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The benefits of education and of useful knowledge, generally diffused through a community, are essential to the preservation of a free government.

SAM HOUSTON

Cultivated mind is the guardian genius of Democracy, and while guided and controlled by virtue, the noblest attribute of man. It is the only dictator that freemen acknowledge, and is the only security which freemen desire.

MIRABEAU B. LAMAR

School and community opinion should be so conditioned that every interschool contest dramatizes not only the reign of law but the reign of a higher law giving the Spirit of the rules precedence over the Letter, thus establishing a jurisdiction in which Conscience is the court of final appeal, empowered to confer the ultimate and most highly valued awards.

Educational Competition
The Story of the University Interscholastic League
by ROY BEDICHEK
UIL Director, 1921-1948

2024-2025 OFFICIAL CALENDAR

The Official calendar for the 2024-2025 school year can be found on the UIL website at:
www.uiltexas.org/calendar

MESSAGE FROM THE
CHAIR OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Dear Students, Coaches, Administrators and Parents,

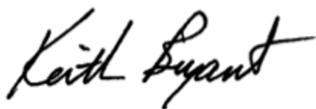
It is a great honor to serve as the Chair of the University Interscholastic League of the Legislative Council. The UIL is truly one of the finest organizations in the great State of Texas and in our nation, and our students are fortunate to have many opportunities to develop their talents and skills and compete with others across our state.

The UIL Legislative Council is made up of 32 regionally elected school administrators who are responsible for establishing rules and policies that govern competitions and contests in the areas of fine arts, academics, and athletics. The UIL has a rich history and continues to provide opportunities that are often the highlight of our students' educational experiences.

On behalf of the Council, I would like to extend our sincere thanks to Dr. Charles Breithaupt and his team who strive to provide fair and equitable opportunities for our students to learn teamwork, leadership, and perseverance as well as good sportsmanship. Dr. Breithaupt's vision and experience along with his dedicated team members have kept the UIL strong, responsive, and ready to serve all students across our state.

I would also like to thank each of you for your efforts and commitment to the UIL in providing these experiences for our students to enrich their education. I wish all of our competitors an exciting and rewarding year as they engage in healthy competition and strive for success!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keith Bryant". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "K".

Keith Bryant
Superintendent
Lubbock-Cooper ISD



Message from the President of
The University of Texas at Austin

Dear UIL Community,

I'm so proud that the "U" in "UIL" stands for "University" — and that the university to which it refers is UT Austin! The University Interscholastic League was founded here on the Forty Acres in 1910, and it has been going strong ever since. Today, UIL competitions are part of the fabric of growing up in Texas. Welcome to a long and storied tradition!

Healthy competition — whether athletic, artistic or academic — develops character traits such as critical thinking, self-discipline, and teamwork. All of these will serve Texas students well into their futures, long after high school graduation. In fact, these traits will help students for the rest of their lives. That is the whole point both of UIL — and indeed, a university education, which is why UIL and UT are such a perfect fit for each other.

To all students participating in UIL this year: I'm proud of you for putting yourselves out there and taking chances. Express yourselves and have fun. Win or lose, you'll hone your skills and acquire new ones. To teachers, directors, coaches, and administrators: Thank you for being mentors and advocates of these amazing students, and for all you do to keep this wonderful system running for their benefit.

Finally, if a UIL competition brings you to Austin, I hope you'll get to explore our campus and discover what UT has to offer. We're always looking for talented, energetic students who like to compete.

Have a great year, and best of luck in your competitions!

Sincerely yours — and, as we like to say, Hook 'em!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jay Hartzell".

Jay Hartzell
President

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The University Interscholastic League believes

that most students enjoy the pursuit of excellence and seek opportunities to test themselves against their own accomplishments and those of their peers,

that such opportunities are best provided through properly conducted and equitably administered competitive activities,

that the classroom is enriched by the flow of student energy into the more intensified arena of competition and back into the classroom.

Therefore, we reaffirm that students are the focus of our endeavor and deserve an opportunity to:

refine physical and mental aptitudes,

nurture self-realization and build self-confidence,

feel a sense of pride and dignity,

experience teamwork and develop a sense of fair play,

develop the ability to lead and the willingness to follow,

foster self-discipline and perseverance,

appreciate that rules, consistently applied, create order and discipline,

learn to accept graciously the decisions of judges and officials,

affirm self-worth in times of disappointment as well as adulation,

cultivate lifetime skills,

complement their class work with practice and performance,

have fun,

experience the joy of achieving their potential in a wholesome environment and,

discover that ultimately the true meaning of winning is doing one's best.

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5A	2027	Judd Marshall, Superintendent, Mount Pleasant ISD
6A	2027	Dr. Tory Hill, Superintendent, Channelview ISD
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Appointed	2024	Dr. Gary Bates, Superintendent, Fort Sam Houston ISD
Appointed	2024	Lisa Langston, Athletic Director, Fort Worth ISD
Appointed	2024	Silvia Salinas, Athletic Director, Del Valle ISD
Appointed	2024	Jeff Smith, Athletic Director, Prosper ISD

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HOW TO USE THE UIL CONSTITUTION AND CONTEST RULES

To use the UIL Constitution and Contest Rules most efficiently and effectively, try the following methods:

- (1) TRY THE TABLE OF CONTENTS—the table provides you with an overview of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*.
- (2) TRY THE INDEX—the index provides you with page number by subject matter.
- (3) Rules on which Official Interpretations have been issued by the State Executive Committee are cross referenced to Appendix I, which contains the Official Interpretations.
- (4) CALL THE UIL—Staff members are identified under UIL Administration, and in Appendix II.
- (5) Rule changes for the 2024-2025 school year are listed in Appendix V.

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