

THE VIRTUAL MEET EXPERIENCE

PRESENTS

THE VIRTUAL CHALLENGE MEETS

"When you can do the common things of life in an uncommon way, you will command the attention of the world." – **George Washington Carver**



JANUARY

Highlights

High School VCM #3 Results

HS VCM #4: February 12th - March 2nd
Adding Copy Editing as a Pilot Event

BY THE NUMBERS

High School VCM #3:

7,164 Scores posted for High School Meet #3

Overall Sweepstakes winners:

1st - Allen High School (94 Points)

2nd - Argyle (47.3)

3rd - Fort Bend Clements (39.2)

4th - Edinburg North (33)

5th - Needville (29.2)

6th - Caddo Mills (28)

7th - Pflugerville Hendrickson (27)

8th - Frisco Heritage (25) tie

8th - Henrietta (25) tie

8th - Groveton (25) tie

2023-2024 High School Virtual Challenge Meet #3



3-PEAT
OVERALL
SWEEPSTAKES
CHAMPS!!!



ALLEN HIGH SCHOOL
VCM ACADEMIC TEAM



BY THE NUMBERS

High School VCM #3:

1A Top Ten Sweepstakes Winners:

1st - Rankin High School (125 Points)

2nd - Nazareth (105.3)

3rd - Knippa (61) tie

3rd - Moulton (61) tie

5th - Gail Borden (58)

6th - Garden City (56)

7th - Vernon Northside (46)

8th - Wheeler Kelton (38)

9th - Baird (36)

10th - Sanderson (32)

BY THE NUMBERS

High School VCM #3:

2A Top Ten Sweepstakes Winners:

1st - Latexo (75 Points)

2nd - Sabine Pass (65)

3rd - Muenster (49)

4th - Groveton (47)

5th - Mart (45)

6th - Vega (43)

7th - San Augustine (41) tie

7th - All Saints - Lubbock (41) tie

9th - Ozona (36)

10th - Lindsay (31)

BY THE NUMBERS

High School VCM #3:

3A Top Ten Sweepstakes Winners:

1st - Gladewater Sabine High School (154 Points)

2nd - Mission Collegiate (93)

3rd - New Waverly (64)

4th - Henrietta (55)

5th - Holliday (53)

6th - Mount Pleasant Chapel Hill (37)

7th - Childress (35)

8th - Columbus (34)

9th - S&S Consolidated (29)

10th - Elysian Fields (25)

BY THE NUMBERS

High School VCM #3:

Top Ten 4A Sweepstakes Winners:

1st - Dallas Science & Engineering HS (164 Points)

2nd - Sulphur Springs (107)

3rd - Needville (83)

4th - Van (55)

5th - Dallas Talented and Gifted (54)

6th - Caddo Mills (53)

7th - La Feria (23.5)

8th - Hereford (22)

9th - Orange Little Cypress Mauriceville (20.5)

10th - Kaufman (17)

BY THE NUMBERS

High School VCM #3:

Top Ten 5A Sweepstakes Winners:

1st - Argyle High School (172 Points)

2nd - Frisco Heritage (87)

3rd - Hallsville (71)

4th - Lubbock Coronado (47)

5th - Leander Rouse (35)

6th - CC Flour Bluff (29)

7th - Pflugerville Hendrickson (27)

8th - Abilene Wylie (24) tie

8th - Cedar Park (24) tie

10th - Sharyland Pioneer (23)

BY THE NUMBERS

High School VCM #3:

Top Ten 6A Sweepstakes Winners:

1st - Allen HS (125 Points)

2nd - Fort Bend Clements (98.25)

3rd - Waller (64.3)

4th - Conroe Grand Oaks (55.25)

5th - Tomball Memorial (45.5)

6th - Fort Bend Elkins (41)

7th - McKinney (37)

8th - Edinburg North (33)

9th - Cypress Ranch (32)

10th - Galena Park North Shore (28)



THE VIRTUAL CHALLENGE MEETS

2023-2024 TESTING WINDOWS

HIGH SCHOOL

- **Meet #1: October 2nd - 28th**
- **Meet #2: November 13th - December 9th**
- **Meet #3: January 8th - February 3rd (revised)**
- **Meet #4: February 12th - March 2nd**
- **RQ Meet: April 9th - 23rd**
- **SQ Meet: May 1st - May 11th**

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- **Meet #1: September 4th - 30th**
- **Meet #2: October 2nd - 30th**
- **Meet #3: November 1st - 30th**

****COMPLETED MEETS IN YELLOW**

THE VIRTUAL CHALLENGE MEETS THE TESTS

HIGH SCHOOL

- Accounting
- Calculator
- Computer Science
- Current Events
- Literary Criticism
- Mathematics
- Number Sense
- Science
- Social Studies
- Spelling

MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Calculator (6-8) (**additional VCM 4th & 5th divisions)
- Dictionary Skills (5-6) & (7-8)
- Listening Skills (5-6) & (7-8)
- Maps, Graphs and Charts (5-6) & (7-8)
- Mathematics (6-8) (**additional VCM 4th & 5th divisions)
- Number Sense (4-6) & (7-8)
- Science (6-8) (**additional VCM 4th & 5th divisions)
- Social Studies (5-6) & (7-8)
- Spelling (3-4), (5-6), & (7-8)

** We open these events up to lower grades to compete to help coaches spot interested and talented kids for the future.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

HS CURRENT EVENTS

Bradley Wilson announced and UIL has confirmed that THE SCORING FOR CE HAS BEEN CHANGED BY UIL, SO WE ARE CHANGING WITH THEM.

Still 40 Questions, but each is now worth 2 points, so a perfect score is now 80 points, therefore you cannot have odd-numbered scores.

Please check your posted CE scores to make sure your coach or whoever graded and scored your CE Tests did this correctly.

As a side note, even though we do not have the essay component, please note that the Essay is now worth 20 points on any UIL CE Test that uses the essay.

HS SOCIAL STUDIES

Andy Bates announced at CapCon and the SAC that he is switching parts Two and Three for this year's topic so he won't have to write as many questions over the book.

He did this when the topic was East Asia, and his reason is that he doesn't want to have to resort to questions over the minute details over the book.

This year's book, like the one on Korea, is not as rich as the one last year, so it will be harder for him to come up with questions.

This does not change the scoring of the SS Test, just what content each section covers.

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OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED ON NEXT SLIDE

HS SCIENCE - PHYSICS SECTION

From the UIL website:

The three directed reading questions will come first (P1-P3). The book for this year is “Five Equations that Changed the World” by Michael Guillen (ISBN 978-0786881871).

This book covers the biographies of five great physicists. There’s less math and more humanity, so I hope your students enjoy it.

This was also the book used for the 2017 season, so many of your schools may already have a copy of it. This book has five chapters, so the breakdown is logical:

- questions for the UIL Invitational A test will come from chapter 1
- questions for UIL Invitational B will come from chapter 2.
- For the UIL District test, I will choose questions from chapter 3.
- Questions for the UIL Regional test will come from chapter 4
- questions for the UIL State test will come from chapter 5.
- As always, I would encourage you to read the entire book, but you’ll need only review a single chapter of the book prior to each contest.

From the VCM Physics Test Writer (in response):

Here is what we will be doing to prepare your students for the above UIL tests:

- **VCM # 1 Chapter 1**
- **VCM # 2 Chapter 1**
- **VCM # 3 Chapter 2**
- **VCM # 4 Chapter 3**
- **VCM # 5 Chapter 4**
- **VCM # 6 Chapter 5**

BY THE NUMBERS

In 2022-2023, the Virtual Challenge Meets had:

- **485** High Schools and **170** Middle Schools that competed in the VCMs
- **37,349** Total Scores posted on the VCM website (**all the most ever**)

In the 10 HS VCM Events:

- **76%** of the **Top 6 UIL Individuals** at the **2023 UIL State Meet**
- **80%** of the **UIL Individual State Champions** at the **2023 UIL State Meet**
- **74%** of the **UIL State Qualifying Teams** at the **2023 UIL State Meet**
- **88%** of the **UIL Team State Champions** at the **2023 UIL State Meet**

Competed in the Virtual Challenge Meets

BY THE NUMBERS

The 2023-2024 Middle School Virtual Challenge Meets:

- MS Virtual Challenge Meet #1 - 2,735 Scores Posted
 - Sweepstakes Winner-Whitesboro Middle School
- MS Virtual Challenge Meet #2 - 3,696 Scores Posted
 - Sweepstakes Winner-Nazareth Middle School
- MS Virtual Challenge Meet #3 - 2,799 Scores Posted
 - Sweepstakes Winner-Lindsay Middle School

9,230 (the most ever) Total Scores were posted for the 2023-2024 MS Season

THE VIRTUAL CHALLENGE MEETS TEST WRITERS & PROOFERS

Both the Middle School and the High School VCM tests are written and proofed by former UIL State Directors, current UIL State Directors (in different events), State Champion Academic Coaches and university professors.

Year after year they have repeatedly answered the charge of providing top quality academic tests that will emulate the UIL tests in depth, difficulty, and design, giving your students the best possible training materials out there to make them successful.

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