

Texas Middle School State Tournament Schedule (tentative as of March 6, 2026)

Individual Events

Section A: Duo Interpretation, Humorous Interpretation, Extemporaneous Speaking, Original Oratory, Poetry, Storytelling, Duet Improvisation

Section B: Dramatic Interpretation, Declamation, Prose, Informative Speaking, Program Oral Interpretation, Original Spoken Word Poetry, Impromptu Speaking

Friday, April 17, 2026

4:00	Extemp Draw, Round 1
4:30-5:45	Section A, Preliminary Round 1
6:00-7:15	Section B, Preliminary Round 1
7:15	Extemp Draw, Round 2
7:45-9:00	Section A, Preliminary Round 2

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8:00-9:15	Section B, Preliminary Round 2
9:15	Extemp Draw
9:45-11:00	Section A Quarterfinals
11:15-12:30	Section B Quarterfinals
12:30	Extemp Draw
1:00-2:15	Section A Semifinals
2:30-3:45	Section B Semifinals
3:45	Extemp Draw
4:15-5:30	Section A Finals
5:45-7:00	Section B Finals
7:30	Awards Ceremony

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Congress

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5:00-9:00	Preliminary Session (Students must have 3 hours of debate time.)
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9:00-1:00	Semifinal Session (Students must have 3 hours of debate time.)
2:00-6:00	Final Session (Students must have 3 hours of debate time.)
7:30	Awards Ceremony

LD/PF Debate

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4:30-5:30	PF Round 1 (single-flighted)
5:30-6:30	LD Round 1 (single-flighted)
7:00-8:00	PF Round 2 (single-flighted)
8:00-9:00	LD Round 2 (single-flighted)

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8:00-9:00	PF Round 3 (single-flighted)
9:00-10:00	LD Round 3 (single-flighted)
10:30-11:30	PF Round 4 (single-flighted)
11:30-12:30	LD Round 4 (single-flighted)

All entries with a 4-0 or 3-1 record will advance to the elimination rounds.

1:30-2:30	Partial Octofinals
3:00-4:00	Quarterfinals
4:30-5:30	Semifinals
6:00-7:00	Finals
7:30	Awards Ceremony

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World Schools Debate

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4:30-5:30	Round 1–Prepared Motion This House believes that the United States should significantly increase investment in a high-speed rail network. (Teams debate both sides of the motion.)
6:00-7:00	Round 2–Prepared Motion This House believes that the United States should significantly increase investment in a high-speed rail network. (Teams debate both sides of the motion.)
7:30-8:00	Round 3–Topic Release and Prep Time
8:00-9:00	Round 3–Impromptu Motion

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8:00-8:30	Round 4–Topic Release and Prep Time
8:30-9:30	Round 4–Impromptu Motion
10:30-11:00	Partial Quarterfinals–Topic Release and Prep Time
11:00-12:00	Partial Quarterfinals–Impromptu Motion
12:30-1:30	Semifinals–Prepared Motion This House, as a water-stressed region, would restrict water-intensive industries, even at the cost of economic growth.
2:00-2:30	Final–Topic Release and Prep Time
3:00-4:00	Final–Impromptu Motion
7:30	Awards Ceremony