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Region IV-A

Region Handbook 2023

Academic Meet

Friday, 21 April 2023

Blinn College District

Brenham Campus

Brenham, Texas 77833

Academic Spring Meets Director

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Welcome to Blinn College—Brenham Campus

Please check this Handbook for updates, especially as we move into mid-April.

❖ Last updated 30 March 2023 ❖

The Brenham Campus has a new building—the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Innovation Building, designated as Building #40 on the two-dimensional maps (last page of this Handbook).

In the Academic Events Schedule, the building's name is abbreviated as STEI. Most of the competition scheduled in STEI will occur on the building's first floor.

Grading and verification for most of the contests scheduled in the STEI are also scheduled on the first floor. Ready Writing verification will occur in the Library.

*** Journalism NEW TIMES is scheduled in the Library.***

Please see the schedule that follows on the next two pages for complete information.

First Floor, Room 113	First Floor, Room 105	Other Contests
Number Sense	Current Issues & Events	Ready Writing 1 st , 106
Calculator Apps	Spelling & Vocabulary	
Computer Apps	Social Studies	Accounting 3 rd , 305
Science	Literary Criticism	
Computer Science (Written)		CS Programming TBA
Mathematics		

Please be considerate: respect social-distancing concerns.

Please do not gather near any of the competition rooms or the grading rooms, and please walk the hallways of both the STEI Building and Academic Building quietly.

Coaches: The Coaches' Hospitality Room has not been moved; it remains in the Student Center.

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ACADEMIC EVENTS SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, 21 April 2023

REGION IV, CONFERENCE A

Graders wanted and needed for Number Sense, Current Issues, Calculator Applications, Science, Spelling, Accounting, Social Studies, Mathematics, and Literary Criticism!

NOTE: The Academic Building, the Student Center, the Library and the STEI Building are numbered 21, 29, 20, and 40, respectively on the two-dimensional campus map.

EVENT	TIME	BUILDING and ROOM
LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE <small>ARRIVE EARLY</small>		
Roll Call/Distribute Pairing	7:10 a.m.	Academic Building 11
Round 1	7:30 a.m.	Academic Building and Library
Round 2	8:20 a.m.	Academic Building and Library
Round 3	9:30 a.m.	Academic Building various rooms
Ballot Verification	10:30 a.m.	Academic Building 13
Quarterfinals	10:45 a.m.	Academic Building various rooms
Ballot Verification & Semi-finals Announcement	11:45 a.m.	Academic Building 13
Semifinals	1:30 p.m.	Academic Building various rooms
Ballot Verification	2:15 p.m.	Academic Building 13
Final Round	2:30 p.m.	Academic Building TBA
Ballot Verification	3:15 p.m.	Academic Building 13
NUMBER SENSE	7:10 a.m.	STEI Building 113/115/117
Grading 7:45; verification follows at 8:30 a.m.		STEI Building 111
READY WRITING	8:00 a.m.	STEI Building 106
Verification	~ 2:00 p.m.	Library TBD
CURRENT ISSUES & EVENTS	8:00 a.m.	STEI Building 105
Grading (verification follows)	9:00 a.m.	STEI Building 104
CALCULATOR APPLICATIONS		
Setup	7:45 a.m.	STEI Building 113/115/117
Contest	8:15 a.m.	
Grading (verification follows)	9:00 a.m.	STEI Building 111
COMPUTER APPLICATIONS		
Setup	8:45 a.m.	STEI Building 113/115/117
Contest	9:20 a.m.	
Grading	COACH'S PRESENCE REQUIRED (verification follows) STEI 111	
POETRY INTERPRETATION	<small>documentation should be submitted seven days in advance; see forms on Website</small>	
Documentation Check	8:15 a.m.	Academic Building 10
Ballot Verification	10:45 a.m.	Academic Building 13
Announcement of Finalists	11:00 a.m.	Academic Building 13
Final Roll Call	1:30 p.m.	Academic Building 10
Ballot Verification	3:30 p.m.	Academic Building 13
PROSE INTERPRETATION	<small>documentation should be submitted seven days in advance; see forms on Website</small>	
Documentation Check	8:15 a.m.	Academic Building 10
Ballot Verification	10:45 a.m.	Academic Building 13
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EXTEMPORANEOUS INFORMATIVE SPEAKING drop files off at 10:45 a.m.; provide user name & password ⬅ ⬅ ⬅		
Roll Call	11:15 a.m.	Academic Building 11
Draw for Topics	11:30 a.m.	Academic Building 11
Ballot Verification	1:45 p.m.	Academic Building 13
Announcement of Finalists	1:45 p.m.	Academic Building 13
Finals: Draw for Topics	3:30 p.m.	Academic Building 11
Ballot Verification	5:30 p.m.	Academic Building 11
EXTEMPORANEOUS PERSUASIVE SPEAKING drop files off at 10:45 a.m.; provide user name & password ⬅ ⬅ ⬅		
Roll Call	11:15 a.m.	Academic Building 11
Draw for Topics	11:30 a.m.	Academic Building 11
Ballot Verification	1:45 p.m.	Academic Building 13
Announcement of Finalists	1:45 p.m.	Academic Building 13
Finals: Draw for Topics	3:30 p.m.	Academic Building 11
Ballot Verification	5:30 p.m.	Academic Building 11
JOURNALISM		
Holding Room for contestants and coaches		Library open area
Copy Editing	NEW TIME 10:45 a.m.	NEW TIME Library classroom
News Writing	NEW TIME 11:20 a.m.	NEW TIME Library classroom
Feature Writing	NEW TIME 12:20 p.m.	NEW TIME Library classroom
Editorial Writing	NEW TIME 1:30 p.m.	NEW TIME Library classroom
Headline Writing	NEW TIME 2:30 p.m.	NEW TIME Library classroom
Rolling verification: no earlier than 2:45		Library TBD
SCIENCE		
	11:20 a.m.	STEI Building 113/115/117
Grading (verification follows)	2:00 p.m.	STEI Building 111
SPELLING AND VOCABULARY		
	11:20 a.m.	STEI Building 105
Grading (verification follows)	12:10 p.m.	STEI Building 106
ACCOUNTING		
	11:20 a.m.	STEI Building 305 & 307
Grading (verification follows)	12:30 p.m.	STEI Building 309
COMPUTER SCIENCE		
Written Test	1:40 p.m.	STEI Building 113/115/117
Grading (verification follows)	3:10 p.m.	STEI Building 106 (unless announced otherwise)
Hands-on Set-up	3:45 p.m.	STEI Building 104 (unless announced otherwise)
Hands-on Dry Run	4:15 p.m.	STEI Building 104 (unless announced otherwise)
Hands-on Contest	4:45 p.m.	STEI Building 104 (unless announced otherwise)
SOCIAL STUDIES		
	2:30 p.m.	STEI Building 105
Grading (verification follows)	4:00 p.m.	STEI Building 106
MATHEMATICS		
	3:00 p.m.	STEI Building 113/115/117
Grading (verification follows)	3:45 p.m.	STEI Building 111
LITERARY CRITICISM		
	4:15 p.m.	STEI Building 105
Grading (verification follows)	5:45 p.m.	STEI Building 106

GENERAL INFORMATION

THE STUDENT CENTER

There is **NO** general check-in area or table. Your contacts are the individual contest directors, who can always find the meet director.

THE STEI BUILDING

—Meet Information—

The Student Center and STEI Building are both staging areas for all visiting contestants and their coaches; all events are held on the west side of campus, including in the new STEI Building.

The headquarters for the operation of all academic events is in the STEI Building's front foyer at the southeast corner of the first floor.

BLINN BOOKSTORE

The Blinn College Bookstore, located in the Blinn College Student Center, will be open on Friday, 22 April from 7:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday, 23 April from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

CAFETERIA & SNACK BAR

The Blinn College Brenham Campus Dining Hall's meal prices are listed below.

THE BOOKSTORE HAS DRINKS AND SNACKS.

Friday	Breakfast	7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	\$7.00
	Continental Breakfast	8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	\$7.00
	Lunch	11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	\$8.00
	Dinner	4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	\$7.75

Saturday The cafeteria is closed on Saturday, but the adjacent snack bar is open. Opening hours are abbreviated: 12 noon until 6:00 p.m.

HOSPITALITY ROOM

The hospitality room for our
UIL coaches and chaperones
(*NO* students)
is located at the northeast corner of the Student Center.

The snack bar is reserved for patrons using tables for snacking and dining. **Please do not use this facility as a waiting or staging area.**

Beverages, hamburgers, French fries, and fixins for build-your-own sandwiches are available.

Individuals may pay for their meals as they enter the dining hall, the Blinn College Brenham Campus Dining Hall can directly bill meals to the school, or the coach or chaperone may provide the cashier with a list of students in advance of their individual lunchtimes.

In addition, there are many commercial fast food facilities and restaurants located within two miles of the Blinn College campus.

ATM

An ATM is located in front of the Bullock Building on the corner of Prairie Lea Street and College Avenue.

LOST AND FOUND

The Student Center Reception Office (next to the mailboxes) serves as a lost and found center; otherwise, check with the awards table in the STEI Building.

MESSAGE CENTER

The headquarters for the operation of all academic events is in the STEI Building's front foyer at the southeast corner of the first floor. Information about the meet can be obtained there. There is no official registration center.

BLINN POLICE

The Blinn College Police Department is located in the Student Center. Call 979 830 4100 or 911.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Contestants with disabilities requiring accommodations should contact Mark Bernier at 979 251 4658 and present their letters from the UIL State Office, noting acceptable adaptations.

ENTRY INFORMATION

ENTRY FORMS

District meet academic directors will certify academic and one-act play results online. This will serve as each district's official entry form. Upon certification, the regional meet director will advance the qualified entries online.

ACADEMICS AND ONE-ACT PLAY

ELIGIBILITY

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

ENTRIES and CHANGES

Academic Events and One-Act Play

Mark Bernier
Spring Meet Regional Director
dibern@sbcglobal.net
979 251 4658 (*all* Academic contests communication)

See next page for
fee payment information.

The mailing address for both Academic and OAP Directors is

Mark Bernier
UIL Meet Director
% Blinn College
902 College Avenue
Brenham, Texas 77833

FEES

OVERVIEW

In order to simplify the accounting procedure for the Regional Meet entry fees, the Spring Meet District Chairperson for each UIL district represented in the region should send **one** check to cover all the high schools in his or her UIL district; this **one** check can cover all the entry fees for both the academic events and any One-Act Play entries; however, a separate check for the One-Act Play entries can be cut by the district chairperson, **OR** each high school advancing to regional One-Act Play can send its own OAP check. The Spring Meet District Chairperson (high school level) may then assess each member school in the UIL district according to each school's total number of contestants. Please include a Fee Form with check(s), which is found under a different link on the region-specific webpage. Invoices will be sent to each UIL District chairperson approximately four weeks before the regional meet.

ENTRY FEES PAYMENT

Blinn College District will bill each UIL District's lead high school.

→ **\$2400.00**

more information on the next page

All fees checks should be made payable to Blinn College and should be mailed to

Blinn College District
Attention: ACCOUNTING
902 College Avenue
Brenham, Texas 77833

FEES

DEADLINES

Academics postmarked by **17 April 2023**
One-Act Play postmarked by **17 April 2023**

All entry fees should be paid before participants compete.

**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 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.

ACADEMIC EVENTS FEES

FULL SLATE
(ACADEMIC ONLY)

\$2400.00

ONE CHECK
ONLY
FROM EACH
UIL DISTRICT

Each District Meet Chairperson handles all entry fees for his or her district and then bills respective high schools for the amount owed. The Chairperson should send the academic fees and One-Act Play fees once all pre-region competition has been certified. One check should be made to cover the full academic slate and another should cover the OAP fees for the UIL district's advancing plays, though, as stated above, each high school can send a check for its OAP entry. (See deadlines above.)

* How the member schools constituting the UIL district divide the \$2600.00 full slate fee among themselves is the business of the member schools within the district and the district's Spring Meet Chairperson.

ONE-ACT PLAY FEES

EACH ONE-ACT PLAY
\$600.00

A \$600 entry fee is required of each one-act play entered in the One-Act Play competition. Each school with a play advancing from area to region should remember to bring **ALL** the required paperwork, including the new **STANDARDS COMPLIANCE FORM**.

Note: Admission for the One-Act Play Contest is \$4.00 for students and \$8.00 for adults; however, individual members of the cast and crew will not be required to pay the cost of general admission to watch the other plays in the competition. Checks will be accepted.

Required Oral Interpretation Forms

Blinn College District UIL District and Region Meets

Natalia Hannath
Contest Director

Please send completed forms to **uilacademicsbrenham@gmail.com**

Please indicate both the contest and district *or* region number **in the email's subject field**;
e.g., Prose District 27-2A *or* Poetry Region 3-3A.

Do NOT send forms to Austin for either district or regional competition.

Please send completed forms *well before* the contest date so that documentation is in place before the contests start.

Every effort will be made to check the documentation and to contact the coach in a timely manner if a problem is discovered. Our goal is to ensure a smooth start of the contests; having the documentation in place and checked well before the date of the contest facilitates a good start to the contests and the meet.

Prose Documentation Forms

https://www.uiltexas.org/files/academics/speech/Interp_Prose_Form_22_23wWatermark.pdf

Poetry Documentation Forms

https://www.uiltexas.org/files/academics/speech/Interp_Poetry_Form_22_23wWatermark.pdf

UIL Oral Interpretation Webpage

<https://www.uiltexas.org/speech/oral-interp>

Mark Bernier
Spring Meets Director
Blinn College District

dibern@sbcglobal.net **NO** Oral Interpretation Forms!
979 2514658

UIL Payment Form
Regional Academic Meet
Region IV, Conference A, District _____
Spring 2023 (17 – 24)

**Blinn College District is once again pleased to host your
UIL Academic and One-Act Play Meet.**

Blinn College District requests that each UIL district—not each high school—**submit one check to cover all of the UIL district's academic entries.** The check should also cover any OAP regional qualifier(s); alternatively, in the case of OAP, the individual school(s) can send a check. (How the UIL district's member schools divide the \$2400.00 full slate fee among themselves is the business of the district's Spring Meet Chairperson and the member schools within that district.)

**Please complete this form and submit it with the payment
of academic events and OAP (if applicable) fees.**

Make check payable to Blinn College District

Mail to

Blinn College District
Attn: **ACCOUNTING**
902 College Avenue
Brenham, Texas 77833

All questions: contact

Mark Bernier
UIL Regional Director
979 251 4658
dibern@sbcglobal.net

Academic Meet (full slate) Fee

Total for academic entry (full slate of contestants is \$2400.00): \$_____

One-Act Play Fee(s)

One-Act Play Entry(s) \$600.00 per school: \$_____

Names of school(s) _____

Total amount sent to Blinn College District for Academic and OAP events \$_____

Submitted by _____

Associated with _____
school name

Contact information _____

MEMBER SCHOOLS

University Interscholastic League

Region IV, Conference A

Districts 25-32

District 25

Abbott
Aquila
Cranfills Gap
Gholson
Jonesboro
Mount Calm
Oglesby

District 26

Avalon
Bynum
Coolidge
Milford
Oakwood
Penelope
Trinidad

District 27

Apple Springs
Groveton Centerville
Kennard
Laneville
Longview UT Tyler Academy
Martinsville
Neches
Palestine UT Tyler Academy
Slocum
Tyler UT Tyler Academy
Wells

District 28

Brookeland
Burkeville
Chester
Chireno
Goodrich
High Island
Leggett
Spurger
Zavalla

District 29

Buckholts
Calvert
College Station College View
Dime Box
Fayetteville
North Zulch
Richards
Round Top-Carmine

District 30

Altair Rice Challenge
Austwell-Tivoli
McDade
Moulton
Nordheim
Pettus
Prairie Lea
Runge
Waelder

District 31

Barksdale Nueces Canyon
D'Hanis
Knippa
Leakey
Medina
Rocksprings
Utopia

District 32

Benavides
Bruni
Lasara
San Isidro
San Perlita
Tilden McMullen County

BLINN COLLEGE-BRENNHAM CAMPUS

