

2020 Academic Challenge Quiz Timeline

July 8, 2019



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and showcasing the talents of all our youth”

Completed	Dates and Deadlines	Notes	Contest
	August to October		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Familiarize yourself with this contest, scheduling, and other factors that may be affected by your school or group calendar and activities. Print rules and schedule to post where you can find information easily. Mark your calendar with important dates and deadlines. 	Contest Pages have rules and schedules for the specific contest and any resource information. There is also a Contest Timeline.	ALL
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please note that during August through mid-October, the Academic Rodeo Director will work remotely and not be physically present in the ETSF Office, where the primary focus in the Office is the upcoming 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 for Academic Rodeo. If the Director is unavailable when you call, leave a voice mail message. A response will come as soon as possible. 	E-Mail: dnewman@etstatefair.com Phone: 903.597.2501, ask for Deborah Newman or Academic Rodeo There is NO Fax line available.	ALL
	September 20 – 29		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “2019 Virtual Academic Rodeo” on display at the East Texas State Fair 	2019 Photos, some Entries	ALL
	October 15, 2019		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline for School/Group Registration online. There is a link on the Academic Rodeo <i>Getting Started</i> and <i>General Info</i> pages. 	Academic Rodeo Getting Started Page -online form	ALL
	October 15-31, 2019		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Study the rules and deadlines for your contest. Understand the limits on number of students that may be registered and any limits to students in particular grades. Make students aware of rules and any resources for preparation. Mark any deadlines on your calendar. 	Contest Page for specific contest	ALL
	October 18, 2019		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	If you do not receive, check SPAM folder or Junk Mail. Some school servers, filter out our e-mails.	ALL

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	October 29, 2019		
	◆ Provide information about your school to be used in questions for the 3rd Quarter of matches. This is a great way for schools to learn about and appreciate each other.	Online form on Academic Challenge Quiz page	ACQ
	◆ Drop Date for Academic Challenge Quiz, either level. PLEASE drop as soon as you determine you will not participate. Late drops drastically affect everyone involved in the contest!	Online ADD/DROP Form on General Info page	ACQ
	October 30, 2019		
	◆ Preliminary ACQ Brackets to be posted online. The brackets will be adjusted if any schools drop from the competition.	On Academic Challenge Quiz page - MS Bracket & HS Bracket	ACQ
	November 5, 2019		
	◆ Student Registrations due for Academic Challenge Quiz . Use Excel version of Student Registration Form sent to you in first contest e-mail to submit by e-mail. Please provide all information requested on the form. Instructions for completing the form was also provided in the Contest e-mail in October.	Excel workbook with ALL forms is sent to all contest sponsors by e-mail in October. See General Info document on Getting Started Page for info on completing the form.	ACQ
	November 11-12, 2019		
	◆ Academic Challenge Quiz First Round Matches for Middle School Level in Building E - Matches will occur throughout the day on both days. Bring signed Code of Conduct form for your students.	Check MS ACQ Bracket on Academic Challenge Quiz page Code of Conduct form is available on the General Info page.	ACQ
	November 13, 2019		
	◆ Academic Challenge Quiz First Round Matches for High Middle School Level in Building E - Matches will occur throughout the day. Bring signed Code of Conduct form for your students.	Check HS ACQ Bracket on Academic Challenge Quiz page. Code of Conduct form is on General Info page.	ACQ
	November 28-29, 2019 – THANKSGIVING Holiday		
	The East Texas State Fair Office and Academic Rodeo will be closed.		

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	December 23 - January 1		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The East Texas State Fair Office will be closed December 24, (Christmas Eve), December 25 (Christmas Day), and January 1 (New Year's Day). The Office may be closed additional days. December 11 - January 3: The Academic Rodeo Director will not be in the office, but can be contacted by e-mail during this time. 		
	January 13, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Academic Challenge Quiz MS Matches See MS ACQ Bracket for specific teams competing. 	MS ACQ Bracket is on ACQ page.	ACQ
	January 14, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Academic Challenge Quiz MS Matches See MS ACQ Bracket for specific teams competing. 	MS ACQ Bracket is on ACQ page.	ACQ
	January 15, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Outstanding Educator nominations are due. 	Outstanding Educator Page - PDF form	OE
	January 16, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Academic Challenge Quiz MS Matches See MS ACQ Bracket for specific teams competing. 	MS ACQ Bracket is on ACQ page.	ACQ
	January 17, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Bad Weather Make-up Day - Will be used as needed to reschedule contest activities affected by weather. 	Specific sponsors involved will be notified.	
	January 21, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Academic Challenge Quiz MS Matches See MS ACQ Bracket for specific teams competing. 	MS ACQ Bracket is on ACQ page.	ACQ
	January 22, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Academic Challenge Quiz HS Matches Second Rounds - Actual schedule depends on the number of teams registered for the contest. See HS ACQ Bracket for specific teams competing. May be adjusted as needed after final registration. 	HS ACQ Bracket is on ACQ page.	ACQ
	January 24, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Bad Weather Make-up Day - Will be used as needed to reschedule contest activities affected by weather. 	Specific sponsors involved will be notified.	
	January 31, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Academic Challenge Quiz MS Matches See MS ACQ Bracket for specific teams competing. 	MS ACQ Bracket is on ACQ page.	ACQ
	February 3, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Bad Weather Make-up Day - Will be used as needed to reschedule contest activities affected by weather. 	Specific sponsors involved will be notified.	

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	February 3, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ POSSIBLE High School Academic Challenge Quiz - Final Rounds in tournament IF needed, depending on the number of teams registered for the contest. Students of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place teams receive Awards Letter detailing awards, scholarship application info, and info about Awards Celebration. Encourage students to complete Scholarship Applications. 	HS ACQ Bracket on Academic Challenge Quiz page	ACQ
	February 4, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Academic Challenge Quiz MS Finals Students of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place teams receive Awards Letter detailing awards, scholarship application info, and info about Awards Celebration. Encourage students to complete Scholarship Applications. 	MS ACQ Bracket is on ACQ page.	ACQ
	February 6, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Bad Weather Make-up Day - Will be used as needed to reschedule contest activities affected by weather. 	Specific sponsors involved will be notified.	
	February 10-11, 2019		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 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 and RSVP for the students eligible to attend no later than February 15. 	Lists will be sent by e-mail to Primary Contact and all sponsors/coaches registered for the group. One person can reply for all.	ALL
	February 14, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Awards Celebration RSVPs due. Student seats are reserved, so it is VERY important to receive RSVPs in a timely manner for set-up. 	Notify Primary Contact to send Student names to Academic Rodeo by e-mail.	ALL
	February 17, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Scholarship applications are due from all eligible Middle School and High School contest winners. MUST be in office on this date. The complete applications should be in the ETSF Office by 5:00 p.m. or brought to Open House in Building E by 6:30 p.m. 	Awards Page > Academic Rodeo Scholarship page	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Academic Rodeo Open House in Building E - 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. This is a great opportunity for parents and friends to see the entries submitted for Academic Rodeo and see some of the set-ups involved in contests as well as see photos from the contests. 		

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	February 19, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Notification to Schools of Scholarship Recipients This will be late in the day. Please notify parents to attend, but do not inform students to allow them to be surprised on the 21. 	Please RSVP when requested.	ALL
	February 21, 2020		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Awards Celebration 	Please RSVP when requested.	ALL
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Academic Challenge Quiz: Members of 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place Teams attend Awards Celebration. 	Coordinate with other Sponsors.	ACQ
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 8:45 - 10:00 a.m. - Pick up School/Group Packet. It contains many things for your entire group. Check to see if anything is missing for your entire group and report immediately to the Volunteer. You may be able to get everything corrected on the spot (medallion or ribbon), or you may have to wait for a correction to be made (certificates and checks). 	You may give awards to students or save for a special day, but DO CHECK for correctness. Give items to the appropriate sponsor in your group.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ The following items may be in the packet for your ACQ team: Place Ribbons for members of 1st, 2nd or 3rd Place teams; Participation Certificates for those who do not place. 	Please give items to the appropriate sponsor in your group.	ACQ
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 8:45-10:20 a.m. - Viewing of Academic Rodeo entries and photos in Building E You and your students will be able to see all Art, Computer Science, Engineering Challenge, Kinder Critters, Pentathlon, Science Fair, and Writing entries on display. You will also be able to see some of the set-ups used in contests and a slide show of photos from all the contests. 	Do NOT remove any entries at this time.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 10:15 a.m. - Students find seats if they have not already done so. 	Seats are numbered. Students sit with Contest Groups.	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 10:30 a.m. - Awards Presentations in Building B * Presentations begin with the Outstanding Educator honors * Contests groups are presented alphabetically: Academic Challenge Quiz, Agriculture Identification, Art Contest, Computer Science Fair, Drama Festival, Engineering Challenge, Kinder Critters, Mathletics, Mindset Breaking Experience, Pentathlon, Science Fair, Spelling Bee, Writing Contest, Youth Fashion Show. 	Students placing in multiple contests begin with the contest that is first alphabetically. After that group is recognized, the student moves to the next contest, etc. Team contest winners (ACQ, Engineering, Mathletics, MBE & Pentathlon) receive trophy on stage.	

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	February 21, 2019 - Awards Celebration, continued		
	<p>◆ 10:30 a.m. - Awards Presentations in Building B, continued * The presentations conclude with Scholarship Recipients who are not aware that they are receiving the award.</p>	Students may wear medallions or hold ribbons on stage.	
	<p>◆ 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. ONLY - Collect Academic Rodeo entries from display area IF not included in School/Group Packet – Art, Engineering Challenge display board and Rover to be dismantled and inventoried, Kinder Critters, and Science Fair projects. Do NOT remove essays and computer graphics displayed. These remain with Academic Rodeo for the East Texas State Fair display</p>	Please check for ALL entries from your school or group, even if you are not the sponsor for other contests. A listing of your students and their contests is provided to assist you.	
	February 24, 2020		
	<p>◆ 9:00 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. - Pick-up Window for schools/groups unable to attend the Awards Celebration or groups without winners. Other pick-up times MUST be arranged with Academic Rodeo Coordinator</p>	Please coordinate with other sponsors at your school and collect packet, ALL entries, & awards, promptly.	ALL
	February 25, 2020		
	<p>◆ 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - FINAL Pick-up time for schools/groups unable to attend the Awards Celebration or groups without winners. Other pick-up times MUST be arranged with Academic Rodeo Coordinator</p>	Please coordinate with other sponsors at your school and collect packet, ALL entries, & awards, promptly.	ALL
	February 28, 2020		
	<p>◆ Please complete online Participation Form to give statistical information about your group's participation in Academic Rodeo Please coordinate with other sponsors at your school. One person can complete one form for your entire group.</p>	Form is on General Info Page	ALL