



2024 Academic Challenge Quiz Timeline

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“Promoting excellence in education
and showcasing the talents of all our youth”

Checklist	Dates and Deadlines	Notes	Contest
August to October			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Determine the Primary Contact (Submits Contest Registration; liaison for Group) Select Sponsors or Coaches for each of the contests your group plans to register. Their names and e-mails will be included in the registration for that contest. 	The Primary Contact is the main liaison. Coaches/Sponsors are first contacts for their specific contests only. ALL coordinate.	ALL
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ School/Group CONTEST Registration Opens - Register anytime after this date and preferably before October 14. Only 1 registration is needed for a School or Group. A Primary Contact will submit the School/Group Contest Registration and will notify ALL Coaches and Sponsors of their responsibilities for contests. 	Go to Academic Rodeo >Getting Started and click REGISTER link This is to register contests ONLY for your group.	ALL
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ IF you are interested in only one contest, check to see if others at your school are interested in other contests BEFORE you register. 		ALL
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ After the initial School/Group Contest Registration, adding or dropping contests is done using the ADD/DROP Form. 	A link to the ADD/DROP form is on the General Info page.	ALL
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Study the rules, deadlines, other documents and forms needed, for contest. Know limits for participation. Print Timeline to keep track of dates and deadlines. Make students aware of rules and any resources for preparation. Mark any deadlines on your calendar. 	Each Contest Page has rules, schedules, and resources for the specific contest. Reference the Contest Timeline.	ALL Sponsors & Primary Contact
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ With Primary Contact, check school events that may conflict with this contest. Work with school officials and Academic Rodeo to try to resolve the conflict. Print rules and schedule. Post for easy reference. Mark your calendar with important dates and deadlines. 	Reference the Contest Timeline on the contest page or the Academic Rodeo Calendar on the Getting Started and General Info pages.	ALL
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Find the Academic Rodeo Code of Conduct. Discuss with students and confirm their commitment to abide by the Code. By registering any student in a contest, you are verifying their agreement. Violation of the rules by students or adults with group can result in disqualification. 	The Code of Conduct is on General Info page. You do NOT bring it to contest. You can keep a record by using the School Group Planning document on	ALL

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August to October, continued			
	<p>◆ Each student and Coach/Sponsor attending a contest on the grounds will be required to submit a signed Indemnification Form. The Primary Contact should keep all of these and send the notebook or file with each Coach or Sponsor when the group attends a contest.</p>	<p>Student and Adult Indemnification forms are in PDF format on the General Info page.</p>	ALL
	<p>◆ Please note that during August through mid-October, the Academic Rodeo Director works remotely and is not physically present in the ETSF Office, where the primary focus in the Office is the East Texas State Fair. The AR Director will have access to e-mail and phone during this time. E-Mail is the easiest method of contact, but when calling the ETSF line with an Academic Rodeo question, ask to be transferred to Academic Rodeo. If the Director is unavailable when you call, leave a voice mail message. A response will come as soon as possible.</p>	<p>E-Mail: jstroupe@etstatefair.com Phone: 903.597.2501</p>	ALL
October 14, 2023			
	<p>◆ Deadline for School/Group CONTEST Registration online.</p>	<p>Getting Started Page - Click REGISTER link</p>	ALL
October 16-20, 2023			
	<p>◆ Sponsors of each contest receive e-mail with contest information. Contact Academic Rodeo IMMEDIATELY if you do not receive an e-mail for your contest by this date.</p>	<p>If you do not receive the e-mail, check SPAM folder or Junk Mail. Some school servers, filter out our e-mails.</p>	ALL
October 17, 2023			
	<p>◆ ShoWorks Portal link becomes active for Student Registrations. Do NOT submit Student Registrations on the Contest Registration form or Add/Drop Form!</p>	<p>Link is on Contest Page or General Info page.</p>	ALL
October 17, 2023			
	<p>◆ For ShoWorks Registrations, a password has been assigned to your School or Group and was e-mailed to ALL Sponsors & Coaches in the Registration Confirmation E-Mail in October. A detailed document with screen shots of the form was sent to coaches and sponsors with the first e-mail for each contest. IF you have problems or do not understand how to use the form, PLEASE contact Deborah Newman for assistance!!</p>	<p>Password NEEDED - Do NOT change this password! For Assistance: jstroupe@etstatefair.com OR 903-597-2501 (Ask to be connected to Academic Rodeo)</p>	ALL

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October 20, 2023			
	♦ Drop Date for Academic Challenge Quiz , either level, for those schools who have registered but have decided they will not participate. PLEASE drop as soon as you determine you will not participate or you will continue to receive e-mails asking for registrations.	There will be 2 days for MS. There will be 2 days for HS. There will be one Finals Day where both participate. Due to shorter number of days, it is imperative that you DROP as soon as possible if you aren't participating.	ACQ
	♦ ACQ Coaches will provide information about your school to be used in questions for the 3rd Quarter of MS matches or 2nd Period of HS matches. This is a great way for schools to learn about and appreciate each other.	Online form on Academic Challenge Quiz page	ACQ
November 17, 2023			
	♦ Student Registrations due for Academic Challenge Quiz. Registration is done through the ShoWorks Portal. Find link on Contest Page or General Info page beginning October 17.	Link on ACQ and General Info pages Do NOT submit Student Registrations on the Contest Registration form or Add/Drop Form!	ACQ
	Discuss Code of Conduct with students BEFORE registering.	Link to General Info page on ACQ Page	
November 22-24, 2023			
	The East Texas State Fair Office and Academic Rodeo will be closed.		All
December 5 & 6, 2023			
	♦ Academic Challenge Quiz First Round Matches for Middle School Level held at Shiloh Road Church of Christ. - Matches will occur throughout the day on both days. ONLY teams and coaches for the specific match allowed in the building.	Check MS ACQ Bracket on Academic Challenge Quiz page	ACQ
December 7 & 8, 2023			
	♦ Academic Challenge Quiz First Round Matches for High School Level held at Shiloh Road Church of Christ - Matches will occur throughout the day on both days. ONLY teams and coaches for the specific match allowed in the building.	Check HS ACQ Bracket on Academic Challenge Quiz page	ACQ

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	December 21-January 2, 2024		
◆	The East Texas State Fair Office will be closed on certain days of the holidays. Please call the office if you need to drop anything off so that you know it is open before you show up. December 1 - January 2: The Academic Rodeo Director will not be in the office, but can be contacted by e-mail during this time.	istroupe@etstatefir.com	ALL
February 1, 2024			
◆	Academic Challenge Quiz Finals both MS and HS at the Rose Garden (different than preliminary rounds)	MS/HS ACQ Bracket is on ACQ page.	ACQ
February 12-15, 2024			
◆	School Lists will be sent to all schools and groups listing ALL students registered, their status of participation, contest and any award received. Groups will confirm information is correct or will supply corrected info (name spelling, etc.) to Academic Rodeo.	Lists will be sent by email to Primary Contact and all sponsors/coaches registered for the group. One person should reply for group.	ALL
February 15, 2024			
◆	Scholarship Application Deadline - See Contest rules to see who may apply.	Submit to ETSF Office by 5:00 p.m.	ALL
February 16, 2024			
◆	RSVP from Schools by this date for names of Students attending the Awards Celebration - Only Students from 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Teams from ACQ.		
February 22, 2023			
◆	Scholarship Announcement to Sponsors - Students are NOT notified until they are announced at the Awards Celebration.	Recipient list to be sent by email	ALL
	FEBRUARY 29, 2024 (This is a Thursday not Friday)		
	Awards Celebration : Central Baptist Church, Tyler		
	Schedule : 9:00- 9:50 Check-in		
	10:00 Ceremony begins		
	12:00 Ceremony should be concluded		
◆	The following students from each contest group attend Awards Celebration:	Coordinate with other Sponsors.	
	Academic Challenge Quiz: Members of 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place Teams attend Awards Celebration.		ACQ