



Delano Union School District
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Region X Oral Language Festival



To Principals, Vice Principals, Resource Teachers, and Oral Language Festival Coaches:

The Region X Oral Language Festival will be held on Thursday, February 12, 2026 at Harvest Elementary/La Viña Middle School. Check-in begins at 2:00 p.m. and judging starts at 2:30 p.m. The awards ceremony is scheduled to begin at 4:00 p.m. and expected to end by 4:30 p.m.

Please make sure students are taken to the La Viña multipurpose room upon arrival and are chaperoned at all times. At the conclusion of judging, students will be released. Students may wait in the quad area, or sit in the La Viña Multipurpose Room as they wait for the awards ceremony to begin.

The first place winner/s from each category will advance to the Kern County Oral Language Festival on Saturday, April 25, 2026 at Stonecreek Junior High School in Bakersfield.

Each school may send 2 students/groups per category to the Region X Oral Language Festival. We will be using the KCSOS rules/judging criteria for the regional event. Enclosed you will find a copy of the guidelines for the competition. Please read and follow the guidelines carefully. The KCSOS will not allow students to participate in the county event if the guidelines are not followed.

All literature selections are required to be approved by the site principal. Literature selections need to be appropriate for age, event and presentation to a community audience which may include small children. Inappropriate selections will disqualify the student(s) from participating. Literature selections must be published works (in print) that can be found in the library or at school. Selections only available in regional newspapers, magazines, video/audio recordings, or on the Internet are not allowed. Selections must have an author (no anonymous pieces).

All Region X forms should be submitted by e-mail or mail to Lea Cantu in Educational Services (contact information below). All forms should be typed. Forms may be accessed from the district website at <https://www.duesd.org/Page/519>.

Please submit the names of your site coaches on the attached Coach Form by Thursday, December 11, 2025. As in the past, **each participating school is required to supply three helpers** who will serve as judges and facilitators at the Region X Oral Language Festival. Their names must be submitted on the attached Judge/Facilitator Form by Thursday, January 29, 2026.

School events must be completed and Student Entry Forms submitted by Thursday, January 29, 2026.

Thursday, Dec. 11	Coach Form due
Thursday, Jan. 29	Judge/Facilitator Form due
Thursday, Jan. 29	Student Entry Forms due
Thursday, Feb. 12	Region X Oral Language Festival 1:30 p.m. - judges and facilitators meet at Harvest 2:00 p.m. - check-in begins for students and coaches in the La Viña Multipurpose Room 2:30 p.m. - judging begins in the event rooms 4.00 p.m. - awards ceremony begins in the La Viña Multipurpose Room

Contact/Questions/Forms to:
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Attachments:
1. Coach Form
2. Judge/Facilitator Form
3. Student Entry Forms
4. KCSOS Oral Language Guidelines/Score Sheet