



District Rally Headquarters
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2026-2027
DISTRICT RALLY
INFORMATION BOOKLET
(For Speech Events)

District Speech & Drama Competition – March 12, 2027
District Literary Competition – March 20, 2027
State Rally Competition – April 17, 2027



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Important District and State Rally Dates

November 19, 2026	School Coordinators Meeting at LSU Eunice 10:30-12:30
December 4, 2026	Deadline to submit entry forms and dues for LSUE District Rally
December 4, 2026	Deadline to submit State Rally dues
December 4, 2026	Deadline to submit District Contestant Entry forms for all competitions
March 12, 2027	LSU Eunice District Speech and Drama Rally
March 20, 2027	District Literary Rally
April 17, 2027	State Rally at LSU in Baton Rouge



SPEECH RALLY

Rules & Events

Friday, March 12, 2027

TIME:	8:30 a.m.	Welcome
	8:45 a.m.	Drawing begins for Extemporaneous Speaking
	9:00 a.m.	Original Oratory and Interpretive Reading begins
	9:30 a.m.	Extemporaneous Speaking begins

PLACE: Health Technology Auditorium, Room 102

Speech Events: District Information

General Information

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1. Students participating in the Speech Rally do not need to be enrolled in a speech class or club.
2. Students can participate in more than one district rally event (Speech, Drama and/or Literary).
3. Students may only participate in **ONE** speech event during district rally. Speech events that are offered are: Extemporaneous Speaking, Interpretive Reading and Original Oratory.
4. Headquarters and hospitality rooms for the high school coordinators and chaperones will be in the Health Tech building
5. All contestants are to report to the Health Technology Building Auditorium (room 102) for a brief welcome at 8:00am. Afterwards, they will be dismissed to go to their designated location at least 15 minutes prior to scheduled times.
6. Extemporaneous speaking competitors are released from the draw room in 5-minute intervals, and the next competitor waits outside the door until it is his/her turn to speak.
7. **Students participating in either the Interpretive Reading or the Original Oratory must present a copy of the manuscript to each of the judges before speaking. Please come prepared with 3 copies of the manuscript.**
8. State scoring instruments and ratings will be used for District competition.
9. Results of the contest will be posted in the Mumphrey Center approximately one hour after all the judges have turned in their results. Students who earn a Superior or Excellent rating will be given a certificate. Each high school rally coordinator will receive the results for their students via email. Judges' comments may be made available upon request from a school coordinator.
10. A one-time LSU Eunice fee exemption scholarship in the amount of \$100 and a t-shirt will be awarded to each student receiving a "Superior" rating.
11. Students who earn a "**Superior**" rating at a District Rally Speech competition qualify for State Rally Speech Events.

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Extemporaneous Speaking Evaluation Sheet

Student:			Group:		Topic No:	
Total Score:		Rating:			Judge's Initials:	

Instructions: Rate each student on the following items with 10 being the highest and 1 being the lowest by circling the score for each category. Put total points at the bottom of the page. Please write constructive comments for the student that will aid them in future competitions. Do not make any oral comments regarding student's entry. Speaker must present a brief informative talk on one of three current topics that were drawn in an informal, conversational manner.

The time limit is 5-7 minutes.

Category	Ratings									
Introduction	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Organization (clear, logical, appropriate)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Content (citation of sources, concreteness, adequacy)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Clarity of Purpose (suitability of topic)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Effectiveness of Conclusion (accomplished purpose, interesting)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Vocal Delivery (clear, loudness, articulation, pauses, emphasis, variety)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Non-verbal Communication (eye contact, gestures, posture, movement, facial expression)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Language Usage (style)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Overall Effectiveness (professionalism)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Time: _____ minutes _____ seconds	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Comments:										

Ratings: Superior (qualifies for state rally) 95-100 = Rate 5; Excellent 90-94 = Rate 4; Good 85-89 = Rate 3; Average 80-84 = Rate 2; Fair is below 79 = Rate 1

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Interpretive Reading Evaluation Sheet

Student:		Group:			
Total Score:		Rating:		Judge's Initials:	

Instructions: Rate each student on the following items with 10 being the highest and 1 being the lowest by circling the score for each category. Put total points at the bottom of the page. Please write constructive comments for the student that will aid them in future competitions. Give no oral feedback. Introductory comments preceding the reading are a timed part of the selection.

Selections may be presented from memory or from a book or manuscript. Students will be penalized at least one rating point for exceeding 8 minutes.

Category	Ratings
Introduction (set up theme/purpose, establish setting)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Selection Choice (appropriate for occasion)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Vocal Delivery (clear, loudness, articulation, pauses, emphasis, variety)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Non-verbal Communication (eye contact, gestures, posture, movement, facial expression)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Organization (coherence of presentation; transitions, if needed)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Characterization of role(s) (clearly conveys Work's intent)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Poise, Confidence, Professionalism	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Development (building to a point or climax)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Overall Effectiveness	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Time: _____ minutes _____ seconds	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Comments:	

Ratings: Superior (qualifies for state rally) 95-100 = Rate 5; Excellent 90-94 = Rate 4; Good 85-89 = Rate 3; Average 80-84 = Rate 2; Fair is below 79 = Rate 1

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Original Oratory Evaluation Sheet

Student:		Group:			
Total Score:		Rating:		Judge's Initials:	

Instructions: Rate each student on the following items with 10 being the highest and 1 being the lowest by circling the score for each category. Put total points at the bottom of the page. Please write constructive comments for the student that will aid them in future competitions. Do not make any oral comments regarding student's entry. Note cards are not allowed. Entry must be strictly original, and no more than 200 quoted words will be permitted. Language should be simple and direct. Plagiarism will disqualify the student. **The speech must be memorized. Prompting or failure in memory work will disqualify contestant.** Manuscripts should indicate sources used, whether those sources are used directly or indirectly. Any consistent method of source citation is permitted. **The time limit is 6-8 minutes.**

Category	Ratings
Introduction	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Organization (clear, logical, appropriate)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Content (citation of sources, concreteness, adequacy)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Clarity of Purpose (suitability of topic)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Effectiveness of Conclusion (accomplished purpose, interesting)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Vocal Delivery (clear, loudness, articulation, pauses, emphasis, variety)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Non-verbal Communication (eye contact, gestures, posture, movement, facial expression)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Language Usage (style)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Overall Effectiveness (professionalism)	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Time: _____ minutes _____ seconds	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Comments:	

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