ACADEMICS

UIL Regional Handbook
Region III, AAAA

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HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

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Waco-Connelly
Waco – La Vega

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Groesbeck
Madisonville
Mexia
Palestine

District 19
Carthage
Center
Henderson
Rusk
Tatum

District 20
Diboll
Huntington
Jasper
Lufkin-Hudson

District 21
Bellville
Caldwell
Giddings
La Grange
Navasota
Smithville

District 22
Houston-Furr
Houston – Harmony Sch for Sci
Houston – Kashmere
Houston – Liberty
Houston – Scarborough
Houston – Sterling
Houston – Washington
Houston – Wheatley
Houston – Worthington
Yzaguirre Sch for Success

District 23
Cleveland
Cleveland – Tarkington
Coldspring – Oakhurst
Huffman – Hargrave
Liberty
Shepherd
Splendora

District 24
Beaumont – Harmony Sch for Sci
Bridge City
Hamshire-Fannett
Little Cypress – Mauriceville
Orangefield
Silsbee
Sour Lake – Hardin
West Orange – Stark

Meet Headquarters

Headquarters for the meet will be located in the atrium area part of Smith Hutson Building adjacent to Room 132. Someone will be available at headquarters throughout the meet to give assistance and answer questions. Results of all academic contests will be posted at the headquarters as results become available. Results will also be available on the UIL website.

Registration

There will be no formal registration for participants, as they will have been certified prior to the meet through the UIL Spring Meet Online System. The director of each event will have a list of official participants for the individual contest. Contestants and coaches should report directly to the competition room at least 30 minutes in advance of the time set for beginning the contests for roll call. A strict time schedule will be followed. Late students will be replaced by the district's alternate.

Hospitality Room for Sponsors

The hospitality room for sponsors with coffee, donuts and orange juice will be provided 7:30 a.m. till 11:00 a.m in:
  -Smith Hutson Building Room 132
  - Humanities and Social Science Room
  - Lee Drain Room

The Lowman Student Center will be open for breakfast and lunch.

Alternates & Substitutions

If a contestant qualifying in a meet is unable to compete in the regional meet, the superintendent or designated administrator of that school **must notify Debbi Hatton (Regional Director) and the school of the next place winner in the contest**. A list of absent contestants from each academic event will be reported to the state UIL office.

Alternates listed on the roster from the same district, as the contestant unable to compete is the only alternate that can be seated in the slot. If there is no alternate present from the district, then the spot will not be filled.

A substitution form can be found on page 29 or on the UIL website.

If a student is late for the contest and the contest director seats the alternate, the late student will be disqualified.

A school may substitute ONLY ONE member of a team. If a school needs to substitute more than one member, then the district's alternate team becomes eligible. If the alternate team is not present, then the district will not be represented by a team.

Wildcard Entries

The district's highest scoring second-place team in science, computer science, current events, accounting, calculator applications, literary criticism, mathematics, number sense, and spelling and vocabulary shall be advanced to the regional contest as a wildcard team. Districts should report scores for **all** teams. Advancing wildcard teams will be posted on the UIL web site. Schools will **NOT** be notified individually. **Academic coordinators and coaches are responsible for checking advancing wildcard teams.**

Verification Periods

Every contest will have a 15-minute verification period prior to posting the final results. The verification period time and location will be announced by the contest director during the event roll call.

A copy of the unofficial results, scores/rank/test papers will be provided to coaches/sponsors during the verification period. If a school does not have a coach/sponsor presence during the contest, an adult alternate may be appointed to review the results. All protest MUST be raised during the verification period. Coaches/sponsors who miss the verification period forfeit the opportunity to raise issues with the results.

After the verification period is closed and/or all protest have been resolved, the results will be certified as official and awards will be distributed.

Protest Committee

A protest stemming from issues other than event results should be filed with the Regional Academic Director. To file a protest, a school's representative must place the protest in writing as per CCR guidelines and submit it to Debbi Hatton.

A protest committee consisting of Debbi Hatton and the district directors in attendance will be convened to review the dispute. This committee will have jurisdiction only over disputes arising from contest administration and not over event results.

Contest Materials & Medals

At the close of the verification period, the school/district's coach/sponsor should take their students materials including medals. Materials not picked up during the verification period will be retained for one week. If a situation arises that requires a school to leave prior to the verification period, it must provide a postage paid self-addressed envelope or box to Debbi Hatton.

Awards

A Regional Academic Championship trophy will be awarded at the conclusion of the academic meet. All awards will be distributed by the contest director following the conclusion of the contests. Awards will be presented to winning participants, teams and schools as follows:

Academic Events
Individual medals in each event will be awarded. Team medals in calculator applications, number sense, current issues, social studies, mathematics, accounting, literary criticism, spelling and vocabulary, current issues and events, and computer science will be awarded for first place.

One-Act Play
Individual medals will be presented to Best Actor, Best Actress, a maximum of 8 All Star Cast members and Honorable Mention All-Star Cast members. Plaques will be presented to the 2 advancing plays and gold medals per advancing company.

Entry Fees

All District Directors will be billed via invoice for regional contest fees. The fees will **total $3300 per district** ($1400 for Academics and $1900 for Athletics). These fees do not include OAP.

Each District Director will be responsible for sending payment to Dr. Max Coleman for the **entire** amount by **April 13, 2015**. One check should be cut for **both** Academics and Athletics.

District Directors are responsible for making arrangements with District schools for the fee payment.

For information concerning the OAP fees contact Dr. Jerry Ivins, Contest Director, 281-542-2039 or e-mail him at jerry.ivins@sjcd.edu .

Directions to Sam Houston State University

From Interstate 45 (Houston or Dallas)

- Take Exit 116
- Follow Hwy 190 East
- Right at the Courthouse onto Sam Houston Avenue
- Left on Bowers Boulevard
- Immediately turn left into the Faculty/Staff Parking lot entrance or turn right into student parking

From East (Trinity/Livingston/Nacogdoches)

- Follow Hwy 190 West to downtown Huntsville
- Left at Courthouse onto Sam Houston Avenue
- Left on Bowers Boulevard
- Immediately turn left into the Faculty/Staff Parking lot entrance or turn right into student parking

From West (College Station / Austin)

- Take Hwy 30 East
- Cross over Interstate 45 and it turns into Hwy 190 East
- Follow Hwy 190 East to downtown Huntsville
- Right at Courthouse onto Sam Houston Avenue
- Left on Bowers Boulevard
- Immediately turn left into the Faculty/Staff Parking lot entrance or turn right into lot

Motel Accommodations

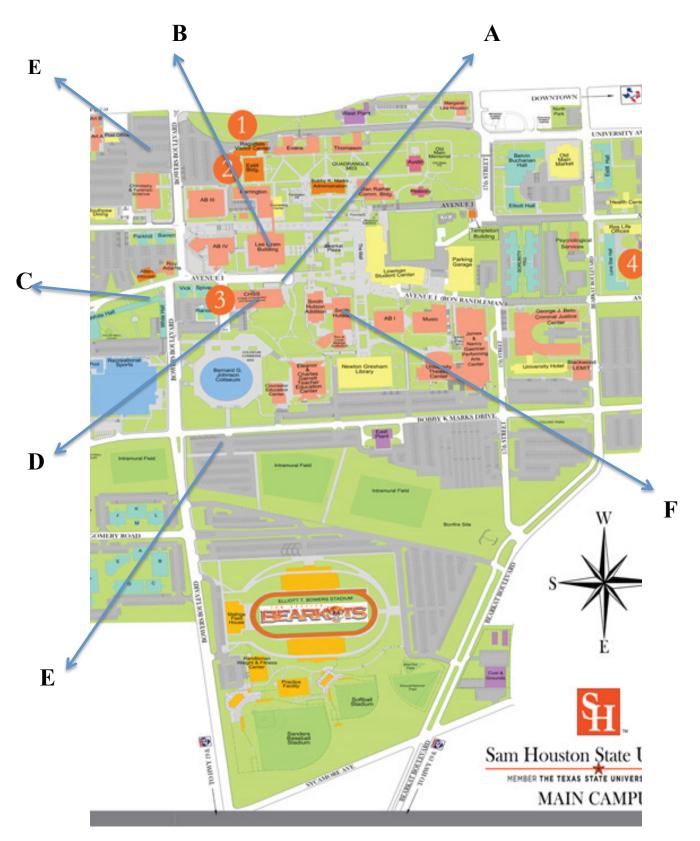| MOTEL	STREET ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
University Hotel	SHSU Campus	936-291-2151
Holiday Inn Express	148 S I-45	936-293-8800
La Quinta Inn	I-45 at Hwy 30	936-295-6454
Days Inn & Suites	I-45 at Hwy 30	936-438-8400
Sam Houston Place	I-45 at FM 1374	936-435-0409
Comfort Inn Suites	I-45 at FM 1374	936-436-9600
Best Western	201 W Hill Park Cir	936-295-9000
Hampton Inn (NEW)	I-45 at	

Area Restaurants
(SH Student Selected & Approved)

Close to Campus

Farm House (American)
City Hall (American)
Humphrey's (Burgers & Pasta)
Toasted (Sandwiches & Burgers)
Pita Pit (Sandwiches)
Taco Bell (Chain)
Sonic (Chain)
McDonalds (Chain)
Jack-in-the-Box (Chain)

Close to I-45

Yummy Yummy (Chinese – Make your own stir-fry - #1 Favorite)
Chilis (American)
Ihop (Breakfast)
Rodeo (Mexican)
Starbucks (Coffee & Sandwiches)
Olive Garden (Italian)
5-Guys (Burgers)
El Chicos (Mexican)
Whataburger (Burgers)
Banderas (American)
China Buffet (Chinese)
McDonalda (Chain)
Sonic (Chain)
Golden Corral (Buffet)

A – Student Drop Off   E – Bus Parking
B – Lee Drain   F – Smith Hutson
C – White Hall   G – Lowman Student Union
D – Humanities & Social Sciences

Accounting
Sanjay Mehta, Director
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
11:00 am	Roll Call	Smith Hutson	308
11:30 am	Event Begins	Smith Hutston	308
3:30 pm	Verification of Results	Smith Hutson	309

- The coach/sponsor of the district's 1st place student will serve as the district's grader for the contest. The name of the district's grader should be submitted on the form found on page 29.
- If a district's designated grader is unable to attend the competition, the coach/sponsor of the second place contestant will serve as the grader from that district.
- Graders will be expected to review the exam to verify the official key prior to grading.
- Graders must be present during roll call.
- Graders will not grade entries from their districts.

Calculator Applications
Edward Swim, Director
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
8:30 am	Event Set Up & Roll Call	Smith Hutson	138
9:00 am	Event Begins	Smith Hutson	138
Noon	Verification of Results	Smith Hutson	139

- The grading room will be CLOSED except to designated district graders.
- The coach/sponsor of the district's 1st place student will serve as the district's grader for the contest. The name of the district's grader should be submitted on the form found on page 29.
- If a district's designated grader is unable to attend the competition, the coach/sponsor of the second place contestant will serve as the grader from that district.
- Graders will be expected to review the exam to verify the official key prior to grading.
- Graders must be present during roll call.
- Each paper will be graded twice and papers contending to place will be graded a third time.
- A head grader will be selected from the districts' designated graders.
- The head grader will grade all potential placing papers.
- Graders will not grade entries from their districts.

Computer Applications
Gurinder Mehta, Director
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
9:00 am	Event Set Up & Roll Call	Smith Hutson	338
10:00 am	Event Begins	Smith Hutson	338
12:30 pm	Verification of Results	Smith Hutson	337

- Each contestant must have a grader. The name of the district's grader should be submitted on the form on page 29.
- Graders will be expected to review the exam to verify the official key prior to grading.
- Graders must be present during roll call.
- Graders will not grade entries from their districts.
- Each grader must bring their UIL Computer Application Handbook and a calculator to the grading room.
- If contestants in Computer Applications wish to use bookstands, they must furnish it.
- This event is being held in rooms with stationary tables and non-adjustable chairs.
- Any equipment necessary for adjusting chair height must be furnished by the contestant.

Computer Science Events
Gary Smith, Director
Friday, April 24

Time	Event	Place	Room
4:00 pm	Roll Call & Set Up	White Hall	120
5:00 pm	Programming Contest	White Hall	120
TBA	Verification of Results		

- Each team should bring one computer per team with Java compiler pre-installed.
- Each team should bring an extension cords.
- Bring printer, only if you need one.
- The contest will use a closed network utilizing the PC^2

Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
1:00 pm	Roll Call	Lee Drain	402
1:30 pm	Written Test	Lee Drain	403
4:00 pm	Verification of Results	Lee Drain	403

- The coach/sponsor of the district's 1st place student will serve as the district's grader for the contest. The name of the district's grader should be submitted on the form found on page 29.
- If a district's designated grader is unable to attend the competition, the coach/sponsor of the second place contestant will serve as the grader from that district.
- Graders will be expected to review the exam to verify the official key prior to grading.
- Graders must be present during roll call.

Current Events
Paul Allen, Director
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
8:00 am	Roll Call	Humanities & Social Sci	206
8:30 am	Event Begins	Humanities & Social Sci	206
Noon	Verification of Results	Humanities & Social Sci	210

- The grading room will be CLOSED except to designated district graders.
- The coach/sponsor of the district's 1st place student will serve as the district's grader for the contest. The name of the district's grader should be submitted on the form found on page 29.
- If a district's designated grader is unable to attend the competition, the coach/sponsor of the second place contestant will serve as the grader from that district.
- Graders will be expected to review the exam to verify the official key prior to grading.
- Graders must be present during roll call.
- A head grader will be selected from the districts' designated graders.
- The head grader will grade all potential placing papers.
- Graders will not grade entries from their districts.

Journalism Events
Marcus Funk, Director
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
10:30 am	Roll Call – Newswriting	Smith Hutson	108
11:00 am	Event Begins	Smith Hutson	105
11:45 am	Roll Call – Feature Writing	Smith Hutson	108
12:15 pm	Event Begins	Smith Hutson	105
1:15 pm	Roll Call – Editorial Writing	Smith Hutson	108
1:45 pm	Event Begins	Smith Hutson	105
2:00 pm	Verification – Newswriting	Smith Hutson	133
2:30 pm	Roll Call – Headline Writing	Smith Hutson	108
3:00 pm	Event Begins	Smith Hutson	105
	Verification – Feature Writing	Smith Hutson	133
4:00 pm	Verification – Editorial Writing	Smith Hutson	133
4:30 pm	Verification – Headline Writing	Smith Hutson	133

- Students may elect to use a computer for News, Feature and Editorial writing.
- Writing events will be held in the computer lab.
- Technical support will be provided by SHSU.

Students in multiple events may have coach/sponsor do roll call

Literary Criticism
Linda Cook, Director
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
11:00 am	Roll Call	Humanities & Social Sci	220
11:30 am	Event Begins	Humanities & Social Sci	220
3:00 pm	Verification of Results	Humanities & Social Sci	226

- The grading room will be CLOSED except to designated district graders.
- The coach/sponsor of the district's 1st place student will serve as the district's grader for the contest. The name of the district's grader should be submitted on the form found on page 29.
- If a district's designated grader is unable to attend the competition, the coach/sponsor of the second place contestant will serve as the grader from that district.
- Graders must be present during roll call.
- Each essay will be graded by two graders. Graders will not grade entries from their districts.
- In cases of ties, graders from districts not involved will judge the essay to break the tie

Mathematics
Brian Loft, Director
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
2:00 pm	Roll Call	Lee Drain	321
2:30 pm	Event Begins	Lee Drain	321
5:00 pm	Verification of Results	Lee Drain	327

- The coach/sponsor of the district's 1st place student will serve as the district's grader for the contest. The name of the district's grader should be submitted on the form found on page 29.
- If a district's designated grader is unable to attend the competition, the coach/sponsor of the second place contestant will serve as the grader from that district.
- Graders will be expected to review the exam to verify the official key prior to grading.
- Graders must be present during roll call.
- Graders will not grade entries from their districts.

Number Sense

Tom Davis, Director
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
8:00 am	Roll Call	Lee Drain	321
8:30 am	Event Begins	Lee Drain	321
10:00 pm	Verification of Results	Lee Drain	327

- The coach/sponsor of the district's 1st place student will serve as the district's grader for the contest. The name of the district's grader should be submitted on the form found on page 29.
- If a district's designated grader is unable to attend the competition, the coach/sponsor of the second place contestant will serve as the grader from that district.
- Graders will be expected to review the exam to verify the official key prior to grading.
- Graders must be present during roll call.
- Graders will not grade entries from their districts.

One-Act Play

Dr. Jerry Ivins, Contest Manager

For information concerning the OAP competition, contact Dr. Jerry Ivins at:
Phone: 281-542-2039; Email: jerry.ivins@sjcd.edu ; Fax: 281-542-2040

Ready Writing

Doug Krienke, Director
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
8:00 am	Event Set Up & Roll Call	Humanities & Social Sci	130
8:00 am	Event Begins	Humanities & Social Sci	130
2:00 pm	Verification of Results	Humanities & Social Sci	140

- This contest will be conducted in a computer lab.
- Technical support will be provided by SHSU.
- Any equipment necessary for adjusting chair height must be furnished by the contestant.
- Essays will be graded by three hired judges.

Science
Joan Hudson & Donovan Haines, Co-Directors
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
11:00 am	Roll Call	Smith Hutson	128 – Mafrige Audi
11:30 am	Event Begins	Smith Hutson	128 - Mafrige Audi
4:00 pm	Verification of Results	Smith Hutson	

- The coach/sponsor of the district's 1st place student will serve as the district's grader for the contest. The name of the district's grader should be submitted on the form found on page 29.
- If a district's designated grader is unable to attend the competition, the coach/sponsor of the second place contestant will serve as the grader from that district.
- Graders will be expected to review the exam to verify the official key prior to grading.
- Graders must be present during roll call.
- Graders will not grade entries from their districts.

Social Studies
Sanjay Mehta, Director
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
1:30 pm	Roll Call	Smith Hutson	306
2:00 pm	Event Begins	Smith Hutson	306
5:30 pm	Verification of results	Smith Hutson	307

- The coach/sponsor of the district's 1st place student will serve as the district's grader for the contest. The name of the district's grader should be submitted on the form found on page 29.
- If a district's designated grader is unable to attend the competition, the coach/sponsor of the second place contestant will serve as the grader from that district.
- Graders will be expected to review the exam to verify the official key prior to grading.
- Graders must be present during roll call.
- Graders will not grade entries from their districts.

Spelling
Tracy Bilsing & Carol Nardone, Co-Directors
Saturday, April 25

Time	Event	Place	Room
11:00 am	Roll Call	Smith Hutson	134
11:30 am	Event Begins	Smith Hutson	134
3:00 pm	Verification of results	Smith Hutson	135

- The coach/sponsor of the district's 1st place student will serve as the tab room personnel or the contest. The name of the district's representative should be submitted on the form found on page 29.
- If a district's representative is unable to attend the competition, the coach/sponsor of the second place contestant will serve from that district.
- Representatives must be present during roll call.
- During the event, the representatives from two districts will serve as verifiers, while the rest will serve as contestant monitors. Once the event is completed the district representatives will serve as graders.
- Graders will not grade entries from their districts.

Speaking Events
_____ Director

Monday, April 13 – All PRO/ POE Verification, Judging & Timekeeper forms must be received by Debbi Hatton.

Friday, April 24

3:30 pm	Roll Call for L/D Debate	Lee Drain 215
4:00 pm	Round 1 L/D Debate	
5:00 pm	Round 2 L/D Debate	Lee Drain
6:15 pm	Round 3 L/D Debate	Lee Drain
7:30 pm	Verification for LD Debate Out-rounds	Lee Drain 431
8:00 pm	Quarter Final Round – L/D Debate	Lee Drain

Saturday, April 25

8:00 am	Roll call for Prose/Poetry	Lee Drain 215
	Prose/Poetry Prelim Round	Lee Drain
9:00 am	Semi-final round Lincoln-Douglas Pairings released	Lee Drain 431
9:30 am	Lincoln-Douglas Semi- Finals	Lee Drain 204 & 205
10:30 am	Roll Call for Informative/Persuasive	Lee Drain 215
	Verification – Prose & Poetry results	Lee Drain 431
11:00 am	Informative/Persuasive Draw will begin	Lee Drain 215
11:30 am	Informative/Persuasive Speak	Lee Drain
1:30 am	Prose/Poetry/LD Debate Finals	Lee Drain 204, 205, 207, 22
	Verification – Informative / Persuasive results	Lee Drain 431
3:00 pm	Informative/Persuasive Finals Draw	Lee Drain 215
3:30 pm	Informative/Persuasive Final Speak	Lee Drain 207, 220
	Verification – Prose / Poetry results	Lee Drain 431
5:00 pm	Verification – Informative / Persuasive	Lee Drain 431
	Top Speech School Plaque award	Lee Drain 431

2015 RAC/TAB ROOM MEMBERS

17 — High School
18 - – High School
19 - - High School
20- – High School
21- – High School
22-— High School
23- – High School
24-— High School

TAB ROOM

• A **CLOSED** tab room will be staffed by the Regional Advisory Committee.

DISTRICT JUDGES & TIMEKEEPERS

• Each **DISTRICT** MUST supply one Prose judge, one Poetry judge, one Informative judge and one Persuasive Speaking judge.
• Each **SCHOOL** qualifying a Lincoln Douglas Debater to the regional meet MUST supply <u>one</u> LD judge.
• Each district must supply one timekeeper for the Pro/Poe (8:00am) and Inf/Per (11:00)
• rounds for a total number of time keeper per district = 2.

LINCOLN-DOUGLASS DEBATE

• The first two rounds will be randomly preset. The third round will be power matched
•   Hi/Hi off the results from the first two rounds.
• Any debater receiving a bye will be randomly selected.
• Each prelim round will have a single judge. A panel of three judges will adjudicate semi
•   and final rounds. Every attempt will be made to panel Quarter-final rounds but this
•   cannot be guaranteed.
• Room assignments will be posted with the pairings.
• Quarter-finals round will be held on Friday evening following verification.
• A consolation round in L/D Debate to determine the third place winner will be conducted
•   during the Final Round of debate on Saturday

INTERPRETATION – PROSE AND POETRY

• Each competitor must be present at the roll call. Individuals not present will be replaced by an alternate representing the district
• Performance categories will be drawn at the close of roll call.
• All efforts will be made to ensure the prelim and final rounds be judged by a panel. This is pursuant on each district providing judges for the contest and is not guaranteed.
• All competitors must submit documentation for verification using the verification forms found on pg 24-26 before April 13th. Documentation may be sent either as an attachment to an e-mail to Hatton@shsu.edu **OR** sent using traditional mail to:
  Debbi Hatton,
  Dept. of Mass Communication Box 2207
  Sam Houston State University
  Huntsville, TX 77340.

- See CCR, Prose & Poetry Handbook and the speech page of the UIL Web site located at **www.uil.utexas.edu/aca/speech** or acceptable formats of verification. Schools not providing correct verification will be disqualified.
- Results will be announced after the verification.

SPEAKING – INFORMATIVE AND PERSUASIVE

- Each competitor must be present at the roll call. Individuals not present will be replaced by an alternate representing their district. (Students also entered in events with adjacent time should have their coach answer roll call.)
- Draw location will be Lee Drain 215.
- Students should remain in the prep room until being escorted to the assigned competition room
- All efforts will be made to ensure the prelim and final rounds be judged by a panel.
- This is pursuant on each district providing judges for the contest and is not guaranteed.
- Draw order for the final round will be modified if students are cross-entered.
- Results will be announced after the verification.

FORMS

Poetry and Prose Documentation

Please read the directions carefully and provide a completed documentation form as coversheet for *each* advancing student including the district's alternate. On or before April 13th either send the materials as attachments to Hatton@shsu.edu (preferred method) or mail a copy of the form and materials to:

> Debbi Hatton
> Sam Houston State University
> Dept of Mass Communication Box 2207
> Huntsville, TX 77340

Please circle your district number on the documentation form.

Please provide sponsor's information. We will use this to confirm that we have received your material.

Please Do **NOT** send copies of the poetry or the prose scripts. We only need documentation!
POETRY
> **-** Contestant form (pg 24)
> -Table of contents & Book Cover or Library of Congress #
> -Page from Poetryfoundation.org with author's name

PROSE
> -Contestant form (pg 26)
> - No proof necessary but must have form

Please send only the page(s) of the table of contents on which the title(s) of the literary piece(s) is printed: Do **NOT** send all the table of contents pages.

Please **circle or highlight** the pertinent information on each page; e.g., the title on a page of the table of contents & Author name on the poetryfoundation.org

Please note that this process is an effort to facilitate contest start-up; the contestant should bring **ALL** documentation to the regional contest.

Effort will be made, *but it is not guaranteed*, to catch any shortcomings in documentation during the early part of regional week (so send it early). It is the contestant's, and only the contestant's, responsibility to be certain that documentation for *both* categories is in place on the morning of the contest. Students will **NOT** be allowed to perform without verification

Thank you!

POETRY VERIFICATION SHEET

Contestant's Name:

Is contestant the district's alternate?   YES   NO

District Number: (17)   (18)   (19)   (20)   (21)   (22)   (23)   (24)

School Name:

Sponsor's Name:

Sponsor's Email:

Sponsor's Cell Phone #:

Category A- Journey Through Time

The goal of this category is to examine a decade(s) and/or a social/political movement. In this category, the contestant shall perform a program centered on a time period and/or movement such as *but not limited to*: The Roaring 20's, The Great Depression, Animal Rights, Anti-War, Apartheid, Arab Spring, Black Consciousness, Chicano Movement, Civil Rights, Human Rights or Women's Liberation. The thematic program shall include at least two poems or excerpts of poems by two or more poets. Poems shall be published in hard copy.

Documentation Requirements – Sent by April 13th
In order to meet category restrictions, the contestant must provide proof that their selection is published in hard copy which may be provided by submitting the original source, a photo copy of the text, OR book cover and table of contents, OR copy of Library of Congress On-line cataloguing plus the table of contents.

Time Period and/or Movement:

Poem 1 Title:

    Title of Hard Copy:

Poem 2 Title:

    Title of Hard Copy:

Category B – Journey with Poets

The contestant shall perform a poem, multiple poems or excerpts of poems, written by one or more poets listed on the website *PoetryFoundation.org*. Poetry not appearing on *PoetryFoundation.org* may be used as long as the poems are written by the poet(s) found on *PoetryFoundation.org*. Blogs, essays, prose and other non-poetic material found on this website shall not be used. If using multiple poems, the contestant may weave the program or may incorporate verbal and/or nonverbal transitions. If the program is woven, it shall be stated in the introduction. The poet(s) used in this category shall not be used in Category A of poetry.

Documentation Requirements – Sent by April 13th

    1) Print out of page from PoetryFoundation.org page and circle/highlight the poet's work the student will perform.

Poem 1 Title: _____

Author's Name: _____

Poem 2 Title: _____

Author's Name: _____

Poem 3 Title: _____

Author's Name: _____

Poem 4 Title: _____

Author's Name: _____

PROSE VERIFICATION SHEET

Contestant' Name:

Is contestant the district's alternate?   YES   NO

District's Number: (17)   (18)   (19)   (20)   (21)   (22)   (23)   (24)

School's Name:

Sponsor's Name:

Sponsor's Cell Phone:

Sponsor's Email:

Category A: Inspiring My Journey

The goal of this category is to explore the concept of past or present heroes/heroines or survivors.   The contestant shall perform a single prose selection. The selection may be fiction or non-fiction, written by one author or a collaborative work by two or more authors or written anonymously. The introduction should be used to define the contestant's idea of a hero/heroine or survivor. The selection should reflect these inspirational qualities. The literary work for this category *may include but is not limited to* short stories, myths, legends, folk tales, science fiction, memoirs and novels. The selection shall not include speeches or plays. The author used in this category shall not be used in category B of prose.

Hero/Heroine or Survivor:

Selection Title:

Source of Selection

Author's Name:

Category B: Expanding the Journey

The goal of this category is to develop a thematic program using different types of literature. The contestant shall read a minimum of two but no more than four sources; however, the majority of the program must be prose in nature. *For this category only*, prose includes fiction, nonfiction, news sources, speeches and essays. In addition, for one of the sources, contestants may use a script from a movie, documentary, television show or movie, radio show or play (see limitations below). The intent of this category is not to encourage originally authored material but to give the contestant the freedom of expanding prose to include different types of literature. Contestants shall not use poetry, song lyrics, musicals, plays written in verse or novels in verse. The selections may be woven. Original transitions may be used. Thematic programs may include, *but are not limited to*: social/cultural issues, archetypes or individuals. The introduction shall state the type of literature used and include all titles. Also, the thematic significance of the program should be included. If the program is woven, the contestant shall state it in the introduction. Anonymous authors may be used. The author(s) used in this category shall not be used in Category A of prose.

Documentation Requirements – Sent by April 13th

Program Theme: _____

    1. Selection Title: _____

    Type of Lit: _____

    2. Selection Title: _____

    Type of Lit: _____

    3. Selection Title: _____

    Type of Lit: _____

    4. Selection Title: _____

    Type of Lit: _____

Judges for the Regional Speech Contest

EACH District's Chair (the person responsible for hosting Speech Contests) should submit the following form to Debbi Hatton Hatton@shsu.edu before April 13th. It is recommended that the information be gathered at the close of the district meet from the coaches of the advancing students.

PROSE/POETRY/INFORMATIVE/PERSUASIVE
To ensure all Speech contestants at the regional tournament are provided their best opportunity to advance to the state competition, the RAC has decided to panel the preliminary rounds of PRO/POE/INF/PER. In order to carry this out, each **DISTRICT** is required to provide one preliminary judge for each event. A judge may cover two events that do not occur simultaneously. For example Mary may serve as the district's judge for Prose and Informative but not Poetry.

L/D DEBATE
To ensure an adequate pool of L/D judges, each **SCHOOL** competing in the regional tournament must supply ONE judge for preliminary rounds. Judges from schools advancing to out-rounds will be expected to be available for one round past their student's drop. For example if Tim advances into the quarter-finalist round but loses, the judge from Tim's school is expected to be available to adjudicate both the quarter and semi-final rounds. Every attempt will be made to panel quarter-final rounds but this is not guaranteed. Debate judges may also serve as INF/PER judges.

TIMEKEEPERS
Each district MUST supply ONE timekeeper for 8:00-9:30am (Pro/Poe) and ONE timekeeper for 11:30am-1:00pm (Inf/Per). SHSU will supply stopwatches and time cards.

District's Number: (17)   (18)   (19)   (20)   (21)   (22)   (23)   (24)

Contact Person's Name:_____

Contact email_____ **Contact Phone #**_____

District's Judge for:
Prose:_____ School_____

Poetry:_____ School_____

Informative:_____ School_____

Persuasive:_____School_____

District's L/D Judges
Judge 1:_____School_____

Judge 2:_____School_____

Judge 3:_____School_____

District's Timekeepers
8:00-9:30am   Time Keeper _____   School_____

11:30-1:00   Time Keeper _____   School_____

Graders for the Regional Tournament

EACH District's Chair (the person responsible for hosting the district tournament) should submit the following form to Debbi Hatton Hatton@shsu.edu before April 13th. It is recommended that the information be gathered at the close of the district meet from the coaches/sponsors of the **FIRST PLACE** advancing students. District graders should be present during the event's roll call.

District's Number: (17)   (18)   (19)   _(20) _(21) _ (22) _ (23) ___(24)

District Chair's Name:_____

Contact email_____ **Contact Phone #**_____

District's Grader for:

Accounting: _____ School_____

Calculator App:_____School_____

Computer App:_____ School_____

Computer (Programming):_____School_____

Computer (Exam):_____School_____

Current Events:_____ School_____

Lit Crit:_____ School_____

Math:_____School_____

Number Sense:_____School_____

Social Studies:_____School_____

Spelling:_____School_____

NEED A SUBSTITUTION FORM (PDF ON WEBPAGE WILL NOT TRANSFER)