

# **BANA Academic Fest 2021 – Rules**

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## General Rule

- Coordinators' judgment will be final
- Participant can do one appeal by sending request to [banahouston@gmail.com](mailto:banahouston@gmail.com) which will be reviewed by control room. Control room's adjudication is final.
- If any student's conduct is not at par, coordinators or their delegates (at their discretion) will have right to ask participants to leave the event.
- No refund will be given in any circumstances.
- Coordinators, at their discretion, have right to change schedule, delete some part or all of events based on situation before, during, or after the event.

The rules below must be strictly followed or the contestant might endanger himself or herself to disqualification. Please read and understand the following rules. We thank you for your cooperation and wish all the contestants good luck!

## High School

### Rules for Science Test (High)

1. Eligibility: Students entering Grades 9th – 12th in school year 2021-2022.
2. Contestants will have 120 minutes to answer fifty (50) questions, which will be a combination of multiple choice questions and fill in the blank problems. Calculator is only allowed if relevant for the test. Other books, scrap papers or any supporting documents will not be allowed in the test room. Contestants can use scrap papers, pencil and eraser.
3. Contestants should arrive on time to get benefit of the full duration of 120 minutes. If any contestant arrives after the beginning of the contest, he/she will get only the remaining time to finish the contest.
4. For each correct answer, contestant will be awarded with 5 points and for each incorrect answer, two points will be deducted. No points will be deducted or given for any unattempted answers.
5. Each contestant must return the question booklet and the answer sheet to the coordinator at the end of the test duration.
6. No Parents/Guardians/visitors will be allowed in the test room during the test.
7. The coordinators' or judges' decisions will be final.



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## Rules for Practice SAT Test (High)

### ABOUT THE SAT EXAM:

- The highest score on the test is 1500. The Reading and Writing section and Math section are each scored on a scale of 200-800
- points. The two scores are then added together to give the composite score.
- There is no penalty for wrong answers, so students are encouraged to answer every question.
- Calculators are allowed on section 4 only. Graphing calculators such as the TI-84 are allowed, but there are some restrictions. For more information on calculator policy, go to [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org).

### TEST SCHEDULE

- SECTION 1: Reading 65 minutes
- SECTION 2: Writing and Language 35 minutes

### 5 MINUTE BREAK

- SECTION 3: Math (No Calculator) 25 minutes
- SECTION 4: Math (Calculator) 55 minutes

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## Middle School

### Rules for Math and Science Tests (Middle)

1. Eligibility: Students entering Grades 6th through 8th in school year 2021 - 2022.
2. Contestants will have 45 minutes to answer fifty (50) questions, which will be a combination of multiple choice questions and fill in the blank problems. Calculators, books, scrap papers or any supporting documents will not be allowed in the test room. Contestants will be provided with the scrap papers, pencil and eraser. However, they are allowed to bring their own pencils and eraser.
3. Contestants should arrive on time to get benefit of the full duration of 45 minutes. If any contestant arrives after the beginning of the contest, he/she will get only the remaining time to finish the contest.
4. Each contestant must write his/her contestant ID only on the answer-sheet for the answer-sheet to be evaluated.
5. For each correct answer, contestant will be awarded with 4 points and for each incorrect answer, one point will be deducted. No points will be deducted or given for any unattempted answers.
6. No Parents/Guardians/visitors will be allowed in the test room during the test.
7. The coordinators' / judges' decisions will be final.



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## Rules for Vocabulary (Middle)

1. Eligibility: Students entering Grades 6th through 8th in school year 2021 - 2022.
2. The competition will consist of fifty (50) questions including multiple choice questions, word choice and comprehension. He/she must write the correct answer clearly on the provided online portal.
3. Contestants are allowed to bring their own pencils scrap papers, and erasers.
4. Contestants should arrive on time to get benefit of the full duration of 40 minutes. If any contestant arrives after the beginning of the contest, he/she will get only the remaining time to finish the contest.
5. For each correct answer, contestants will be awarded with 5 points and for each incorrect answer, 2 points will be deducted. No points will be deducted or given for any unattempted answers.
6. No Parents/Guardians/visitors will be allowed in the test room during the test.
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## Rules for Speech Competition (Middle)

1. Eligibility: Students entering Grades 6th through 8th in school year 2021 - 2022.
2. The competition will consist of 3 speech topics that will be suitable for the age group, and help prepare students for debate and speech in the future. The contestants are expected to prepare his/her speech on all of these 3 topics.
3. The contestants are NOT allowed to bring papers, notes or writing instruments to the event.
4. The Speech topics are
  - Resolved: Increased United States federal regulation of cryptocurrency transactions and/or assets will produce more benefits than harms.
  - Resolved: In the United States, social media is beneficial for democratic values.
  - Resolved: A public health emergency justifies limiting civil liberties.

PS: These topics are courtesies other public sources

5. Each contestant will be allowed to draw one of the two topics from the instructions on which he will have to speak for a maximum of 3 minutes. third topic will be used for the final round of speech.
6. Each contestant will be reminded about the remaining time during the speech. Each contestant must try to complete his/her speech in the given 3 minutes of time to avoid points deduction for exceeding the time limit.
7. Parents/Guardian/Visitors will be allowed in the competition area, but we strongly ask that silence be maintained at all the times. This is to help the judges to listen clearly to the speakers.
8. The coordinators' / judges' decisions will be final.



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# Elementary School

## Rules for Math and Science Tests (Elementary)

1. Eligibility: Students entering Grades 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> in school year 2021– 2022.
2. Contestants will have 40 minutes to answer fifty (50) questions, which will be a combination of multiple choice questions. Calculators, books, or any supporting documents will not be allowed in the test room. However, they are allowed to bring their own pencils and eraser, and scrap papers.
3. Contestants should arrive on time to get benefit of the full duration of 40 minutes. If any contestant arrives after the beginning of the contest, he/she will get only the remaining time to finish the contest.
4. For each correct answer, contestant will be awarded with 5 points and for each incorrect answer, 2 points will be deducted. No points will be deducted or given for any unattempted answers.
5. No Parents/Guardians/visitors will be allowed in the test room during the test.
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## Rules for Spelling Bee (Elementary)

1. Eligibility: Students entering Grades 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> in school year 2021 – 2022.
2. Please refer to the link below:

<http://www.banahouston.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/BANA-2021-Spelling-Bee-Rules.pdf>

## Rules for Art Competition (Elementary)—Theme “to be given at the time of exam”

1. The Art competition will be of 45 minutes of duration.
2. Each of the contestants will be asked to draw some colorful arts related strictly to the theme.
3. The winner will be announced during the award ceremony.
4. There is no trophy for the best selected art, but the best selected art will be published in the BANA magazine to be published in the year 2022.
5. All the materials for the art competition will be provided by the students.



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# Primary School

## Rules for Math Test (Primary)

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2. Contestants will have 40 minutes to answer fifty (50) questions, which will be a combination of multiple choice questions. Calculators, books, or any supporting documents will not be allowed in the test room. Contestants will be provided with the scrap papers, pencil and eraser. However, they are allowed to bring their own pencils, erasers, and scrap papers.
3. Contests are allowed to do their rough work calculations on the question booklet, but they should write only the final answer on the answer-sheet clearly.
4. Contestants should arrive on time to get benefit of the full duration of 40 minutes. If any contestant arrives after the beginning of the contest, he/she will get only the remaining time to finish the contest.
5. For each correct answer, contestant will be awarded with 5 points and for each incorrect answer, 2 points will be deducted. No points will be deducted or given for any unattempted answers.
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## Rules for Art Competition (Primary)—Theme “to be given at the time of exam”

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