



Texas Art Education Association
STATE VISUAL ART SCHOLASTIC EVENT

San Marcos High School – San Marcos CISD
2601 Rattler Road, San Marcos, TX 78666



TIMELINES AND AGENDA

MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2026 – FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2026

Exact signup
times are TBD

Participant can sign up for a potential Scholarship Workshop ticket.

- Teachers must mark students 'Yes' for they are attending the State VASE Event before you register students for any Workshops and/or Portfolio Review.

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026 – FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2026

Exact signup
times are TBD

Student Workshops and Portfolio Review online registration dates.

- Teachers must mark students 'Yes' for they are attending the State VASE Event before you register students for any Workshops and/or Portfolio Review.
- Teachers should mark all non-attending students as 'No' for they are not attending the State VASE Event.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2026

7 AM

Judging: Entire Campus (*Districts schedule off-site tours directly with the venue.*)

- Only State VASE staff and jurors are allowed on site Friday during judging.

TBD

Be on the lookout for more information about a potential Artist Collective Event. For planning purposes, if we can make this event happen, it would most likely occur from 7:30pm – 9:30pm.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2026

7:15 AM

Teacher Check-in: Main Hallway of San Marcos HS near Cafeteria

- Take students to SAC Field before checking in.

Regional Directors will give each teacher (one each for teachers and students):

- ✓ School Map
- ✓ 2026 State VASE Event Program
- ✓ ID Badge
- ✓ Gold Seal Certificate (if applicable)
- ✓ Memorial Scholarship Award Certificate (if applicable)

7:15

On-Site Workshop Registration: Main Street of SMHS

- Only teachers may register students for available workshops located near the Library.

8:00 AM

Orientation & Welcome: Student Activity Center (SAC) Field

- Spirit of VASE Award Presentation
- Gold Seal Awards Presentation
 - Seats are assigned and labeled in alphabetical order by region.
- Memorial Scholarship Awards Presentation
 - Section row(s) will be reserved behind the Gold Seal seating section.

9:45 AM - 11:00 AM
11:15 AM - 12:30 PM

Session I and Session II: Workshops and Portfolio Review

- Various campus locations.

9:30 AM-2:30 PM

Student Exhibitions: 2D - Competition Gymnasium; 3D - Practice Gym; Gold Seal – SAC Gym

TIMELINES AND AGENDA (CONTINUED)

- 12:30 PM** **Lunch - On Your Own:** Your choices are purchase items from the available food booths on-site, have food delivered, or go off-site for lunch; the City of San Marcos does not allow food trucks to enter the city; therefore, food trucks will not be available to purchase food.
- 12:30 – 2 PM** **College & University Portfolio Review:** Room 905 (No appointment needed)
- 2:45 PM** **Student Exhibitions Close:**
- You will be asked to exit the exhibition area and return to the Student Activity Center (SAC) Field for the 2026 State VASE Closing Awards Ceremony.
 - Collect artwork after the Closing Awards Ceremony.
- Collect Scholarship Workshop Artwork:**
- 2D will be returned at Teacher Checkout from your Regional Director.
 - 3D Scholarship Artwork will be available for pickup in the Workshop Room location (Room 900).
- 3 PM** **Closing Awards Ceremony:** Student Activity Center (SAC) Field
- Scholarship Awards Presentation
- Dismissal of Regions:** Student Activity Center (SAC) Field
- In order to minimize congestion and frustration, regions will be released in 10-minute intervals to collect student artwork from the Practice and Competition Gyms.
 - All schools and participants should wait until their region has been called.
 - FYI...the State VASE participants who have traveled the farthest will be dismissed first. This is intentionally planned so that these distant teachers and students arrive home closer to midnight versus 3am when accidents are more likely to occur.
- 3:30 PM** **Strike Exhibitions:** 2D - Competition Gymnasium; 3D - Practice Gym
- Name badges / Colored stickers will be required and checked before any Teacher / Sponsor is allowed to enter the exhibitions during the takedown process.
 - Only a State VASE qualifying teacher and a maximum of 2 helpers may enter exhibitions to collect artwork.
 - 3D boxes will most likely be near the student artwork area in the Practice Gym. If it cannot be found in the practice gym, it will be in the Box Storage hallway which is behind the Practice Gym.
 - Gold Seal artwork will remain in TAEA's possession until the TAEA Annual Conference in November 2026 at The Moody Gardens Hotel located in Galveston, TX. The Gold Seal artwork is a traveling show that will be showcased in several exhibitions across the State until the conclusion of the state conference in November 2026.
- 4:00 PM** **Teacher and Student Artwork Checkout:** Main Hallway of San Marcos HS
- An overview of the checkout process will be provided in both the teacher check-in envelope and online.

Also, may the State VASE Team offer the following suggestions?

- Bring enough portfolio cases that will allow 2D artwork from being damaged on its way home. We cannot guarantee the availability of cover sheets for 2D artwork will not be available at the time of checkout; 3D artwork will have its box to use for transport home.
- There will be several vendors at the event that will help you purchase either high-quality art supplies or State VASE swag at an irresistible price!