Region IV-2A/4A Academic Handbook

April 21-22, 2023

Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi

Dear Coordinators, Directors, Coaches, and Students:

Congratulations on advancing to the UIL Academics Regional Meet for Region IV AA/AAAA! We are excited to bring the Region meet back to Corpus Christi and with the efforts of UIL enthusiasts from across Texas we look to send this region's best and brightest on to the State Meet.

This Handbook is the official source of information for the Region IV-2A/4A University Interscholastic League Spring Meet. Please read this information carefully, and if you have any questions, please contact the Region Contest Directors.

Events will be conducted in accordance with the University Interscholastic League 2022-2023 Constitution and Contest Rules.

CONTACT INFORMATION

REGION CONTEST DIRECTORS:

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General Information

There is NO general check-in area or table. Contestants should report directly to contest rooms.

Headquarters

The headquarters for the operation of all academic events is BH 126

Awards

After results are verified, medals should be picked up from BH 126. All medals should be picked up by schools before leaving. Medals must be picked up by an adult representative of the school. **No awards or materials will be mailed**.

First through sixth place medals will be awarded in all individual events. Medals will also be awarded to team members in team events. The winning team's school will also receive a plaque in each of the team events. The school with the highest total points for all academic events will be named the Regional Academic Champion and will be awarded a regional academic champion trophy.

Test Materials

Please note that test materials should be picked up following verification. Materials will not be shipped. Any materials not picked up at verification will be brought to BH 126 and must be picked up before the school leaves.

Contest Assistants

All coaches are asked to check in with the contest director on the day of the contest to offer assistance in proctoring, monitoring, and grading.

Grading

Grading will happen immediately following each contest. Rooms will be designated on the schedule for each contests' grading area. All available coaches are asked to assist with grading. Please note that Computer Applications and Spelling require a grader for all participating schools.

- Computer Applications. All coaches are required to serve as graders, unless excused by the contest director. If a coach cannot grade, it is the coach's responsibility to provide a substitute, preferably someone somewhat familiar with the contest, and advise the director that they are providing a substitute. The contest director may disqualify contestants if a grader is not provided.

-Spelling and Vocabulary. We will utilize the UIL provided recording for part II of the Spelling test. Coaches are encouraged to volunteer as verifiers. All schools taking part in the contest need to provide a grader.

Computers

No computers will be provided by the regional site. All events that require or allow a computer/printer, must be provided by the individual school as well as other resources such as power strips, copy stands, paper, etc.

In events where computers and printers are used, it is the responsibility of each student to ensure the equipment is working properly. Computers must be set up and ready to use when the contest begins. Printing must have started by the end of the contest time. Sponsors will not be allowed to assist students if the equipment malfunctions during the contest and extra time will not be allotted.

Day of Procedures

Competitors and sponsors should report to contest rooms 15 minutes prior to the contest so that events may start on time. Please note that when technology is used, it must be ready at the beginning of contest time. Therefore in those events, contestants may want to arrive more than 15 minutes early.

Dining Options

Please plan accordingly in terms of food options. TAMUCC provides some dining options in their student union but hours and availability will be uncertain. There is a wide variety of dining options on SPID.

Parking

There will be a designated parking lot for all schools located near Bay Hall. Any other parking is subject to the restrictions of the university on Friday and Saturday. Please utilize the designated lot.

Special Accommodations

Contestants requiring accommodations must present their letters from the UIL State Office, noting acceptable adaptations to the Region Meet Directors no less than 5 (five) business days prior to the event in which they are participating. All accommodation requests must have prior approval from the UIL State Office.

Eligibility

The eligibility of each student competing at the Regional Meet is the responsibility of the individual school he or she is representing.

Fees

La Vernia High School will be serving as the Region IV-2A/4A Fiscal Agent. All District Chairs should remit entry fees for the regional contest in the amount of $2,500.00. This amount is for academics only. Sporting events will be billed separately. These fees do not include OAP. A copy of the invoice is included in this handbook. District Chairs are responsible for making arrangements with District schools for fee payment.

Registration

Academic results are submitted through the UIL Spring Meet online system via SpeechWire. No other contestant registration is necessary for the regional meet.

Entry Changes, Alternates, and Team Substitutions

Each District Chairperson must certify the district results. The correct and full names, not initials, of the contestants must be given. The first and second alternates must be notified that if one or two of the qualifiers cannot make the meet, the alternate(s) will be able to compete at the Regional Meet. If a school has any changes in its entries after they have been submitted, both the District Chairperson and the Regional Meet Director must be informed in writing prior to the day of the contest. Any team substitute, as allowed by the C&CR, must present a completed substitution form or a letter of eligibility signed by the designated school administrator. Any questions about entries or changes should be sent to Region Meet Directors.

Late Arrival

When a student is not present at roll call, they may be replaced by an alternate. Once an alternate has replaced a student in roll call, a further substitution WILL NOT be made. A student who arrives after the contest has begun will not be permitted to compete, even if no alternate has replaced him/her.

Absent Contestants

A list of absent contestants will be reported to the State UIL office from each academic event if prior notification was not given

Verification

Verification will take place in the designated rooms listed on the schedule Contest directors will announce approximate times for verification and awards presentation at roll call for each event. Coaches or another representative of the school should be

present at verification for each contest to verify results. Once the verification period has ended, results are final. Verification will last for a period of 15 minutes. No photographs can be taken of tests or keys during verification.

Wild Cards

Please watch the UIL website for updates on Wild Cards and regional advancement on a wild card. Those advancing to state through the Wild Card process are responsible for checking the UIL website.

Poetry and Prose Documentation

Prose documentation will take place at roll call in BH 207. Poetry documentation will take place at roll call in BH 206. Students that do not meet documentation requirements are subject to disqualification.

Lincoln Douglas Debate

LD Debate roll call will take place in BH 103. All competitors are guaranteed 3 rounds. The first two matches will be random and the third round will be power-matched. After preliminary rounds are complete, the top 8 will advance to quarterfinals. All elimination rounds will be paneled.

Speech Judges

Each district is REQUIRED to provide one Speech Judge and one Debate judge. This is not per school but per district. Please fill out the form below and email these forms to Noah Recker at nrecker@lvisd.org by April 5th. Failure to submit forms could put speech entries in jeopardy.

Academic Conflicts

If a student who has not followed the State Conflict Pattern earns eligibility to compete at the regional level in more than one event and finds that they have a full or partial conflict in the two events, they must make a choice of which contest will be participated. No adjustments will be considered to accommodate the conflict if the State Conflict

Pattern was not followed at the district level. Following the Conflict Pattern at Region is mandated by UIL.

State Meet Information

Information regarding the UIL Academic State Meet is posted on the UIL website. Coaches and contestants must go to the UIL website for details. Responsibility for knowing dates, times, and locations rests solely with coaches and contestants.

Schedule of Events

Region IV-2A and IV-4A Academic Meet Schedule and Procedures

Friday, April 21, 2023

4:30pm	Computer Science Set-Up (4A - EN 104, 2A - EN 106)
	LD Debate Roll Call (BH 103)
4:45pm	LD Prelim Round 1
5:30pm	Computer Science Written Exam (4A - EN 101, 2A - EN - 108)
5:45pm	LD Prelim Round 2
6:30pm	Computer Science Programming (4A - EN 104, 2A - EN 106)
7:00pm	LD Prelim Round 3
8:00pm	LD Debate Verification (BH 128)
8:15pm	LD Quarters

Saturday, April 22, 2023

8:00am   Number Sense (CI 138, Grading - CI 128)

                    Ready Writing Computer Set-Up (EN 104)

8:30am   LD Semi-Finals

                    Poetry Roll Call and Documentation Check (BH 206)

                    Prose Roll Call and Documentation Check (BH 207)

                    Current Issues and Events (OCNR 145, Grading OCNR 145)

                    Ready Writing (EN 104)

9:00am   Calculator Applications (CI 138, Grading - CI 128)

                    Computer Applications Set-Up (EN 106)

9:30am   LD Finals

10:00am   Computer Applications Contest (EN 106, Grading - EN 106)

10:30am   Copy Editing (RFEB 101)

11:00am   Extemp Draw Prelims (BH 103)

                    Accounting (CI 113, Grading - CI 127)

                    Science (4A - IH 164, 2A - IH 163, Grading - CI 122)

                    News Writing (EN 104)

11:30am   Spelling (IH 160, Grading - IH 160)

12:00pm   Feature Writing (EN 104)

1:30pm   Prose Finals

                    Poetry Finals

                    Editorial Writing (EN 104)

1:45pm   Social Studies (CI 113, Grading - CI 113)

2:00pm   Mathematics (CI 138, Grading - CI 128)

2:30pm   Headline Writing (EN 104)

3:30pm   Extemp Draw Finals (BH 103)

Expected Code of Conduct:

1. Participate in contests with a spirit of fairness and sportsmanship, observing all rules, both in letter and in spirit.

2. Sponsor and advise individuals and teams without resorting to unethical tactics, trickery (which attempts to skirt the rules), or any other unfair tactic which detracts from sound educational principles, decisions of officials, and judges without protest and extend protection and courtesy to officials.

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, based on gender or ethnic origin, 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. Ensure that UIL Academic District, Regional, and State Meets receive precedence over non-qualifying contests or meets.

10. For School Districts – 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 will not complete at the next higher-level academic meet.

11. All participants and guests must respect and comply with site rules and requests.

Map of Campus

Ocean Drive

← to Downtown

Naval Air Station Gate

Island Boulevard

Starfish Parking Lot — UNDER CONSTRUCTION

HRI Lot

NRC Lot

Angel Fish Dr.

Angelfish Parking Lot

Surf Lane

Starfish Lane

Seahorse Parking Lot

Bayside Parking Garage

Oso Lane

Seagull Lane

Dolphin Lane

Jellyfish Parking Lot

Dolphin Lane

Turtle Cove Parking Lot

Sanddollar Parking Lot

Wavecrest Drive

Seabreeze Parking Lot

Tarpon Parking Lot

Bayview Lane

Curlew Parking Lot

Plaza

Plaza

Curlew Lane

Sand Dollar Boulevard

Hammerhead Parking Lot

Modular Building 2

Modular Building 1

Miramar Lane

ATM

Key
(with classroom codes)

1 Bay Hall (BH)
2 Carlos Truan Natural Resources Center (NRC)
3 Center for Instruction (CI)
4 Center for the Arts (CA)
5 Center for the Sciences (CS)
6 Chapman Press Box
7 Classroom East (CE)
8 Classroom West (CW)
9 Conrad Blucher Institute for Surveying/Science (CBI)
10 Corpus Christi Hall (CCH)
11 Dining Hall
12 Driftwood (DRIFT)
13 Dugan Wellness Center (DWC)
14 Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC)
15 Engineering Building (EN)
16 Faculty Center (FC)
17 Field House (FH)
18 Glasscock Center (GSSC)
    Center for Academic Student Achievement
19 Harte Research Institute (HRI)
20 Island Hall (IH)
21 Mary and Jeff Bell Library (LIB)
    Islander Welcome Center
22 Michael and Karen O'Connor Building (OCNR)
23 Miramar University Housing
24 Momentum Village Housing
25 Performing Arts Center (PAC)
26 Physical Plant
    University Police, Central Receiving, Motor Pool,
    Printing Services, Vehicle Maintenance,
    Vehicle Storage
27 Purchasing (PROC)
28 Sandpiper (SAND)
    Health Services
29 Science Lab
30 Student Services Center (SSC)
31 University Center (UC)
32 University Services Center (USC)

MOMENTUM CAMPUS

Ennis Joslin Road

Dr. Jack Dugan Family Soccer & Track Stadium

Thomas J. Henry Tennis Center

Parking Lot

Sand Volleyball Courts

Islander Way

Parking Lot

Parking Lot

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Islander Way

Parking Lot

Intramural Fields

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Off-Island Facilities
Antonio E. Garcia Arts Education Center
Art Museum of South Texas
Flour Bluff Building:
    Coastal Bend Business Innovation Center
    Lone Star UAS Center
Islander Art Gallery
Woo Sung Lee Alumni Welcome Center

Hourly/daily parking is available at the Bayside Parking Garage.
Parking permit required in all Student/General lots.

- Student/General
- Reserved/Vendor
- Parking Garage
- Drop Off Zone
- Handicapped
- Bicycle Rack
- Resident Student
- Visitors
- 30-Minute
- ATM Wells Fargo ATM
- K Entry Kiosk
- Motorcycles

Campus Speed Limit is 20 MPH Unless Otherwise Posted

- Jogging Trail
- Emergency Phone
- B TAMU-CC Bus Stop: University Routes #5, #63 & #66
- Information Map
- L Loading Dock
- Palapa
- Unisex Restroom Locations

DISTRICT PAYMENT FORM – 2023 REGION IV, CONFERENCE AA/AAAA

Each District Spring Meet Chair will send <u>one check</u> for the fees for all competitors from the entire academic district. Please complete the form and submit with your payment. Payments are due by April 10, 2023

Name of District
Chair:_____

District #: _____

District Chair's School: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Academic District Fees: $2,500 per district

Make checks payable to: Please mail payments to:
La Vernia High School   La Vernia High School
                                     ℅ Noah Recker
                                     225 Bluebonnet Rd
                                     La Vernia, TX 78121

If you have any questions concerning this invoice, please contact the Region Academic Meet Directors rharris612@uvaldecisd.net, abates@sabinepass.net, nrecker@lvisd.org

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

District Judge Sign Up

Please note that each district is required to submit one LD judge and one speech judge. Please fill out a separate form for both judges.

Name of Judge_____

Conference ___2A   ___4A

District Number _____

___Speech Judge   ___Debate Judge

List school conflicts from the opposite conference:

Please provide relevant experience below:

Please email this form to nrecker@lvisd.org no later than April 5th.