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2026 ASCE Frontier Student Symposium

Hosted by the ASCE Student Chapters at:
Texas A&M-Corpus Christi and Texas A&M-Kingsville

Mailer 3 - Final Symposium Information
2026 ASCE Frontier Student Symposium
Hosted by Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and
Texas A&M University-Kingsville
April 15 – April 18, 2026



March 15, 2026

Dear ASCE Student Chapter of the ASCE Frontier Student Conference:

This is your **2026 ASCE Frontier Student Symposium** Mailer 3, the last of three informational packets to be sent to each of the participating ASCE Student Chapters in our Student Conference.

Please carefully read this information and forward copies to the appropriate members in your ASCE Student Chapter and team members for each team competing at the student symposium. Do not delete this mailer as information given within may not be repeated in subsequent mailers. Enclosed you will find the following information:

- Mailer 3 Confirmation and registration reminders,
- Safety-first culture information,
- Competition safety information,
- Business Meeting information,
- Maps, directions, and parking information,
- Non-competition event information,
- Competition presentation and display information,
- Social network information,
- Final student symposium schedule,
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- Final deadlines,
- Society and local competition information,
- Student Symposium Paper Competition information,
- ASCE Society Competition eligibility requirements,
- Sponsor recognition, and
- Hotel information.

*Receipt of this mailer should be confirmed by completing the Mailer 3 Acknowledgment Form by March 31, 2026.
Please note the individual registration deadline is April 1, 2026.*

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at our general student symposium e-mail address, listed below. All symposium information such as events, mailers, policies, rules, etc. will be posted on our website and are also listed below.

We look forward to your participation in the 2026 ASCE Frontier Student Symposium and providing an opportunity to engage with other student chapters and ASCE Region Leadership.

Sincerely,

Eduardo Perez
President, ASCE Student Chapter
Texas A&M University Kingsville

Natalie Sepulveda
President, ASCE Student Chapter
Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi

Bobbie Fealy, PE
Chair, 2026 ASCE Frontier
Student Symposium

ASCE Student Symposium website	https://studentsymposium.asce.org/frontier/
Texas Section Website (Historical Information)	https://www.texasce.org/our-programs/student-symposium/
General Symposium email address	Region6Symposium@gmail.com
Head Judge email address	Region6Judge@gmail.com

Mailer 3 Receipt Confirmation & Registration

STEP 1 - Mailer 3 Receipt Confirmation - *required*

Follow the link below to complete the Mailer 3 Receipt Confirmation due no later than **March 31, 2026**.

Mailer 3 Receipt Confirmation Link – <https://forms.gle/rGNrtC7dqREWduS69>

REGISTRATION REMINDERS

STEP 2 – Student & Faculty Individual Late Registration Form – *required for those not registered yet*

Student & Faculty Individual Late Registration Form will close at 11:59 PM CST on **April 1, 2026**.

Please visit our symposium website at [Registration Details- Frontier](#) to register for the 2026 ASCE Frontier Student Symposium.

The Student & Faculty Individual Registration Form must be filled out by *ALL individuals* attending the symposium including chapter members, team competitors, chapter spectators, guest teams, faculty advisors and staff. The Student & Faculty Individual Registration Form contains liability waiver information required by ASCE that must be reviewed and acknowledged by every individual attending, participating, and/or spectating at the symposium. Late Registration began March 1 and will remain open through April 1.

****Please note that judges and volunteers have a separate registration form that will be shared from the host university.**

STEP 3 – Team, Student, & Faculty Registration Payment - *required*

Student & Faculty Individual Late Registration is \$140 per person. All payments are due by April 1, 2026.

Make check payable to “ASCE Texas Section” or register & submit payment online here:

<https://studentsymposium.asce.org/frontier/registration/>

Where to mail check:

Attn: ASCE Frontier Student Symposium
c/o ASCE Texas Section
5511 Parkcrest Dr, Ste 207
Austin, TX 78731
USA

If your chapter will NOT be participating in the 2026 ASCE Frontier Student Symposium, please email Region6Symposium@gmail.com

Safety-First Culture Information

ASCE, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, and Texas A&M University-Kingsville are encouraging a Safety-First Culture during the student symposium. We encourage all symposium participants to embrace this concept by thinking about safety in their activities coming to, returning from, and while at our symposium. We want **every** symposium participant to return home safe and healthy.

To generate a Safety-First Culture, we have designated Dr. Randolph Shane Creel as our symposium safety officer. Further, be on the lookout for safety information at or in advance of the symposium, such as the location of first-aid supplies, who in the crowd has first-aid training and Safety Moments.

What is a Safety Moment? A Safety Moment consists of a quick discussion on an activity-specific, site-specific, or general safety topic. The Safety Moment may be presented by the leader of an activity, the symposium safety officer, or a member of the host symposium planning team. We ask that all participants give their undivided attention to the Safety Moment discussion and embrace the safety-first concept.

If an injury does occur during the symposium, it should be reported to the competition head judge, symposium safety officer, or activity leader immediately so that appropriate action can be taken based on the injury. If it is a true emergency, please call 911 first.

Contact information for the symposium safety officer and key host school representatives is listed below. Please keep this list close during the symposium and we encourage you to program the symposium safety officer's phone number into your cell phone.

Symposium Safety Officers

Dr. Randolph Shane Creel- Randolph.creel@tamuk.edu
Jenni Peters- jpeters@texasce.org; (512) 910-2272
Dr. Brittany Bullard- region6judge@gmail.com; (907) 230-0020

Host School Faculty Advisor(s)

Dr. Hua Zhang: Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
hua.zhang@tamucc.edu;

Dr. Breanna Bailey: Texas A&M University- Kingsville
breanna.bailey@tamuk.edu;

Closest Hospital/Urgent Care

CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi - Shoreline Emergency Room
600 Elizabeth St, Corpus Christi, TX 78404

As a best practice, we strongly recommend that faculty advisors keep and maintain on-hand a list of emergency contact information for their university and participating students. ASCE and the student symposium host do not collect emergency contact information from registrants.

In the spirit of a Safety Moment, here are some safe driving habits to keep in mind as you travel to the student symposium:

- Driving at the speed limit has proven to save lives.
- Do not drive when tired. Swap drivers often.
- Minimum of two people awake at all times when wheels are rolling.
- Be aware of how larger/heavier vehicles behave when stopping or turning.
- Be aware of your surroundings when backing up any vehicle, especially trailers. Better yet, avoid backing up at all, if possible.
- Use a spotter to watch when you must back up a vehicle.
- Slow down when the conditions warrant (rain, fog, darkness, pedestrians nearby).
- Perform a circle of safety around your vehicle to identify what is in your blind spots.

Competition Safety Information

Please see the competition rules for full details. If there is a discrepancy between the rules and the information listed below, the competition rules are to be followed.

ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition: Safety gear (closed-toe water shoes and Personal Floatation Device (life jacket)) for each paddler is the responsibility of each team. ([Exhibit 8: Race Regulations & Safety](#))

AISC ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition: Personal protective equipment is the responsibility of each team. During all construction activities, builders must wear hard hats and protective eyewear or safety goggles ([Section 10.1.6](#)). During all loading activities, competitors must wear hard hats, protective eyewear or safety goggles, work gloves, and steel toe or composite work boots that extend above the ankle. Steel or composite toe caps over leather work boots are acceptable. ([Section 11.2.1.3](#)). The hardhats must meet ANSI standard Z89.1, and the protective eyewear or safety goggles must meet ANSI standard Z87.1

Surveying Competition: Team members are responsible for providing their own required safety equipment including closed-toe shoes and safety-colored shirts or vests to participate in the field tasks. ([Section 6: Safety](#))

Timber-Strong Design Build Competition: [Section 5.4.3 Safety Gear](#) – Each team is responsible for bringing their own tools, safety gear, and personal protective equipment (PPE) including but not limited to construction hard hats, safety glasses, gloves (tips of gloves may not be cut off), closed-toed shoes, long pants, and safety vests or high-visibility shirts. Long hair needs to be tied back at the construction site. Please see [Section 5.4.3 Safety Gear](#) for information on power tools and [Section 4.5](#) for addition safety information.

Business Meeting ([Eligibility Requirement](#))

The Business Meeting is scheduled to take place on **Saturday, April 18, 2026, at 4 pm.**

The draft business meeting agenda is shown below. If you have additional agenda items and/or motions that your student chapter would like to be included in the agenda, please submit them to 2027 ASCE Frontier Host School, The University of Texas at Tyler at region6symposium@gmail.com by Friday, April 10, 2026.

Note that the business meeting is officially the business meeting for the Student Conference Board of Delegates. The Board of Delegates consists of two student delegates (preferably a senior or junior in an ASCE leadership position and a sophomore in or aspiring to an ASCE leadership position) and the faculty advisor from each student chapter. Each student delegate must be a member in good standing with their student chapter and the Society. Each student chapter in the Student Conference has one vote.

At least one member of your ASCE student chapter must participate in the Business Meeting as part of the eligibility requirements to advance to finals for Concrete Canoe, Steel Bridge, Sustainable Solutions, and Surveying.

Business Meeting Agenda – Draft

- ◆ Call to Order by meeting chair, UT at Tyler
- ◆ Roll Call
- ◆ Changes to Agenda
- ◆ Welcome Address
 - ◆ Host, TAMU-Kingsville and TAMU-Corpus Christi
 - ◆ Region 6 Director, Kensey Russell
 - ◆ CSCC Representative Update, Erika Weber
- ◆ Unfinished Business
- ◆ New Business
 - ◆ 2027 Host – UT at Tyler
 - ◆ 2028 Host – Seeking Interest
 - ◆ 2029 Host – Seeking Interest
- ◆ Topics Provided by Delegates
 - ◆ Email region6symposium@gmail.com by Friday, April 10
- ◆ Input for Future Hosts
- ◆ Adjournment

[Click here for ASCE Eligibility Requirements](#)

Trailer Parking Information

Overnight parking for trailers will be available at the RMB Fairgrounds beginning Tuesday, April 14.

Owners are responsible for securing their vehicles while parked. Additional security will not be provided. It is recommended that any valuable items be removed and kept with the owner.

Schools requesting overnight parking at the RMB Fairgrounds must complete the [Google Form](#) by or before April 10.



Registration and Trailer Arrival

Registration begins at 2pm on Wednesday, April 15.

To coordinate concrete canoe and steel bridge unloading, a call or text must be made to the Head Judge (Dr. Bullard) a minimum of 30-minutes prior to arrival with official school name and captain included.

Head Judge, Dr. Bullard: (907) 230-0020

Friday Venue Map – note traffic flow



Non-Competition Event Information

Registration (Wednesday): April 15, 2026, from 4:00pm-8:00pm
RMB Regional Fairgrounds, Ballroom A - Conference Center
1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd, Robstown, TX 78380

Welcoming Ceremony (Wednesday): April 15, 2026, at 4:30 pm.
RMB Regional Fairgrounds, Ballroom B - Conference Center
1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd, Robstown, TX 78380

ASCE Information Table (Thursday): April 16, 2026, at 9am.
RMB Regional Fairgrounds, Ballroom B - Conference Center
1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd, Robstown, TX 78380

Stop by the table to learn more about ASCE.

Career Fair (Thursday): April 16, 2026, at 9am-5pm.
RMB Regional Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall A
1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd, Robstown, TX 78380

Stop by to learn more about our 2026 sponsors, internship/employment opportunities, and career paths.

YM Social – Casino Night (Thursday): April 16, 2026, at 7:00 PM. Hawaiian shirts encouraged.
RMB Regional Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall B
1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd, Robstown, TX 78380

Hosted by the ASCE Corpus Christi Branch Young Members, enjoy light refreshments and a chance to win our poker tournament. Prizes will be offered to the top winners and the biggest loser!

Social – Corpus Christi Hooks Baseball Game (Friday): April 17, 2026, at 7:00 PM.
Whataburger Field, Corpus Christi.
734 E Port Ave, Corpus Christi, TX 78401

Come enjoy a Double-A Minor League baseball game as the Corpus Christi Hooks play the Northwest Arkansas Naturals.

Demonstration Day (Saturday): April 18, 2026, at 9am-noon.
RMB Regional Fairgrounds, Exhibit Hall A
1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd, Robstown, TX 78380

Watch and engage with physical demonstrations and hand-on activities from our 2026 sponsors.

Business Meeting (Saturday): April 18, 2026, at 4pm. By invitation only, see page 5

Banquet/Awards Ceremony (Saturday): April 18, 2026, at 7pm. Semi-Formal attire.
Robstown Fairgrounds Conference Center
1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd, Robstown, TX 78380

Competition Presentation & Display Information

All Competitions: Each student team that presents is required to bring their digital presentation on a USB. The host will provide laptop and projector equipment.

Please see the competition rules for full details. If there is a discrepancy between the rules and the information listed below, the competition rules are to be followed.

ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition: Teams are responsible for providing all necessary materials for the display portion of the competition. ([Section 7: Prototype Display Requirements](#)).

AISC ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition: Teams are responsible for providing all necessary materials for the aesthetic display portion of the competition. ([Section 6.2.1](#))

Surveying Competition (past due; late submissions are accepted with deductions):

Topographic Map Display: It is the responsibility of each team to bring one (1) 24-inch by 36-inch paper copy set of the topographic mapping project to the symposium and give to the student symposium host at check-in, which will be used for public display at the student symposium ([Section 7.3, Paper Copy Submittals](#)). The sheets of the paper copy must match the electronic submission.

(This copy is for the public display and does not replace the required online submission due on **February 23, 2026, by 5:00 pm EST.**)

- Teams are encouraged to bring a standard 6ft tablecloth displaying your school's name, logo, or chapter name for the Topo Map Display Session (*not required*).
- Teams should plan to stay with their topo map public display to discuss their project with spectators.

Field Task Equipment: Please refer to [Appendix D, Equipment List, in the rules](#) for a full list of required items for the competition. All items must be supplied by each individual team at the symposium competition.

Sustainable Solutions:

Poster Session: Teams will be responsible for providing their own easel for the poster presentation. You can find standard 63" poster board easels online. Easel [Example](#).

- Teams will be expected to stay with their poster during the display to discuss their project with spectators.

Timber-Strong Design Build Competition: Teams will be responsible for providing their own easel for the visual aid at the build site, as outlined in [Section 9.2 of the rules](#). You can find standard 63" poster board easels online. Easel [Example](#).

Student Symposium Paper Competition: See above in red.

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Social Network Information

Download the ASCE Texas Section app for all scheduling and official event information. This app will be the main form of communication before, during, and after the symposium.

The ASCE Texas Section app can be accessed by following [the link](#) or in the Google Play / Apple App Store.



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Kingsville

Event photos will be made available on [Flickr](#).

Final Student Symposium Schedule

Date	Time	Event <i>(subject to change, see event app for updates)</i>	Location
Wednesday, April 15	2:00 PM	Registration & Welcome	Ballroom A
	4:00 PM	Concrete Canoe & Steel Bridge Display Set Up	Exhibit Hall A
	4:30 PM	Welcome Address	Ballroom B
	5:00 PM	Captains Meeting - Concrete Canoe	Meeting Room A
	6:00 PM	Captains Meeting – Sustainable Solutions	Meeting Room A
	6:30 PM	Captains Meeting – Steel Bridge	Meeting Room A
	7:00 PM	Welcome Reception for Professionals	See Website
Thursday, April 16	7:30 AM	Steel Bridge Construction and Aesthetics	Exhibit Hall A
	7:30 AM	Registration	Ballroom A
	8:00 AM	Concrete Canoe Display	Exhibit Hall A
	Full Day	Career Fair	Exhibit Hall A
	12:00 PM	Lunch	Conference Center
	Afternoon	Concrete Canoe Deductions & Display Teardowns	Exhibit Hall A
	5:00 PM	Captains Meeting - Surveying	Meeting Room A
7:00 PM	YM Social	Exhibit Hall B	
Friday, April 17	7:00 AM	Captains Meeting – Concrete Canoe (Racing)	Picnic Pavilion
	7:15 AM	Concrete Canoe Swamping	Corpus Christi Marina
	7:30 AM	Concrete Canoe Races Begin	Corpus Christi Marina
	9:30 AM	Captains Meeting - Concrete Bowling	Picnic Pavilion
	8:00 AM	Captains Meeting - Local Comps (Concrete Cornhole, Tug-of-War, Beach Volleyball, Sandcastle Competition)	Picnic Pavilion
	8:30 AM	Surveying Competition Tasks Begin	Field 1
	9:00AM	Tug-of-War Competition	Beach
	9:00 AM	Sandcastle Competition	Beach
	10:00 AM	Beach Volleyball	Beach
	10:00 AM	Concrete Bowling	Field 2
	1:00 PM	Concrete Cornhole	Field 2
	12:00 PM	Lunch	Corpus Christi Marina
	3:00 PM	Sandcastle Competition Judging	Beach
	6:00 PM	Captains Meeting – Timber-Strong Design Build	Picnic Pavilion
	6:30 PM	Captains Meeting - Mystery Design & Symposium Paper	Picnic Pavilion
7:00 PM	Social	Whataburger Field	

Drug and Alcohol-Free Events

The use of drugs and alcohol is prohibited at all ASCE Student Symposium events.

Date	Time	Event <i>(subject to change, see event app for updates)</i>	Location
Saturday, April 18	8:00 AM	Concrete Canoe Technical Presentations	Meeting Room A
	8:00 AM	Symposium Paper Presentations	Meeting Room C
	8:00 AM	Timber-Strong Design Build Construction	Equestrian Center Arena
	9:00 AM	Sustainable Solutions Poster Judging	Ballroom A
	9:00 AM	Surveying Poster Judging	Ballroom A
	10:00 AM	Sustainable Solutions Presentations	Meeting Room B
	10:00 AM	Surveying Presentations	Ballroom A
	Full Day	Demonstration Day	Ballroom A
	12:00 PM	Lunch	Ballroom B
	1:00 PM	Mystery Design	Equestrian Center Arena
	1:30 PM	Scavenger Hunt	Robstown Fairgrounds
	2:00 PM	FE Exam Jeopardy	Ballroom A
	4:00 PM	Student Business Meeting	Meeting Room A
	7:00 PM	Awards Banquet	Conference Center

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Final Presentation Schedules

Concrete Canoe Presentations Date: Saturday, April 18 – Robstown Fairground Meeting Room A	
<u>School</u>	<u>Timeslot</u>
Universidad Autónoma Del Estado De México (UAEM)	8:00 AM
Texas A&M University	8:15 AM
The University of Texas at Arlington	8:30 AM
The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	8:45 AM
The University of Texas at Austin	9:00 AM
The University of Texas at Tyler	9:30 AM
The University of Oklahoma	9:45 AM
Tecnológico de Monterrey	10:00 AM
The University of Texas at El Paso	10;15 AM
The University of Texas at San Antonio	10:30 AM
Texas State University	11:00 AM
Texas Tech University	11:15 AM
Texas A&M University Kingsville	11:30 AM

Presentation order is subject to change at the discretion of the Head Judge. Current order was determined using a random generator. Adjustments will be made once a full count of all teams present has been confirmed during the mandatory Captains Meeting. Team Captains who fail to attend the mandatory Captains Meeting will forfeit their presentation timeslot and the presentation order will be reset at the discretion of the Head Judge.

Sustainable Solutions Presentations	
Date: Saturday, April 18 – Robstown Fairground Meeting Room B	
<u>School</u>	<u>Timeslot</u>
Texas Tech University	10:00 AM
Oklahoma State University	10:20 AM
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)	10:40 AM
The University of Texas at Austin	11:00 AM
The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	11:20 AM
The University of Texas at San Antonio	11:40 AM
Rice University	1:30 PM
Texas Southern University	1:50 PM
The University of Texas at Arlington	2:10 PM
The University of Texas at Tyler – Houston EC	2:30 PM

Surveying Presentations	
Date: Saturday, April 18 – Robstown Fairground Ballroom A	
<u>School</u>	<u>Timeslot</u>
Texas Tech University	10:00 AM
Angelo State University	10:08 AM
Texas Tech University	10:16 AM
West Texas A&M University	10:24 AM
The University of Texas at Austin	10:32 AM

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Student Symposium Paper Presentations	
Date: Saturday, April 18 – Robstown Fairground Meeting Room C	
<u>School</u>	<u>Timeslot</u>
Universidad Panamericana Guadalajara	8:00 AM
The University of Texas at Tyler	8:13 AM
LeTourneau University	8:26 AM
Texas Tech University	8:39 AM
The University of Texas at San Antonio	8:52 AM
Texas A&M University Corpus Christi	9:05 AM
Tarleton State University	9:18 AM
Texas A&M University	9:31 AM
Angelo State University	10:00 AM
Rice University	10:13 AM
Abilene Christian University	10:26 AM
Southern Methodist University	10:39 AM
The University of Texas at Arlington	10:52 AM
The University of Texas at El Paso	11:05 AM
Oklahoma State University	11:18 AM
Texas State University	11:31 AM
Tecnológico de Monterrey	11:44 AM
The University of Oklahoma	1:00 PM
The University of Texas at Austin	1:13 PM
Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León in Monterrey (GUEST)	1:26 PM

Student Symposium Paper Presentations (con't)	
Date: Saturday, April 18 – Robstown Fairground Meeting Room C	
<u>School</u>	<u>Timeslot</u>
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)	1:39 PM
The University of Texas at Tyler - Houston EC	1:52 PM
Lamar University	2:05 PM
The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	2:18 PM
Universidad Autónoma Del Estado De México (UAEM)	2:31 PM
Texas A&M University-Kingsville	2:44 PM
West Texas A&M University	2:57 PM
University of Houston	3:10 PM
Texas Southern University	3:23 PM
Universidad La Salle	3:36 PM
Universidad de Sonora (GUEST)	3:49 PM

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Final Deadlines

We highly recommend that you share this information with your chapter, including any competition captains.

March 15	Mailer 3 (final) sent to each student chapter.
March 25	Sustainable Solutions Competition Technical Design Proposal, Envision Checklist and Criteria Justification, Public Outreach Poster, and Sketchup files are due. <i>(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE)</i>
March 31	Mailer III Receipt Confirmation due from each student chapter.
April 1, by 11:59 p.m. Central Time	Final Date for Late Registrations
April 7	Timber-Strong Design Build Phase Three Project deliverables are due. <i>(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE)</i>
April 10, by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time	Timber-Strong Design Build - All Change Orders and final submittals are to be uploaded to ASCE's Cerberus ftp server. <i>(Unique and secure link to be provided to each team from ASCE)</i>
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Society Competition Information

SOCIETY COMPETITIONS AT THE 2026 ASCE FRONTIER STUDENT SYMPOSIUM

Society-wide Competitions

ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition



ASCE UESI Surveying Competition



AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition



ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition



Society Pilot Competitions

ASCE Timber-Strong Design-Build Competition



Society competition rules can be found at:

<https://www.asce.org/communities/student-members/conferences/rules>

Local Competition Information

LOCAL COMPETITIONS AT THE 2026 ASCE FRONTIER STUDENT SYMPOSIUM

Student Symposium Paper Competition] <i>Participation is a requirement for advancement to Society-wide competition finals and SSBC National Finals</i>	Beach Volleyball	Concrete Bowling	Concrete Cornhole
FE Exam Jeopardy	Mystery Design	Sandcastle Competition	Scavenger Hunt
Tug-of-War Competition			

Local Competition rules can be found on our website at [2026 ASCE Frontier](#)

Student Symposium Paper Competition

The ASCE Student Symposium Paper Competition emphasizes the importance of being able to write and present a paper as essential communication skills for all engineers and often necessary for advancement in your career. The competition consists of a paper submission and a presentation at the student symposium.

The topic for the **2026 ASCE Frontier Student Symposium** Paper Competition: Daniel W. Mead Prize for Students Topic – [click here for topic.](#)

- **Submission deadline: March 1, 2026 (past due; late submissions are accepted with deductions)**
 - *Papers submitted after the March 1st deadline will be accepted and permitted to present at the student symposium. Late submissions may be subject to a deduction and will not be eligible for consideration for the National Daniel W. Mead Prize for Student Competition, regardless of final placement at the student symposium. Late submissions may be subject to a deduction.*
- **Submission email/link is: <https://studentsymposium.asce.org/frontier/resources/competitions/>**
- **Rubric: [Click here for the 2026 Student Symposium Paper Competition Rubric](#)**
- **Rules: [Click here for the 2026 Student Symposium Paper Competition Rules](#)**
- **Time Limit for Presentations: 5 minutes with 5 minutes for Q&A**

****All papers must have a statement at the bottom attesting that, except where otherwise cited, the submission is the work of the student author and not AI or NLP. Submissions without this statement will not be considered for recognition.**

For student chapters participating in their regional student symposium, papers must be submitted to the student symposium host by March 1, 2026, using the host's preferred submission process as outlined above. A separate submission to ASCE is not required for the Daniel W. Mead Prize for Students Competition, as the student symposium submission will serve as the official entry for both the Student Symposium Paper Competition and the Mead Paper Competition. The winning paper from each student symposium will advance to the Society competition for final review, with the official national winner announced in May 2026.

*****SOCIETY-WIDE FINALS ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT*****

Both the Student Symposium Paper Competition submission and the presentation are mandatory for any ASCE Student Chapter participating in the **2026 ASCE Frontier Student Symposium** that wishes to be eligible to advance to ASCE Society-wide finals competitions and the SSBC National Finals. Competitions **requiring** participation include:

- ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition
- ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition
- ASCE UESI Surveying Competition, and
- AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition.

Note: Any papers/presentations created for any other competition do not count as an entry into the Student Symposium Paper Competition.

ASCE Society Competition Eligibility Requirements

Competitions that advance to an ASCE Society-wide Finals Competition include the ASCE Concrete Canoe Competition, ASCE Sustainable Solutions Competition, and ASCE UESI Surveying Competition. The AISC/ASCE Student Steel Bridge Competition advances to the SSBC National Finals and follows the eligibility requirements below. See [SSBC Rules](#) for more information.

The purpose of student competitions is to provide student members career-enrichment opportunities to gain hands-on, practical experience and leadership skills. Society Competitions are an important and special opportunity to showcase the engineering and professional skills of student teams. As such, mutual respect is required for all stakeholders, including competitors, judges, hosts, and guests. Invitations to the Student Symposia and the Society-wide finals competitions/ASCE Civil Engineering Student Championships are a privilege, not a right. Failure to act professionally can result in sanctions, disqualifications, and loss of invitations. Please note that the requirements for eligibility for Society-wide finals competitions are more stringent than the requirements for participation at the student symposia competitions.

ELIGIBILITY FOR STUDENT SYMPOSIUM COMPETITION

The following qualifications are required of all ASCE Student Chapters to compete at the Student Symposia Competitions:

An ASCE Student Chapter must:

1. Be in good standing with ASCE:
 - a. Have paid their annual dues, as received by ASCE, **no later than the start of their Student Symposium.**
 - b. Have submitted their student chapter's full Annual Report or EZ Annual Reporting Form **no later than February 1, 11:59 p.m. EST.**

ELIGIBILITY FOR ASCE SOCIETY-WIDE FINALS COMPETITION

The following qualifications are required of all ASCE Student Chapters in order to advance to the ASCE Society-wide Finals Competition:

An ASCE Student Chapter must:

1. Be in good standing with ASCE:
 - a. Have paid their annual dues, as received by ASCE, no later than February 1, 11:59 p.m. EST.
 - b. Have submitted their student chapter's **full Annual Report**, **no later than February 1, 11:59 p.m. EST**, **and have received a minimum score of 25 points out of a possible 100.** **Student Chapters that submit an EZ annual reporting form do not qualify** to advance to finals competition; and
2. Attend and participate in their assigned Student Symposium as shown through their school's:
 - a. On-time attendance and active participation by a member of the ASCE Student Chapter at the Student Symposium Business Meeting.
 - b. Participation in the Student Symposium Paper Competition, including submission and presentation by a member of the ASCE Student Chapter. Note that any papers/presentations created for any other competition do not count as an entry into the Student Symposium Paper Competition.

Questions regarding eligibility should be directed to student@asce.org.

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Preferred Hotel Accommodations with confirmed parking available for trailers
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1. Holiday Inn Corpus Christi Downtown Marina, 707 N. Shoreline Blvd, Corpus Christi, TX 78401
 - **Booking Link:** [Here](#)
 - Or call (361) 882-1700, press 0 and give the Front Desk agent the group block code “ASC”.
 - **Deadline:** March 31
2. Holiday Inn Corpus Christi – Airport, 5549 Leopard St., Corpus Christi, Texas, 78408
 - **Booking Link:** [Here](#)
 - **Deadline:** March 15

Please visit <https://www.visitcorpuschristi.com/> to find accommodations for your chapter. Suggested hotels near The Robstown Fairgrounds and The Marina Bay would be:

Corpus Christi Lodging:

NW Corpus Christi

- ◆ Best Western Northwest Corpus Christi Inn & Suites –
3838 Interstate Highway 69 Access Road, Corpus Christi, TX 78410; (361) 241-6363
- ◆ Hampton Inn Corpus Christi –
Northwest I-37 - 11233 IH-37, Corpus Christi, TX 78410; (361) 241-9300
- ◆ La Quinta Inn Northwest –
10446 Interstate 37, Corpus Christi, TX 78410; (361) 241-4245

Downtown Corpus Christi

- ◆ Best Western Corpus Christi (Marina / Waterfront) -
300 N Shoreline Blvd, Corpus Christi, TX 78401; (361) 883-5111
- ◆ Holiday Inn Corpus Christi Downtown Marina -
707 North Shoreline Blvd, Corpus Christi, TX 78401; (361) 882-1700
- ◆ Omni Corpus Christi Hotel -
900 N Shoreline Blvd, Corpus Christi, TX 78401; (361) 887-1600

Robstown Lodging:

- ◆ Days Inn by Wyndham Robstown -
650 US-77, Robstown, TX 78380; (361) 387-8600
- ◆ Executive Inn -
620 S Highway 77, Robstown, TX 78380-4311
- ◆ Quality Inn & Suites -
615 S Hwy 77, Robstown, TX 78380; (361) 236-4057
- ◆ Robstown Motor Inn -
609 S Highway 77, Robstown, TX 78380; (361) 387-1561