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Welcome to West Texas A&M University!!!

Dear UIL Sponsors and Participants:

Thank you for joining us at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, deep in the heart of the Texas Panhandle. The entire Buffalo community is excited and grateful for the opportunity to host the 2024 UIL Region 1-AA Spring Meet. We will provide your students an enjoyable experience at the University and will do whatever we can to make sure they excel in their competitions.

We are ready to welcome you and your students to our campus. WT has been honored with several campus beautification awards and last year was named the safest campus in Texas, so we believe you and your students will have an exceptionally good time while in Canyon.

The WTAMU UIL schedules and handbooks provide information on all aspects of the spring Academic and Athletic competitions. If you have further questions, please reach out to the specific director of the academic or athletic competition.

My goal, as the director of the regional spring meet, is to provide a well-organized event. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to reach me via email or by phone.

On behalf of the entire WT family, we wish you and your students the best of luck!

Sincerely,

Jessica Mallard
Regional Contest Co-Director
Dean, Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities
jmallard@wtamu.edu
(806) 651-2780 office
(806) 681-2537 cell
# REGIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## UIL REGIONAL DIRECTOR

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<th>Michael McBroom (co-director)</th>
<th>Dr. Jessica Mallard (co-director)</th>
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## CONTACT DIRECTORS

### LITERARY & ACADEMIC EVENTS DIRECTOR

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### SPEECH EVENTS AND LINCOLN DOUGLAS DEBATE DIRECTOR

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### ONE-ACT PLAY DIRECTOR

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### ATHLETICS DIRECTOR EVENTS

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General Information
We look forward to hosting your UIL contests! Academics information center is located on the lower level of the Jack B. Kelley Student Center (JBK.). Contests will take place in the lower level of the JBK, Classroom Center (CC) which is connected to the JBK and the Hastings Electronic Learning Center (HELC). This year the student gathering area will be in Legacy Hall of the JBK.

Dining while on campus
There is a Starbucks, convenience store, and food court in the Jack B. Kelly Student Center. The JBK Food Court has a variety of options, but operates cashless. Individuals that do not have debit cards can use cash to load a Gold Card from the Gold Card cash box located in the JBK Food Court area or they can use cash to purchase a pre-loaded $10 Gold Card from the University Bookstore (with the ability to add more to the balance from the machine). There is also Pizza Hut, Subway, and McDonald’s all within walking distance on 23rd street.

Schedule a Campus Tour!
We are excited to have you on campus and we want to showcase our newest facilities and share with you our programs. You can call (800) 99-WTAMU to schedule a tour or you can also visit our website to schedule an appointment online at www.wtamu.edu and under Info For: click on Future Students. There you will find the Schedule a Tour button and it will pull up a calendar with dates and times to schedule a tour.

Campus Police
West Texas A&M University Police Department (UPD) officers are certified Texas Peace Officers with jurisdiction granted by the Education Code to enforce local, state and federal laws. Made up of 18 full-time officers, their jurisdiction spans to any county where the Texas A&M University System owns, rents, or leases property.

Phone Numbers you may contact the UPD:
24hr Dispatch: 806-651-2300
24hr Fax: 806-651-2310
Parking Services: 806-651-2308
Lock Shop: 806-651-2145
Emergency: 911

Lost and Found
The Lost and Found Department is located in Room 104 across the hall from the University Police Department and Parking Services in the Old Sub Building at 301 23rd Street, Canyon, Texas 79106.

- Hours of operation are 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday.
- Closed weekends and holidays.

For assistance, please go to Parking Services or contact (806) 651-2309.

Website
For more information and announcements see the WTAMU UIL website: https://www.wtamu.edu/about/events/UIL/index.html
UIL REGIONAL SCHEDULE

Friday, April 26

8:00AM
LD roll call
Prose and Poetry verification
Number Sense
Ready Writing

8:30AM
LD- Round 1
Prose and Poetry Prelims
Current Issues & Event

9:00 AM
Calculator Applications
Computer Applications - set-up

9:30
LD Round 2

10:00 AM
Computer applications contest

10:30AM
Copy Editing

11:00AM
LD Round 3

12:00PM
Informative and Persuasive Draw
Spelling
Accounting
Science
News Writing
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DISTRICT PAYMENT FORM – 2024 REGION I, CONFERENCE AA

Each District Spring Meet Chair will send one check for the total academic fees for the district. Please complete the form and submit with your payment.

Payments are due by April 22, 2024

Name of District Chair: ___________________________________________________________
District #: __________ District Chair’s School: ___________________________________
Phone Number: _____________________ Email: ___________________________________

Please mail payments to:
Lacy Cannon
WTAMU Box 60754
Canyon, TX 79016

* Make checks payable to WTAMU

District Fees:
In order to expedite the payment process for the Region 1-AA UIL Spring Meet, the Regional Director has authorized the following flat fee schedule:

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Check all the events that apply:

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

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<th>DISTRICT # OR SCHOOL</th>
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Section 901 (a) of the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules*:

The Academic Contest ethics code shall carry the force of rule. Member school districts, member schools and/or covered school district personnel who violate any of the provisions of this code shall be subject to penalty.

(1) Participate in contests in the spirit of fairness and sportsmanship, observing all rules – both in letter and in spirit.

(2) Sponsor and advice individuals and teams without resorting to unethical tactics, trickery that attempts to skirt the rules, or any other unfair tactic that detracts from sound educational principles.

(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 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) Insure that UIL Academic district, regional and state meets receive precedence over non-qualifying contests or meets.

(10) School districts shall 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 knows that it will not compete at the next higher academic meet.
Contest No Shows
A list of absent contestants will be reported to the state UIL office from each academic event. It is vitally important that you notify the Regional Director in advance if a contestant will be unable to attend the regional competition. The UIL will take appropriate action to enforce the no-show notification requirement.

Withdrawal and Alternates
A school that withdraws a student from the Regional Meet is responsible for notifying the appropriate alternate and the Regional Director. Refunds of entry fees for withdrawals will not be made.

Tardiness
A student will not be allowed to enter a contest room late without prior permission from the contest director. No exceptions are made in Calculator Applications and Number Sense. If a contestant needs to leave early to go to another event, these arrangements (where permitted in the contest plan) MUST be made prior to the beginning of the contest.

ELIGIBILITY AND CERTIFICATION

Entries
No individual entry required. All academic entries are downloaded from the district results in the UIL Spring Meet online system. Fees should be paid by the District Executive Committee chair, not by individual schools, except for one-act play.

Eligibility
The eligibility of a student competing at the regional meet is the responsibility of the individual school.

Contest Results
It is the responsibility of the contestants, their sponsors, coaches and/or administrators to obtain contest results. Please plan to be present for awards for your event or have someone from your school present.
Hotel Information

Possible hotels that are within 20 minutes of WTAMU’s campus. The first three hotels are adjacent to campus and closest to West Texas A&M University.

Best Western Palo Duro Inn and Suites
2801 4th Ave
Canyon, TX  79015
806-655-1818

Holiday Inn Express and Suites
2901 4th Ave
Canyon, TX  79015
806-655-4445

Hampton Inn & Suites Canyon
3101 4th Ave
Canyon, TX  79015
(806) 452-0044

Comfort Suites
6318 Venture Dr.
Amarillo, TX  79110
806-576-3675

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Amarillo South
6701 Hollywood RD
Amarillo, TX  79119
806-352-1900

Staybridge Suites Amarillo – Western Crossing
36 Western Plaza Dr.
Amarillo, TX  79109
806-367-9660

Hyatt Place Amarillo West
8985 W. Amarillo Blvd.
Amarillo, TX  79124
806-310-2700
Hilton Garden Inn  
9000 I-40 W  
Amarillo, TX 79124  
806-355-4400

Towne Place Suites  
6807 I-40W  
Amarillo, TX 79106  
806-242-5777

Home2 Suites  
8251 W. Amarillo Blvd.  
Amarillo, TX 79124  
806-803-7777

SpringHill Suites  
2301 Cinema Dr.  
Amarillo, TX 79124  
806-381-3400

Hampton Inn & Suites West  
6901 I-40 West  
Amarillo, TX 79106  
806-467-9997

Holiday Inn Express & Suites  
8330 W Amarillo Blvd.  
Amarillo, TX 79124  
806-418-2505

Homewood Suites  
8800 I-40 W  
Amarillo, TX 79124  
806-355-2222

Drury Inn & Suites  
8540 I-40  
Amarillo TX 79106  
806-351-1111
Area accommodations and restaurants

Visit the Canyon Chamber of Commerce and you can go to https://www.canyonchamber.org/live-explore-canyon/#dineshop for events, restaurants and shopping locations for Canyon.

You may also visit the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce at https://www.amarillo-chamber.org for local shops, restaurants and more. We encourage you to go to https://www.amarillo-chamber.org/play.html for more detailed information on what is happening in Amarillo.