

**Roane State Community College
Academic Festival**
Thursday & Friday, March 30 & 31, 2017
<http://www.roanestate.edu/academicfestival>

General Guidelines

- 1) The competition is limited to students in grades 9 through 12.
- 2) The festival is split between two days: Thursday, March 30 for music competitions within the Music Division and Friday, March 31 for all other events.
- 3) **School Classifications:**
Division AA Schools: 1-69 registered students (includes homeschool programs)
Division AAA Schools: 70+ registered students (includes homeschool programs)

This is the total number of students entered per school, not the total number of events entered per school or coop. For example, a school may have 41 students entered in a total of 70 events and be classified Class AA. This is not based on actual school size but on the number of students entered in the festival. Schools could conceivably change classifications from year to year.
- 4) **Awards:** The festival will award each classification a first, second and third place Sweepstakes trophy to the schools accumulating the most points during the festival. First, second and third place winners will be announced for each event. There are 88 competitive events. First-place winners will earn five points for their schools, second-place winners will earn three points for their schools and third-place winners will earn one point for their schools.
- 5) Each first-place winner will receive a festival medallion and all second- and third-place winners will receive certificates. Medallions will be awarded the day of the festival. Certificates will be mailed to the schools at a later date.
- 6) **To Register Individually:** All registration is completely online. Online registration opens January 12, 2017. To register go to:
 - i) www.roanestate.edu/academicfestival
- 7) **To Register as a Group:** This is a two-step process. Each person in the group (including choirs) must
 - i) register individually online (see item #6) **AND**
 - ii) Register as a group using a "Group Identification Form" (by mail or fax). Group Identification Forms cannot be submitted online. (Teachers, a copy of your class roster is sufficient to attach to the form but students still need to log on and register individually.)
 - iii) On-line registration begins January 12, 2017.
 - iv) www.roanestate.edu/academicfestival
- 8) An individual student may enter a **maximum of four events (only one may be a performance event) with the exception of music and chemistry events (see below for details)**.
 - a) **Chemistry**—Chemistry students may enroll in more than one chemistry event; however, if they do...they will not be able to compete in anything

else on Friday other than Chemistry. Do not allow your students to sign up in any other performance event outside of chemistry (except music, since music competitions are on Thursday.)

- b) **Music**—Students may enter only one solo performance event and one small ensemble event (PM-609, 610, 611, 612 or 613). Also, due to the size of the festival, each school may send only three performers for each solo event. There is no restriction on the number of large ensembles a student may enter (PM 607 and 608). This is allowed because the absence of one or more members of a large ensemble or choir, due to participation in an individual event, should not significantly affect the performance of the group as a whole. Group performances will not be delayed to wait for an individual to compete in another event.
 - c) **Bowl Events**—All bowl competitions (History, PW-030 and Math, PP-040) require students to be available all day in case their team places in a runoff. Do not let these students sign up for another Performance event (except Music-which is held on a separate day). They may, however, register to compete in non-performance events such as Creative Writing or Journalism.
- 8. Due to the time constraints of the festival there are caps on some events. The number of student entries allowed per school is included in the Division Guidelines.
 - 9. ***** IMPORTANT *** Performance event codes begins with a P. (Example: PD-401, Ballet or PL-507, French Translation – A.) See List of Divisions and Event Codes. Performance competitions are held between 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.**
 - 10. An individual student may submit only one work or performance in each event with the exception of Art entries.
 - 11. **Last day for online registration is Monday, March 20, 2017.** Online registration will be turned off at the close of the business day and will not be turned back on at a later date for sponsors to check student registrations and to submit corrections.

Pre-judged Written Entries (except those entered in the Art Division & Biology photographs)

- 12. All pre-judged entries---**must be received or postmarked by 4:30 p.m., Monday, March 6, 2017.** Entries may be mailed or brought by the Roane County campus, Room O-105. (Pre-judged event codes start with an N.) The school contact person is responsible for seeing that all entries are received by the deadline. The due date is noted by each event on the Division Guidelines. This includes Creative Writing, French composition & poetry, Chemistry essays and Journalism entries. **Absolutely no entries accepted after this date.**

All Other Pre-judged Entries (Art Division & Biology photographs only)

13. There are 2 due dates for Art
 - a. **March 6** – digital downloads due for NA-107 & NA-108)
 - b. **March 27** – All other pre-judged Art entries (NA-101 through NA-106) **must be received by 6:30 p.m., Monday, March 27, 2017.**
Entries should be taken to the Roane County campus, Room D-206.
DO NOT MAIL THESE ENTRIES. ROANE STATE CANNOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE SUSTAINED BY MAILING ENTRIES.
14. Biology photography **must be received by 6:30 p.m., Monday, March 27, 2017.** Entries should be taken to the Roane County campus, Room D-206. DO NOT MAIL THESE ENTRIES. ROANE STATE CANNOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE SUSTAINED BY MAILING ENTRIES.
15. The school contact person should arrange to pick up critiques and entries between 11:45 a.m. and 2 p.m. the days of the festival. Contact a Roane State representative to pick up your entries. Students will not be allowed to pick up critiques and entries for their school. School sponsors are responsible for picking up entries. Roane State cannot be responsible for lost or stolen work.
16. Photographs will be taken of the first-place winners each day of the festival. Please look for instructions in the program.

Send entries or address questions to:

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