

PINE TREE ACADEMIC UIL INVITATION A

2022 — Pine Tree High School / Longview, TX/US

**Pine Tree High School UIL Invitational A
January 7th - 8th, 2022**

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Dear UIL Coordinator/Sponsor:

We would like to welcome you back to our annual Invitational A opener. As we move back to “normal,” we are excited to offer a fully in-person event schedule! We hope to host a strong tournament and look forward to your joining us in kicking off the spring U.I.L. season on **Saturday, January 8th, 2022.**

All academic and speech events will be offered *except for the hands-on computer science.*

EVENTS: This contest includes all U.I.L. academic events except the hands-on portion of computer science. The following academic events will be offered: *current events, social studies, ready writing, literary criticism, spelling, journalism, math, calculator, number sense, science, accounting, computer applications, and computer science (written only).* Speech events include *LD, CX, Persuasive, Informative, and Prose and Poetry.* Academic events will be separated into large schools (Division I) and small schools (division II). ***Large Schools include all 5A and 6A and Small Schools include all 1A thru 4A.***

REGISTRATION: Please register all speech/debate AND academic contestants through TABROOM at www.tabroom.com. Any questions about registration may be directed to Lee Branson at lbranson@ptisd.org.

DEADLINES: We will need to have your registration in our possession by **5pm, Wednesday, January 5th.**

JUDGING: You must provide a judge/grader for **every event** in which your school is entered. If you do not provide a grader/judge your students will not be scored. For **debate**, you must have 1 judge for every 4 LD contestants or 2 CX teams, or part thereof. For **Prose/Poetry, Speech, and Writing Events**, you must provide 1 judge for every 6 participants or part thereof. Judging fees are \$150/judge for debate and speaking events if you do not provide a judge; however, **we prefer judges over fees.** AT **MINIMUM**, speech/debate team coaches **MUST** serve as judges. For writing events, if you have no judge, your student may compete, but they will not be scored. *Please contact us ahead of time if you need to make arrangements.*

ENTRY FEES:

CX Entries:	\$30 per team
LD Entries:	\$20
Speech Events:	\$10
Academic Events:	\$10

ENTRIES: Each school can enter unlimited entries in each event except for *writing events and computer applications, which we are capping at 4 students per school*. If you need to add or delete a contestant's name from your roster, please do so by editing your entries in TABROOM.

PROCEDURES FOR OBJECTIVE EVENTS:

All events will test according to the attached schedule with grading immediately following. We ask that all schools provide at least one coach per each event entered to grade and rank. We also ask that coaches are available at the beginning of each contest to verify contestants' names and to be on standby to help proctor as needed since this is the first spring meet of the season returning to "normal."

PROCEDURES FOR WRITING EVENTS:

Computer labs will be used to host all writing events including journalism. Even though our computer labs are removed from mainstream traffic, students may wish to bring ear plugs or ear buds to muffle any distracting noises. Students may also wish to bring a flash drive in order to save an electronic copy of their work. Essays will be returned to the event coaches following the grading of the events. Coaches are asked to score and rank essays. The U.I.L. rubric will be used. Ranking will be based upon school size. Schools are asked to provide at least one coach per writing event to score.

PROCEDURES FOR SPELLING EVENT:

Since consistent oral pronunciation is important for spelling, we will provide a pronouncer. All contestants (from large and small schools) will be in the same room during testing. Ranking will be based upon school size.

JUDGING and MEDALS: Judging for all events will immediately follow the end of each contest. Verification will immediately follow judging and ranking, and medals will be awarded immediately following verification. Any questions may be directed to the contest director at the meet. Top school trophy will be awarded for each division. First place teams will receive plaques and individual team medals in team events. In *Science*, awards will be given for the top scores in each grade, top Biology, Chemistry, and Physics, and overall 1st – 6th places. In *Math* events, awards will be given for the top score in each grade, as well as the overall 1st – 6th places.

CONFIDENTIALITY:

All materials will be given out on the day of the meet. Coaches and directors are asked to keep the Invitational A meet materials and not post or share them since other schools will be hosting Invitational A in the following weeks.

Thank you and Good Luck!

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