

WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATORS IN RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY

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Greetings Program Directors, Coordinators, and Faculty!

We are excited to share the latest information on how this year's student exhibit competition will be run.

Here is what to expect:

This year, we kindly ask each school to provide contact information for at least two judges. If no faculty are available, feel free to reach out to clinical preceptors, managers, or supervisors at your school or clinical sites. Judges do not need to be radiographers—as long as they work in healthcare, they're eligible.

All judging (except for the top 5 essay presentations) will be done remotely from home. We'll provide rubrics and guidance, and judges are welcome to contact Katie Church with any questions.

❖ Since the Symposium is nearly four weeks earlier than last year, all deadlines have also moved up. All Exhibit Applications need to be submitted by January 23rd to be considered.

The exhibit deadlines are as follows:

ESSAY AND PRESENTATION DEADLINES	
Application:	January 23, 2026
Submission:	February 6, 2026
Judging Due by:	March 6, 2026
Presentation Date:	March 31st, 2026 at Symposium
COMPUTER, VIDEO and SCIENTIFIC EXHIBIT DEADLINES	
Application:	January 23, 2026
Submission:	February 13, 2026
Judging Due by:	March 13, 2026

❖ The top five essays will give a presentation of their topic at Symposium (exact day and time TBD). Once the schedule is finalized, presenters will be notified of exact times. Tentatively, we plan to begin 1 to 1.5 hours before the first speaker of the day.

Students will have time to test their equipment before presentations begin, so it's important that both students and judges arrive early. If your program has multiple student presenters, please have them load all presentations onto a single computer to streamline setup and reduce stress.

- All other exhibits will be displayed on the WSRT/WAERT website to allow judging to take place.
 - Videos should be up-loaded to YouTube® and link sent to exhibit co-chairs.

- ❖ Monetary awards are being confirmed that information will be shared once it is finalized.
- **Student names must not appear on any exhibit.** Each exhibit will be assigned a number, and that number should be used with the exhibit title.
 - Please emphasize this to your students—violations may result in point deductions or disqualification.
- ❖ Please submit applications via email. Students may send their own applications directly, or program directors can submit them on behalf of students—just be sure to copy all students on the message.

This year, applications will be provided in a **fillable PDF format** to help reduce errors caused by hard-to-read handwritten addresses. Students should complete the form electronically, save it to their computer, and email it to kchurch4@blackhawk.edu - the designated submission address.

- Once an application is received, the Program Director will be copied on the email notification sent to each student or group. This ensures programs are aware of student participation from the start.
 - If the student is *not* a senior (defined as someone planning to take the national registry in 2026), it is the program's responsibility to notify the Exhibit Chairs. **Students must be present to accept any awards.**
- We will be using the same rubrics as last year which will be posted on WSRT website for review.

We'll continue sharing updates in a timely manner, but please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Feel free to share this letter with your staff as needed.

Thank you! Katie and Troy

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