

2022 Farrington Contest & Awards

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2022 8:00-1:00 P.M

NORTHBROOK HIGH SCHOOL, RAIDER CIRCLE NORTH #1, HOUSTON, TX
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The Farrington Contest & Awards are hosted by [HATFL](#) (Houston Area Teachers of Foreign Languages) each year in honor of Curtis Farrington, an original founder and the first president of HATFL. All students studying a language other than English are invited to participate in the Farrington Contest. HATFL will present the Farrington awards to students for an outstanding performance in all languages and levels tested.

Languages and Levels:	
ASL	Levels I, II, III*
French	Levels I, II, III and Advanced
Latin	Levels I, II, III
Spanish	Levels I, II, III and Advanced*
Spanish Heritage Speakers	Intermediate and Advanced

No students who hold outside experience **or heritage learners may be registered for levels I or II. **Outside experience** is defined as any student who **has lived or studied for any length of time** in an environment where the target language is spoken. When in doubt contact the language representative on the next page. **Heritage Speakers** are those students who have been exposed at some level to the language in their home environment. **

Exam Format for The Farrington Contest

Part 1: Multiple Choice Exam & Presentational Writing: The multiple-choice exam will be given first to all participants and will be limited to one hour. All students will be asked to complete a writing portion which will be used only for breaking ties. Only top scoring students will be requested to remain for the speaking portion.

Part 2: Presentational Speaking: All students competing for the Farrington awards should be prepared to speak about general topics related to course objectives for the test they are taking. Advanced level tests will include the use of past and future tenses in discussing cultural comparisons and contrasts.

ASL: The ASL exam will consist of the Interpersonal Speaking portion ONLY. The top 5 finalists will participate in a secondary round of interviews which will include advanced level topics.

Study Guides: <http://www.hatfl.org/Farrington.html>

Awards & Ceremony

Awards & Ceremony: All students who participate in the Farrington contest will receive a certificate of participation from the proctor administering their written exam. The awards ceremony for finalists will take place immediately following the oral testing and the reception, close to 12:00 noon. Students placing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in each category will receive a medal recognizing their accomplishment. The two remaining finalists will receive Honorable Mention medals.

Tentative Schedule for Spanish, , French, Latin

8:30 – 9:00	Arrival & Room Assignments
9:00 – 10:00	Part 1: Multiple Choice & Presentational Writing
10:00 – 10:30	Break
10:30 – 11:30	Part 2 (Finalists Only) Presentational Speaking
11:30 – 12:00	Light Refreshments
12:00 – 1:00	Awards Ceremony

ASL Schedule – Roxann will communicate further details to all teachers, participants, and volunteers.

How to Enter Your Students

- **Each campus** can enter up to three **(3) STUDENTS PER LANGUAGE PER LEVEL .**
- Students **must be** in the appropriate level of the language or they must **have just completed** the level. (i.e. Spanish 1 students must take Spanish 1 exam etc., Spanish Heritage Speakers Intermediate is the district’s lower level courses for these students, and Spanish Advanced Speakers is for the advanced or AP course. Select the course that best matches the structure for Spanish Heritage Speakers in your district.)
- Entry fee for each student must be paid by March 4, 2022.
- Deadline for **Registration (\$5 per student)** for the 2022 Farrington Awards is February **25th**. **No onsite registration.** Entry forms and fees must be submitted or postmarked by this date or they will not be accepted. **Checks are to be made payable to HATFL. For Venmo or Zelle payments please include the name of the student in the Memo or Comments. Registration Form can be found here <https://forms.gle/8mAMXfsdTgw5FepE6> .**
- ****HATFL Membership Fees waived for teachers this year only. ****
- Teachers will likely be asked to assist during contest (i.e. proctoring, oral interview, judge, etc.)

Questions? Who to Contact

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