

# ISC Information Booklet for Schools

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2023 International Student Convention May 13-18  
Ridgecrest Conference Center  
Black Mountain, North Carolina

Precious few experiences will influence your students for their entire lifetime. International Student Convention represents one experience that can make that bold promise. Please review [Student Convention Guidelines](#) for more information, or call 615-612-5200.

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## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Registration/Participation fees will vary depending on the options you select during registration. See the options and fees below:

### VIRTUAL ONLY

\$30/person – School Registration Fee (Maximum \$300/School)  
\$100 – Contestant Fee

### VIRTUAL AND ON-CAMPUS COMBINATION (includes housing and meals)

\$30/person – School Registration Fee (Maximum \$300/School)  
\$370 – Student/Sponsor/Guest Fee

### VIRTUAL AND OFF-CAMPUS COMBINATION (no housing or meals included)

\$30/person – School Registration Fee (Maximum \$300/School)  
\$200 – Student/Sponsor Fee  
\$30 – Guest Fee

**NOTE:** Due to increased security measures, it will be necessary for ALL persons seeking admittance into any on-campus building to be registered. This applies to students, sponsors, and guests. All guests will be required to be registered – prior to arriving at ISC – with the school with which they are attending ISC.

## REGISTRATION

### PREREGISTRATION

Preregistration packets must be postmarked by April 21, 2023.

### REGISTRATION MAILING AND SHIPPING ADDRESSES

Please send all registration information by email to [studentconventions@aceschooloftomorrow.com](mailto:studentconventions@aceschooloftomorrow.com) or to either of the following addresses:

#### Mailing Address

A.C.E.  
Attn: ISC  
P.O. Box 2707  
Hendersonville, TN 37077-2707

#### Shipping Address

A.C.E.  
Attn: ISC  
130 Maple Drive North  
Hendersonville, TN 37075

If a receiving phone number for the shipping address is required, please use 615-612-5200.

## **ON-SITE REGISTRATION MAY 13**

On-site registration is from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. There will be NO LATE REGISTRATION.

## **DRESS CHECK**

There will be a mandatory dress check for all participants at registration. Come to Ridgecrest in appropriate Student Convention dress and with proper haircuts on registration day. Schools may not register unless all of the sponsors and students meet at least the nonrally dress code. See the [Student Convention Guidelines](#) for specific details.

## **CAMPUS INFORMATION**

### **NO EARLY ARRIVALS/THURSDAY NIGHT STAY OVERS**

Ridgecrest cannot accommodate any early arrivals (May 12) or Thursday night stay overs (May 18).

### **SHIPPING AND MAILING ADDRESS**

If it is necessary for you to ship something to the Convention, please clearly address USPS, UPS®, or FedEx® correspondence or packages as follows:

#### *Name of Participant*

Ridgecrest Conference Center  
Attention: Conferences (A.C.E.)  
P.O. Box 128  
Ridgecrest, NC 28770

If a receiving phone number is required, please use 828-669-3761.

### **LOST KEY FEE**

There will be a \$15 fee for a lost key.

### **WEATHER**

Average temperatures in May for the Black Mountain, North Carolina, area range from overnight lows in the 50s (12°C) to daytime highs in the mid-80s (29°C).

### **CHECKOUT**

All those staying on campus must check out of the residence halls before the Awards Ceremony (Thursday, May 18, 8 a.m.). The last meal provided by Ridgecrest will be breakfast on Thursday, May 18.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

Participants must make all arrangements for transportation to and from Ridgecrest Conference Center. Be sure your ENTIRE transportation arrangements are confirmed before departing from home. A.C.E. does not provide shuttle service within campus during ISC. Thus, transportation on and off campus is the responsibility of the schools/families.

**Air Travel:** Most major airlines serve the Charlotte-Douglas International Airport. Ridgecrest Conference Center is located in Black Mountain, North Carolina, which is about a 1-hour-40-minute drive from Charlotte-Douglas International Airport.

## **HOUSING AND MEALS**

### **GUESTS**

Guests 13 years of age and older may register with a school and stay in the residence halls. Men will stay in the boys' residence halls and ladies in the girls' residence halls. Fees are the same as for contestants and sponsors. **(CHILDREN UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE MAY NOT STAY IN RESIDENCE HALLS.)**

### **NEW SECURITY POLICY**

ISC Passports are now required for all individuals to enter ISC events and rallies. Please register guests with your school's preregistration. Any unregistered guests must go to Master Control upon arrival on campus to register with their school and receive a passport. Children under the age of six are not allowed in competition rooms.

## **GUIDELINES AND FORMS**

### **STUDENT CONVENTION GUIDELINES**

Current *Student Convention Guidelines* may be viewed [here](#).

### **SPONSOR FORMS (CF5)**

If you have a student who will have a sponsor from another school, a **copy** of that school's completed Sponsor Registration Form (CF5), with the appropriate signature, **must** be included in your registration packet. (Forms are available in the Forms section of the Guidelines.)

### **STUDENT CONVENTION SCREENING FORM (CF16)**

**ALL** schools must annually complete a Student Convention Screening Form (CF16) for conventions. (Forms are available in the Forms section of the Guidelines.)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **EXHIBIT ENTRIES**

Exhibits staff will be available to accept submitted entries in Johnson Spring Ballroom between the hours of 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. on Saturday, May 13. **These exhibits must be checked in on Saturday!**

### **JUDGES NEEDED**

International Student Convention is looking for qualified staff to assist in judging various areas of competition at this year's Convention. If you have training, experience, or other qualifications in a particular field and would be willing to assist as a paid judge in this vital area of Convention, please email the Student Convention Office at [studentconventions@aceschooloftomorrow.com](mailto:studentconventions@aceschooloftomorrow.com) or call 615-612-5200.

### **JUDGES' MEETING**

There will be a mandatory meeting for all judges on Sunday morning immediately following the worship service in the Spilman Auditorium.

### **SUNDAY 9 A.M.**

Attendance is strongly encouraged at the Sunday morning orientation and worship service. Rest, practice, and becoming acquainted with the location of buildings and competition rooms are encouraged after the service.

## **AWARDS CEREMONY**

Out of respect for each winner, plan to attend the entire Awards Ceremony. The Awards Ceremony should conclude around 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Thursday, May 18. Schools will not be able to receive their packets unless they stay until the end of the Convention. Please make travel arrangements accordingly.

## **ATHLETIC INFORMATION**

Basketball and Volleyball: Competition will begin at 8 a.m. on Monday. No practice courts will be available before competition. Male competitors in athletic events must wear loose-fitting, full-length sweat pants, warm-up pants, trousers, or knee-length hemmed shorts. Male students may not wear shorts outside of athletic competition areas. Please wear long warm-ups or pants over shorts while going to and from competition.

## **OPEN COMPETITION AT ISC**

Please note that no Regional Convention qualification is required for the following “official” events. (Students are encouraged to participate in these events at Regional Student Convention; however, it is not a requirement to qualify for International Student Convention.)

NOTE: These events count toward the total number of school and individual entries submitted/entered. (Total combined number of performance and nonperformance events must not exceed twelve.) Only six entries from each school, except for Soulwinning, Golden Apple, Golden Lamb, Golden Harp, Christian Soldier, Christian Worker, Scribe’s Award, and Consecutive Word Count.

- Bible Memory (#201)
- Website Design (#223)
- PowerPoint® Presentation-Linear (#224)
- PowerPoint®-Nonlinear (#225)
- Soulwinning (#230)
- Golden Apple (#231)
- Golden Lamb (#232)
- Golden Harp (#233)
- Christian Soldier (#234)
- Christian Worker (#235)
- Consecutive Word Count (#236)
- Scribe’s Award (#237)
- Metalworking (#313)
- Scrapbooking (#314)
- Pennant Design (#315)
- Formals (#352)
- Coats/Suits (#353)
- Knitting (#360)
- Afghans (#362)
- Color Guard (#461)
- Flag Corps (#462)
- Music Composition (#550)
- Music Arranging (#551)
- Dramatic Monologue (#603)
- Preaching—ages 13-15 (#609)
- Preaching—ages 16 and up (#610)
- Ventriloquism (#624)
- Interpretation for the Deaf (#626)
- Radio Program (#627)
- Scripture Video (#628)
- Group Bible Speaking (#629)
- A.C.E. Character Trait Video (#630)

## **GAME ZONE EVENTS FOR 2023**

This year's International Student Convention will feature a host of "Game Zone" events. These events are open to ALL participants attending International Student Convention and do not require Regional Convention qualification or preregistration.

All Game Zone event participants must conform to the dress and appearance guidelines for similar event categories.

No official events will be rescheduled due to conflicts with Game Zone. **All *Student Convention Guidelines* will apply for Game Zone events.**