

## Subchapter J. NON-DISCRIMINATION IN UIL CONTESTS

### Section 360: NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Failure to comply with the provisions of this subchapter constitutes an act or omission that is a violation of the *Constitution*. Except as provided for below, no student otherwise eligible under Subchapter M of the *Constitution* shall be denied, because of disability, race, color, gender, religion or national origin, the equal opportunity to try out for and, if selected, participate in the Academic, Music, and Athletic Plan contests offered by the member school districts.

- (a) Member schools may not permit boys to try out for, or participate under the Jr. High School or High School Athletic Plans designated for girl's teams.
- (b) Member schools that offer Cross Country, Golf, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field and/or Wrestling individual athletic plans may not permit mixed plans for boys and girls in those activities.
- (c) Member schools offering mixed or coed Team Tennis in which the game rules designate a certain number of team participants from each gender, may not permit boys to qualify for girls' positions on the mixed teams nor permit girls to qualify for boys' positions on the mixed teams.
- (d) Girls may try out for, and if selected, participate on the corresponding boys' team if the member school does not offer a corresponding girls' plan for basketball, and/or soccer. Otherwise, a member school that offers any of these plans may not permit boys to participate on the girls' teams, nor girls to participate on boys' teams in these activities. UIL considers the following to be corresponding sport athletic plans: boys and girls basketball; boys and girls soccer.
- (e) Girls may try out for and, if selected, participate in the Junior High School or the High School Football Plan.
- (f) Girls may try out for and, if selected, participate in the Junior High School or High School Baseball Plan, however, girls shall not participate in both baseball and girls' softball at the same time.
- (g) Boys may not wrestle against girls, and vice versa. This prohibition is only applicable when the contest is held in Texas or in any other state that sponsors wrestling programs for both boys and girls.
- (h) Gender shall be determined based on a student's birth certificate. In cases where a student's birth certificate is unavailable, other similar government documents used for the purpose of identification may be substituted.

(Sections 361-379 and Subchapter K reserved for expansion.)

## Subchapter L. CONTESTS

### Section 380: UIL CONTESTS AND PILOT PROGRAMS

The UIL shall conduct:

- (a) ANNUAL CONTESTS, as follows:
  - (1) Accounting
  - (2) Art
  - (3) Band, Concert Performance
  - (4) Band, Music Reading Evaluation
  - (5) Barbara Jordan Historical Essay Competition
  - (6) Baseball
  - (7) Basketball, Boys
  - (8) Basketball, Girls
  - (9) Calculator Applications
  - (10) Chess Puzzle
  - (11) Choir, Concert Performance
  - (12) Choir, Sight Reading
  - (13) Computer Applications
  - (14) Computer Science
  - (15) Congress
  - (16) Creative Writing
  - (17) Cross Country, Boys
  - (18) Cross Country, Girls

- (19) Current Issues and Events
- (20) Debate, Cross-Examination
- (21) Debate, Lincoln-Douglas
- (22) Dictionary Skills
- (23) Editorial Writing
- (24) Extemporaneous Informative Speaking
- (25) Extemporaneous Persuasive Speaking
- (26) Feature Writing
- (27) Film
- (28) Football
- (29) Football, Six-Man
- (30) Golf, Boys
- (31) Golf, Girls
- (32) Headline Writing
- (33) Impromptu Speaking
- (34) Latino History Essay Competition
- (35) Listening
- (36) Literary Criticism
- (37) Maps, Graphs and Charts
- (38) Marching Band
- (39) Mathematics
- (40) Modern Oratory
- (41) Music, Medium Ensemble Performance
- (42) Music Memory
- (43) Music, Solo-Small Ensemble Performance
- (44) Music Theory
- (45) News Writing
- (46) Number Sense
- (47) One-Act Play
- (48) Oral Reading
- (49) Orchestra Performance
- (50) Orchestra, Sight Reading
- (51) Poetry Interpretation
- (52) Prose Interpretation
- (53) Ready Writing
- (54) Science
- (55) Social Studies
- (56) Soccer, Boys
- (57) Soccer, Girls
- (58) Softball, Girls
- (59) Spelling
- (60) Spelling and Vocabulary
- (61) Storytelling
- (62) Swimming, Boys
- (63) Swimming, Girls
- (64) Team Tennis
- (65) Tennis Singles and Doubles, Boys
- (66) Tennis Singles and Doubles, Girls
- (67) Tennis, Mixed Doubles
- (68) Theatrical Design Contest
- (69) Track and Field, Boys
- (70) Track and Field, Girls
- (71) Volleyball, Girls
- (72) Wrestling, Boys
- (73) Wrestling, Girls

- (b) **PILOT PROGRAM CONTESTS AS PROVIDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.** The UIL administration is authorized to design, organize, and implement contests and contest rules among member schools on a pilot program basis upon the recommendation of the Executive Director of the UIL and the approval of the Legislative Council. A pilot program shall exist for the time period specified by the Legislative Council.

**Section 381: OFFICIAL CALENDAR PUBLISHED**

Before June 1 the Executive Director shall announce the official calendar for UIL contests for the coming year.

**Section 382: RESCHEDULING CONTESTS**

If it appears not to be feasible to hold a contest at the scheduled place or time because of weather, facilities or other cause, the Executive Director shall determine where, when, or if the contest will be held.

**Section 383: NON-TRADITIONAL SCHOOL YEARS.**

- (a) *Non-Traditional School Year.* See Section 5 for definitions of traditional school year, summer vacation, non-traditional school year and intersession.
- (b) *Rules Applicable During School and Intersessions.*
- (1) All rules found in the *UIL Constitution and Contest Rules* that apply to school district personnel, students, individuals, teams and/or schools during the traditional school year also apply to the non-traditional school year during the time school is in session and during intersessions.
  - (2) During intersessions schools shall schedule no more than one contest or performance per activity per student per school week.
  - (3) During intersessions schools shall limit practice for UIL music activities to a maximum of eight hours per school week per activity, in addition to a maximum of sixty minutes per day, (or 300 minutes per week on a block schedule), Monday through the end of the school day on Friday.
- (c) *Rules Applicable Specifically During Summer Vacation Months.* Activities that are allowed only during summer vacation are not allowed during intersessions unless the intersession falls within the summer months.