

## 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 event will take place on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, the day before the Area III Convention, at the Blinn Campus in Brenham.

You may submit your paperwork any time between **9 AM and 10 AM** in the general speaking room – this room number is to be announced as soon as we know.

**If you feel checking in by this time is a problem, you may email the manuscript, bibliography and statement of originality to:**

**[deanafuchs@katyisd.org](mailto:deanafuchs@katyisd.org)**

**If you choose this option you must email it by Monday, May 14 at 5 PM.**

To properly check in, you should have:

- Statement of originality for ***ALL*** speeches except extemp.
- Signed affidavit for Soil and Water speakers.
- 3 copies of speech manuscripts for all speeches except extemp.
- A bibliography either attached to manuscripts or attached to statement of originality.
- Extemp resources will be checked as they enter writing room.
- Any missing paperwork not completed and turned in by 1 PM will result in disqualification. In other words – you forget the statement of originality – you have until 1 PM to turn it in or speaker will be placed last due to missing paperwork. Every opportunity is being made not to punish the student, but please get your paperwork in on time.

The first extemp speaker will draw their topic at 9:30am and speakers will continue to draw in 15 minute intervals. **All divisions will begin speaking at 10:00am.**

***If you have a student in two divisions please make a swap with someone in the rotation and notify us of that switch prior to the contest.***

Results will be announced at the Area Convention on Friday.

Again, congratulations on making it to Area!! We wish each of you the best of luck. If you have any questions, please contact Nikki Reed ([nikki.reed@fortbendis.com](mailto:nikki.reed@fortbendis.com)) or Dean Fuchs ([deanafuchs@katyisd.org](mailto:deanafuchs@katyisd.org)).