

**NDHSAA State B Plays  
November 24, 2020  
University of Jamestown**

**10/21 – 10/29: Regional Registration Deadlines** (*dates/sites below—current as of this publication*)

**11/4 – 11/12: Regional Competitions** (*dates/sites below—current as of this publication*)

**11/17: State Cancel/Continue Declaration** (understanding LPH may shut down at any time). Directors meeting 3:30p CDT to discuss campus protocols and advisory items—no meeting during event

**Approved Regulation Changes For 2020—Required of All Regional and State Participating Schools:**

- Regional First-Places advance to State (10 total). Second-Place will not advance if First-Place becomes unable to compete.
- Maximum/Total play time of 30 minutes including audience reaction time. **After 30 minutes have lapsed, rank deduction occurs.**
- Cast/Tech: Maximum of 20 students total allowed. **Penalty: Disqualification**
- Liquids or items requiring stage sweeping are prohibited. Prohibited items include but are not limited to sprays, straw, glitter, confetti, sawdust, baby powder, cornstarch, etc. **Penalty: Disqualification**

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- Each play scheduled for a specific time slot of 1 hour which includes load-in/out, performance, and critique
- Audience consists of 3 judges, school directors, and event staff-masks required for all audience members
- Following performance, 1 judge provides comments to play cast-masks required for all involved
- Stage cleaning (as required) occurs during judge comments
- Students bring own water containers
- Next play sets up after everyone, except event staff, has vacated the auditorium
- Actors not required to wear masks while performing—students/directors must wear masks during setup/teardown
- Dressing rooms not available-actors must arrive in costume; makeup-moderation is recommended
- Scheduling of state plays will have to be determined by distance to prevent overnight stays-geographically closer schools will begin and end schedule
- Dining services not scheduled—schools must arrange for off-campus option; no eating on campus
- Judges and event staff bring own lunch and eat on shifts based on cast comments rotation

**Preliminary State Contest Schedule:**

**Tuesday, November 24**

- 9:00 Production 1
- 10:00 Production 2
- 11:00 Production 3
- 12:00 Production 4
- 1:00 Production 5
- 2:00 Production 6
- 3:00 Production 7
- 4:00 Production 8
- 5:00 Production 9
- 6:00 Production 10
- 7:30 Awards announced through zoom. Awards will be mailed or delivered.

**Regional Contest Considerations:**

- Based on local conditions, regional play contests may adopt any/all of state format changes
- If regions cannot secure school theatre space: Suggest 3 judge-only audience using hotel ballroom or other community space such as armory gymnasium, etc. for evaluation. Pipe/drape or similar could be used for offstage left/right
- Suggest regions declare draft schedules and format changes prior to registration deadlines (or earlier)
- Additional Educational Theatre Association (EdTA) recommendations may be accessed at:  
[https://higherlogicdownload.s3.amazonaws.com/SCHOOLTHEATRE/7f9e7fa8-ea41-4033-b6a3-1ce9da6a7b6f/UploadedFiles/HPVMgpNDtw2FWro1JLiL\\_EdTA\\_ReOpen\\_Guide\\_2020\\_FINAL.pdf](https://higherlogicdownload.s3.amazonaws.com/SCHOOLTHEATRE/7f9e7fa8-ea41-4033-b6a3-1ce9da6a7b6f/UploadedFiles/HPVMgpNDtw2FWro1JLiL_EdTA_ReOpen_Guide_2020_FINAL.pdf)