

Bi-District Planning

2024-2025 OAP Calendar

Deadlines	OAP Activities
August 1, 2024	State, Region and Area Judges Posted
August 31, 2024	Bi-District Judges Submitted to the State
September 7, 2024	Bi-District Judges Posted
August 10, 2024	First Day for OAP Planning Meetings
April 3, 2025	Last Day to Hold and Certify Bi-District Results. District and Bi-District OAP must be completed on or before April 4, 2024 as long as it does not conflict with either Academic Meet and the CX Debate State Meet within your conference.
April 7-12, 2025	Area OAP Meets
April 23 – April 26, 2025	Regional Meets
May 12-14; 19-21, 2025	State OAP Meet

Planning a Bi-District Meet

1. The Spring Meet Chair for each UIL District needs to designate a Bi-District representative by June 1, 2024.
2. That person shall register with the UIL by June 1, 2024. The Bi-district representation form can be found on the Bi-District page at the UIL website.
3. The representatives representing the two districts assigned to the bi-district contest shall confer and schedule the meet. This must be done prior to **August 31**. The bi-district contact list and pairings can be found on the Bi-District page at the UIL website.
4. Each district has been assigned a specific year to serve as host.
 - a. That assignment may be deviated from by mutual agreement of both DEC's.
 - b. A neutral site may be used where adequate facilities are not available by mutual agreement of both DEC's.
 - c. The same district may host both years by mutual agreement of both DEC's.

5. The representatives shall decide on an entry fee for each school participating to cover the costs of judge(s), awards, printing, facility rentals, a neutral contest manager and other necessary expenses. Please inform Spring Meet Chair of decisions. The host site shall provide the Contest Manager from who have been certified for that year.
6. The two districts shall provide the **required adult timekeepers** for each contest. A representative from each district shall be used to time each of the timed elements of the contest. (i.e. One timer from each district times live music, setup, strike, running time, etc.) A single timer may time multiple elements.
7. A single critic judge or a panel may be used. If the two districts cannot come to a consensus, a coin flip or blind draw shall be used to determine the type of judging to be used.
8. The two representatives shall compile a list of preferred judges from their member schools. This may be done at a formal meeting or via e-mail. Strike lists are prohibited. This list, in order of preference, shall be given to the **Contest Manager**. The Contest Manager shall combine the lists by preference, first, followed by blind draw.
9. The Contest Manager shall contact and contract the judge(s) on behalf of the host.
 - a. The two Bi-district reps may allow the Contest Manager to make the judging choices.
 - b. Judges for Bi-District contests shall be contacted after the State, Region and Area panels are posted, no earlier than **JULY 31**.
10. The Contest Manager shall register the meet information on the online form found on the Bi-District page at the UIL website by **August 31**.