

Area III Public Speaking Info

Congratulations on your student(s) advancing to the area contest. We hope that this information will help make their area speaking experience a success. The in-person event will take place **Thursday, May 12th** for all prepared public speaking events and extemp at the Merrell Center in Katy ISD. The address is 6301 S. Stadium Road, Katy, TX 77494.

There will be no virtual accommodations this year.

The generic rotation will be published on Judging Card as soon as it is available. **All divisions will begin speaking at 9:30 AM. We will update the rotation as soon as all entries are in.**

*The following documents must be uploaded INDIVIDUALLY by **Thursday, May 5th at Midnight**, for all public speaking divisions. **Extemp is only responsible for registration.***

- 1. Manuscript (including cover sheet).**
- 2. Abstract**
- 3. Complete references**
- 4. Statement of originality**
- 5. SWCB consultation affidavit form (for Soil Stewardship only)**

*Per state rules, manuscripts will **NOT** be scored, but will be **reviewed to ensure speeches are in the correct divisions.***

If you have a student in two divisions, with the same rotation, please make a swap with someone in the rotation and notify us of that switch prior by Midnight on May 10th.

Extemp speakers will have their materials reviewed at check-in by a proctor starting at 8:45AM. The first extemp speaker will draw their topic at 9:00AM and be checked for official dress by that room's proctor. Speakers will continue to draw in 15 minute intervals.

Scoresheets and comments will be available to all coaches at the conclusion of the event. Results will be announced by the Area Officers on Friday, May 13th **at which time all results are final!**

Again, congratulations on making it to Area!! We wish each of you the best of luck. If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Kacal (amandakacal@katyisd.org) or Courtney Webb (cnwebb@alvinisd.net).

Sincerely,
Amanda & Courtney
Area III SDE Coordinators