications, Editorial, Feature, News, and Ready Writing) must have at least 30 additional minutes earlier than indicated on the chart to set-up equipment. The contestant is not required to be present for equipment set-up.

\*\* – The 2.5 hour block indicated for Computer Science hands-on programming allows 30 minutes for roll call, preliminary announcements and the “dry run” practice problem, followed by a full two hours for the actual contest. NOTE: Teams must also have at least 30 additional minutes earlier in the day to set up equipment. The equipment set up may take place at any point during the contest day; all team members are not required to be present for equipment set up.

# Sample District Meet Schedule

## 2022-2023

The conflict pattern exists so students can be assured that they will be able to compete in the contests for which they've prepared. It is constructed in four sets of contests.

### 1-DAY SCHEDULE

#### SET 1

8 a.m.

LD Debate prelims Round I, Number Sense,  
Ready Writing computer set-up

8:30 a.m.

Prose (prelims), Poetry (prelims),  
Current Issues & Events, Ready Writing

9 a.m.

Calculator Applications,  
Computer Applications computer set-up,  
LD Debate prelims Round II

10 a.m.

Computer Applications contest,  
LD Debate prelims Round III

10:30 a.m.

Copy Editing

#### SET 2

11 a.m.

Informative (prelims), Persuasive (prelims),  
Spelling, Accounting, Science, News Writing

Noon

Feature Writing

#### SET 3

1:30 p.m.

Poetry finals, Prose finals, LD Debate semi-finals,  
Computer Science written test,  
Editorial Writing, Social Studies

2:30 p.m.

Headline Writing, Mathematics, LD Debate finals,  
Computer Science Programming computer set-up

#### SET 4

3:30 p.m.

Informative finals, Persuasive finals,  
Literary Criticism,  
Computer Science programming

### 2-DAY SCHEDULE

#### FIRST DAY, SET 1

4 p.m.

Number Sense,  
Ready Writing computer set-up,  
Current Issues & Events

4:30 p.m.

Prose (prelims), Poetry (prelims),  
LD Debate (prelims), Ready Writing

4:45 p.m.

Calculator Applications,  
Computer Applications set-up

5:45 p.m.

Computer Applications contest

#### SECOND DAY, SET 2

8:30 a.m.

Copy Editing (from Set 1)

9 a.m.

Informative (prelims), Persuasive (prelims),  
Spelling, Accounting, Science, News Writing

10 a.m.

Feature Writing

#### SECOND DAY, SET 3

11:30 a.m.

Poetry finals, Prose finals,  
LD Debate semi-finals,  
Computer Science written test,  
Editorial Writing, Social Studies

12:30 p.m.

Headline Writing, Mathematics, LD Debate finals,  
Computer Science Programming  
computer set-up

#### SECOND DAY, SET 4

1:30 p.m.

Informative finals, Persuasive finals,  
Literary Criticism,  
Computer Science Programming

The suggested start time above includes prep and contest time. Events utilizing computers (Computer Applications, Computer Science Programming, Editorial, Feature, News and Ready Writing) must have at least 30 additional minutes earlier than indicated on the chart to set up equipment. Except for journalism events, computer set-up times are suggested on the sample schedule above.