

UIL Events

Calculator: 80 problem test; Includes calculations involving addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, roots, and powers. Also includes straightforward calculation problems and simple geometric and stated problems.

Dictionary Skills: 40 objective questions; Contestants use dictionaries in a timed 20 minute test.

Listening: Contestants listen to a 7-10 minute script, take notes as needed. Students will have 10 minutes to answer 25 objective questions.

Maps, Graphs, and Charts: 75 objective questions; Contestants may use an atlas for this 45 minute test.

Mathematics: 50 multiple choice math problems appropriate for grade level. (No calculators)

Number Sense: 10 minute test where students will be given a fill-in-the-blank test which they shall complete without doing calculations on paper or on a calculator.

Ready Writing: Contestants are given two prompts with a defined audience and purpose. Contestants address one prompt and have two hours to write composition.

Science: 35 objective questions; Students will have 45 minutes to answer questions that will be taken primarily from current state-adopted science textbooks and the curriculum.

Social Studies: 40 objective questions; Students will have 30 minutes to answer questions over history, government systems, economics,

citizenship, and culture which will be taken from currently adopted social studies textbooks.

Spelling: Students will write 110 words given by the pronouncer at a rate of approximately five words per minute.

Speaking Events

Speaking events will consist of day 1 preliminaries followed on day 2 by those qualifying for finals.

Impromptu Speaking: Contestants draw three topics, select one, and have 3 minutes to prepare a speech, which is presented without any notes. Maximum time limit for each speech is 5 minutes.

Modern Oratory: Contestants will be given several UIL provided topics to choose from. They will deliver a 3-6 minute speech on their topic without notes. Contestants will choose a side, defend or support with additional evidence.

Oral Reading: Contestants will read a text out loud. The maximum time for presentation is 6 minutes. For 2016-2017 school year, contestants will be reading selections of prose.