



EQUINE STABLE
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SA Interschool State Championships



26

FRIDAY 20th,
SATURDAY 21st
& SUNDAY 22nd March

Strathalbyn Polo and Recreation Grounds Callington Road, Strathalbyn

Welcome

Equestrian South Australia welcomes all competitors, school representatives, parents and friends to the 2026 Equestrian SA Interschool State Championships. We hope you have an enjoyable competition. Interschool SA aims to encourage school-aged riders to develop through the discipline of equestrian sport.

State Championships are designed to provide a high-level performance opportunity for individual athletes as well as involvement in a school sporting team. The experience of a strong equestrian team spirit within the structure of school teams is integral to the development of junior athletes.

To support the inclusion of athletes with additional needs in Interschool competitions, ESA Interschool will stage specific Interschool All Abilities Dressage and Show Horse classes at the 2026 State Championships. These classes will be offered at both Primary and Secondary levels to approved riders in possession of an EA Interschool exemption card or other form of accreditation recognised by EA National Interschool Rules.

Entries Close: Sunday 8th March 2026

Enter online only www.nominate.com.au

Dressage, Show Jumping, Combined Training, Show Horse & All Abilities

Enquiries to: interschool@equestriansa.com.au

General Information:

Please read this Schedule carefully as it contains important information on how to enter.

EA rules limit a horse/rider combination to a maximum of 3 starts per day which can include a maximum of 3 Show jumping rounds, 2 Dressage tests and 1 Combined Training level.

A daily start is considered

- 1 Dressage Test (Preliminary, Novice, Elementary or Medium)
- 1 Combined Training Height
- 1 Show Jumping Height (70cm, 80cm, 90cm, 100cm, 110cm, 120cm)
- 1 Show Horse Class

Camping & Stables

- Camping is available for \$20 per site per night.
- Stabling is available for \$20 per stable per day.

In addition to the entry fees, the following fees are payable on entry:

- \$40 volunteer fee per rider (which will be refunded if the rider provides a helper)
- \$40 medical fee per rider
- \$20 admin and grounds fee per rider

Membership and Registration requirements

Level of Competition	Horse Registration	Member Registration	Interschool Registration	School Consent Form
ESA Interschool High Points Award	Base or Full	Participant or Competitive	Yes	Yes
State Class or Discipline Championships	Base or Full	Participant or Competitive	Yes	Yes

Prizes and Awards

- 1st to 6th placings for Individual Phases
- Champion and Reserve Champion Class Winners
- Champion and Reserve Champion Discipline Winners
- Overall School Championship

School Teams

All riders from the same school are considered to be in the school team. The top four individual rider's scores for each school are considered for the team aggregate score. No composite teams are allowed. If a rider has two horses, each is treated as a separate combination for point scoring and only one can count in the top 4 riders for the school points. A trophy will be awarded to the highest placed school.

Points

Each phase/test in a class will have 25 points allocated from 1st receiving 25 points down to 25th receiving 1 point.

Champion and Reserve Champion will be determined based on the points earned across the phases/tests in a class, e.g. points earned in both novice dressage tests are added together to determine the Championship. In the event of equality of points in Showjumping, the rider with the highest place in Phase 1 (238.2.2) will be declared the Champion. In the event of equality of points in Dressage, the rider with the highest aggregate percentage at that level will be declared the Champion.

Championship points are awarded only where an athlete has completed all phases of a class without elimination or disqualification.

Provisional Timetable

May be subject to change

NOTE: This is a Provisional timetable only and is subject to change once all entries have been received and draws have been finalised. Please note that classes may start as early as 8am and finish as late as 5pm each day - please be prepared for this. For the most up to date information on the timetable, please follow us on Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/Interschool - Equestrian SA](https://www.facebook.com/Interschool-Equestrian-SA)

Friday 20th March 2026

Show Horse

Show Hunter: Primary, Intermediate & Senior Secondary

Show Horse: Primary, Intermediate & Senior Secondary

All Abilities (Show Horse)

Primary

Secondary

Saturday 21st March

Dressage

Primary Preliminary – 1.2

Primary Novice – 2.2

Intermediate Preliminary – 1.2

Intermediate Novice – 2.2

Senior Preliminary – 1.2

Senior Novice – 2.2

Senior Elementary – 3.2

Senior Medium 4.2

Senior Advanced – 5.2

Senior Inter 1

All Abilities (Dressage)

Primary

Secondary

Show Jumping

Primary 70 cm – Phase 1

Primary 80cm – Phase 1

Primary 90cm – Phase 2

Intermediate 90cm – Phase 2

Intermediate 100cm – Phase 1

Senior 90cm – Phase 2

Senior 100cm – Phase 1

Secondary 110cm – Phase 2

Secondary 120cm – Phase 1

Combined Training

Primary CT – 50cm, 65cm, 80cm

Secondary CT – 65cm, 80cm, 95cm, 105cm

Sunday 22nd March 2026

Dressage

Primary Preliminary – 1.3

Primary Novice – 2.3

Intermediate Preliminary – 1.3

Intermediate Novice – 2.3

Senior Preliminary 1.3

Senior Novice – 2.3

Senior Elementary – 3.3

Senior Medium 4.3

Senior Advanced – 5.3

Prix St Georges

All Abilities (Dressage)

Primary

Secondary

Show Jumping

Primary 70cm – Phase 2

Primary 80cm – Phase 2

Primary 90cm – Phase 1

Intermediate 90cm – Phase 1

Intermediate 100cm – Phase 2

Senior 90cm – Phase 1

Senior 100cm – Phase 2

Secondary 110cm – Phase 1

Secondary 120cm – Phase 2

Combined Training

Primary CT – 50cm, 65cm, 80cm

Secondary CT – 65cm, 80cm, 95cm, 105cm

2026 Show Horse Championships

Sponsored by Oakbank Farm

Friday Only

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- Show Horse Classes run under current EA National Show Horse Rules and EA National Interschool Show Horse Rules (effective 1 January 2026).
- Riders must complete all phases in the class on the same horse to place in the Championship.
- Rider and Horse/Pony combinations may compete in one class only and must choose between Show Horse, and Show Hunter. Each class will have a timed draw, and all riders will complete an individual workout for each phase. ESA Interschool has the right to determine in which order the phases will be held.
- Riders will be advised of workouts for all phases prior to the event. The name of the judge shall also be disclosed prior to the event to enable the declaration of Conflict of Interest according to the EA National Interschool Show Horse Rules.
- Gaiters are not allowed for riders under 18 years in Phase 2.
- Gloves are compulsory for all Show classes.
- Entry fee: \$40 per class (includes the 3 phases)

1. Primary – Show Horse Phases 1, 2 and 3
2. Intermediate Secondary – Show Horse Phases 1, 2 and 3
3. Senior Secondary – Show Horse Phases 1, 2 and 3
4. Primary – Show Hunter Phases 1, 2 and 3
5. Intermediate Secondary – Show Hunter Phases 1, 2 and 3
6. Senior Secondary - Show Hunter Phases 1, 2 and 3

Phase 1 - In hand

Judges how well a rider can handle their horse, NOT how well their horse is able to lead.

Phase 2 - Rider -

Judges the rider, not smartest on parade or turnout.

Phase 3 - Ridden

Judges the horse as a show horse or show hunter.

2026 All Abilities Championships

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Friday

ESA Interschool shall recognise the EA Interschool exemption card to support the safe and fair participation of school-aged equestrians in All Abilities classes. To apply for an approved Interschool Exemption, athletes must meet strict eligibility criteria, including the submission of relevant medical documentation. Applications must be endorsed by the Interschool SA Committee and assessed in consultation with the EA Exemption Committee, as appointed by the ESA Office. Please contact the Interschool SA Committee for further information.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION (SHOW HORSE)

- Riders accredited to compete in All Abilities classes may compete in one open show horse class, in addition to the All Abilities Show Horse class to be held on the same day.
- Riders may choose not to compete in all three phases of the All Abilities Show Horse class but will be ineligible for the championship.
- Riders must nominate which level they wish to compete at (SH1 or SH2) as shown below.
- Entry fee (All Abilities Show Horse): \$40 per class (includes the 3 phases)

1.Primary All Abilities Show Horse

Friday – SH1 or SH2

2.Secondary All Abilities Show Horse

Friday – SH1 or SH2

All Abilities Show Horse

*riders may choose not to compete in all 3 phases, but will be ineligible for the championship

Level	Class/ Phase	State	National
SH 1 - Walk & optional trot	1.Led	Yes	Yes
SH 1 - Walk & optional trot	2.Rider class with workout	Yes	Yes
SH 1 - Walk & optional trot	3. Ridden class, judged as horse rider combination harmony & suitability	Yes	Yes
SH 2 - Walk/Trot & optional Canter	1.Led	Yes	Yes
SH 2 - Walk/Trot & optional Canter	2.Rider class with workout	Yes	Yes
SH 2 - Walk/Trot & optional Canter	3. Ridden class, judged as horse rider combination harmony & suitability	Yes	Yes

2026 All Abilities Championships

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Dressage Saturday and Sunday

IMPORTANT INFORMATION (ALL ABILITIES DRESSAGE)

- All Abilities dressage tests will be run under current EA National Para Dressage (EAPD) rules (effective 1 January 2026).
- A maximum of 2 dressage tests per combination per day is allowed (this includes any dressage test ridden by the same combination in the Open competition)
- A horse/rider combination may only compete in one All Abilities level dressage test per day.
- Riders may choose not to compete in both tests, but will be ineligible for the championship.
- Callers are permitted in All Abilities dressage,
- Gloves are compulsory for All Abilities classes, unless listed as an approved exemption on the card issued for that rider,
- All tests are EAPD 2023 (as noted below) and riders must nominate the level they wish to compete.
- Entry Fee (All Abilities Dressage) - \$60 per level (2 dressage tests) per horse

3. Primary All Abilities Dressage

Saturday – Class A Sunday – Class B

4. Secondary All Abilities Dressage

Saturday- Class A Sunday – Class B

All Abilities Dressage

***riders may choose not to compete in both tests, but will be ineligible for the championship**

Level	Class	Test	State	National
D1 - Walk Only	A	EAPD Grade 1 Preparatory Test Level 1 2023	Yes	Yes
D1 - Walk Only	B	EAPD Grade 1 Preliminary Test Level 2 2023	Yes	Yes
D2 - Walk/Trot	A	EAPD Grade 11 Preliminary Test Level 2 2023	Yes	Yes
D2 - Walk/Trot	B	EAPD Grade 111 Preliminary Test Level 2 2023	Yes	Yes
D3 - Walk/Trot/Canter	A	EAPD Grade 1V Preliminary Test Level 2 2023	Yes	Yes
D3 - Walk/Trot/Canter	B	EAPD Grade V Preliminary Test Level 2 2023	Yes	Yes

2026 Dressage Championships

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Saturday and Sunday

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- All dressage tests will be run under current EA National Dressage rules.
- A maximum of 2 dressage tests per combination per day is allowed (this includes a dressage test in a Combined Training competition)
- A horse/rider combination may only compete in two consecutive levels
- Callers permitted for Preliminary, Novice, Elementary, Medium and Advanced Dressage Classes only, for both Primary and Secondary riders.
- Headsets/ ear phones are not permitted
- Gloves are compulsory for all Dressage
- All tests are EA 2023 (Except for FEI tests noted below)
- **Entry Fee - \$60 per level (2 tests) per horse**

1.Primary Preliminary Dressage Saturday – 1.2	Sunday – 1.3
2.Intermediate Preliminary Dressage Saturday 1.2	Sunday 1.3
3.Secondary Preliminary Dressage Saturday 1.2	Sunday 1.3
4.Primary Novice Dressage Saturday 2.2	Sunday 2.3
5.Intermediate Novice Dressage Saturday 2.2	Sunday 2.3
6.Secondary Novice Dressage Saturday 2.2	Sunday 2.3
7.Secondary Elementary Dressage Saturday 3.2	Sunday 3.3
8.Secondary Medium Dressage Saturday 4.2	Sunday 4.3
9.Secondary Advanced Dressage Saturday 5.2	Sunday 5.3
10.Secondary Inter 1 Saturday FEI Inter 1	
11.Secondary Prix St Georges Dressage Sunday FEI Prix St Georges	

2026 Show Jumping Championships

Saturday and Sunday

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Showjumping competitions will be conducted under the current EA National Sports Rules for Jumping.
- A maximum of 3 show jumping starts per combination per day is allowed (This includes a show jumping round and a Combined Training competition)
- A horse/rider combination may only compete in two consecutive height levels
- Entry Fee - \$60 per level (2 phases) per horse

1.Primary 70cm SJ - **Sponsored by Nick Roberts Equine Dental Services**

Saturday – Article 238.2.2 Sunday – Article 238.2.1

2.Primary 80cm SJ - **Sponsored by Nick Roberts Equine Dental Services**

Saturday – Article 238.2.1 Sunday – Article 238.2.2

3.Primary 90cm SJ - **Sponsored by Nick Roberts Equine Dental Services**

Saturday – Article 238.2.2 Sunday – Article 238.2.1

4.Intermediate 90cm SJ - **Sponsored by Aaron Bain Racing**

Saturday – Article 238.2.2 Sunday – Article 238.2.1

5.Senior 90cm SJ - **Sponsored by Aaron Bain Racing**

Saturday – Article 238.2.2 Sunday – Article 238.2.1

6.Intermediate 100cm SJ - **Sponsored by Aaron Bain Racing**

Saturday – Article 238.2.1 Sunday – Article 238.2.2

7.Secondary 100cm SJ - **Sponsored by Mallala Equestrian Centre**

Saturday – Article 238.2.1 Sunday – Article 238.2.2

8.Secondary 110cm SJ - **Sponsored by Mallala Equestrian Centre**

Saturday – Article 238.2.2 Sunday – Article 238.2.1

9.Secondary 120cm SJ - **Sponsored by Mallala Equestrian Centre**

Saturday – Article 238.2.1 Sunday – Article 238.2.2

Table A Article 238.2.2 - One Round with a Jump Off This is a competition against the clock, but in the event of equality of penalties for first place, there will be one jump-off against the clock. Other athletes are placed according to their penalties and time in the first round. The jump off course will be raised by 5cm in a jump off.

Table A Article 238.2.1 - One Round against the Clock Athletes with equality of penalties for any place are placed in accordance with the time taken to complete the round. In the event of equality of penalties and time for first place, there may be a jump-off over a shortened course over obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread in accordance with the provisions of the schedule. Please note, this is only if penalties **and** times are exactly the same so is very rare that this second round jump off is ever run.

2026 Combined Training Championships

Saturday and Sunday

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- All Interschool Combined Training will be run under the current EA National Eventing rules, excluding any minimum eligibility requirements
- A horse/rider combination may only compete in two consecutive height levels (on separate days).
- A horse/rider combination may only compete in 1 Combined Training level per day.
- No whip is allowed in the dressage phase, however whips of no more than 75cm are allowed in the jumping phase.
- Callers are permitted up to and including 95cm for the dressage phase.
- Headsets/ ear phones are not permitted.
- There will be a combined training class conducted each day. Competitors will be required to compete in one Combined Training class on each day in order to be eligible for the class and discipline championship.
- Entry Fee - \$60 per class per day

Saturday 21st March

01. Primary 50cm CT Eventing Test A 45-60cm 2020 - Sponsored by Ned Taylor Bloodstock
02. Primary 65cm CT Eventing Test A 45-60cm 2020 - Sponsored by Ned Taylor Bloodstock
03. Primary 80cm CT Eventing Test B 80cm 2020 - Sponsored by Ned Taylor Bloodstock
04. Secondary 65cm CT Eventing Test A 45-60cm 2020 - Sponsored by Jaimie Stichel Eventing
05. Secondary 80cm CT Eventing Test B 80cm 2020 - Sponsored by Palm Beach Motor Yachts
06. Secondary 95cm CT Eventing Test B 95cm 2020 - Sponsored by Palm Beach Motor Yachts
07. Secondary 105cm CT EA CCN1* Test B 2020 - Sponsored by Palm Beach Motor Yachts

Sunday 22nd March

08. Primary 50cm CT Eventing Test A 45-60cm 2020 - Sponsored by Ned Taylor Bloodstock
09. Primary 65cm CT Eventing Test A 45-60cm 2020 - Sponsored by Ned Taylor Bloodstock
10. Primary 80cm CT Eventing Test B 80cm 2020 - Sponsored by Ned Taylor Bloodstock
11. Secondary 65cm CT Eventing Test A 45-60cm 2020 - Sponsored by Jaimie Stichel Eventing
12. Secondary 80cm CT Eventing Test B 80cm 2020 - Sponsored by Palm Beach Motor Yachts
13. Secondary 95cm CT Eventing Test B 95cm 2020 - Sponsored by Palm Beach Motor Yachts
14. Secondary 105cm CT EA CCN1* Test B 2020 - Sponsored by Palm Beach Motor Yachts

Conduct for ESA Interschool Events

As a condition of entry, all participants shall accept and be bound by the rules of Equestrian Australia. All competitors and their associates shall accept and be bound by the Equestrian Australia Codes of Conduct for Competitors, Spectators, Horses, Volunteers as well as other relevant Codes and Policies relating to the conducting of an equestrian event. The conduct of members of the sport overall is controlled by the "EA Member Protection Policy" which can be found on the Equestrian Australia website.

Please refer to the Codes of Conduct in the ESA Interschool Handbook.

Important Etiquette

Please respect the riders and horses by not yelling, running or interrupting when they are competing. It is particularly important during a busy competition to exercise restraint and quiet where possible, since horses are upset by sudden noise and movement and could endanger children and others on the grounds.

Please be mindful when entering classes that the welfare of the horse is paramount and organisers have the right to refuse entries should they believe this has been breached.

Riders

Only the nominated Interschool athlete competing in any given discipline/class may ride the nominated horse., on or off the grounds, on the day/s of competition until the whole event is concluded.

Lunging

Lunging by someone other than the nominated athlete is permitted, however lunging may be restricted to designated areas.

Exemption Card (including both Open and All Abilities classes)

Any Exemption Card must be presented to ESA Interschool Committee at time of nomination and kept with the rider at all times during the competition. Riders may present either an EA Exemption Card, a Para Equestrian Classification Card, Virtus classification or an approved EA Interschool card as reviewed by the EA Exemption Committee.

An Exemption Card will not disclose the rider's specific disability but outlines approved modifications to rules which are provided to Stewards and Judges.

Uniform

Riders are to wear a shirt with either a school windcheater, jumper or hacking jacket (not school blazer) or their school's recognised equestrian uniform. White or light-coloured breeches or jodhpurs. Long or short riding boots. Riders may wear gaiters made from full grain leather, either black or brown to match boots.

Helmets

Athletes must ride in EA approved safety helmets at all times as per National Sport Rules for each discipline. Helmets must be securely fastened and failure to comply with this regulation will result in elimination from the competition. Riders competing in Showjumping and Combined Training must have their helmet tagged with a current visible EA 'helmet tag'.

Whips, bits and other gear

As per EA Rules for each discipline.

Soundness

The judges are required to satisfy themselves regarding the soundness of all horses, therefore judges have the authority to stop an unsound horse from competing prior to or during competition.

Draw

The draw will be strictly adhered to. To keep the event running as close to schedule as possible, we will need the cooperation of riders and parents to ensure that riders are on time for their classes. Allocated rider times may vary slightly, but the draw order will not – unless there are individual scheduling conflicts. Riders must be ready to ride in the order in which they are called. Due to the nature of the Interschool Competition, it is likely that the draw will be tight. It is therefore the rider's responsibility to enter an appropriate number of Interschool classes. While Interschool SA will endeavour to accommodate all riders' competitive needs with respect to the draw, riders are under no circumstances permitted to request for a draw to be re-scheduled to meet their needs.

Course walk (Combined Training and Showjumping)

Course plans will be posted at the entry gate. The course will be opened for walking 10 minutes prior to the commencement of the class. Riders are to listen for announcements regarding their class and present in draw order when required.

Protests

No competitors or parents are to directly approach any judges, stewards, course builders or any other officials or volunteers before, during or after the competition with disputes or complaints. Any protests must be in writing and signed and handed to the show secretary within 30 minutes of the event in question with a \$100 fee. ESA Interschool will determine the outcome of the protest, if upheld the fee will be refunded.

In the interests of promoting a friendly competitive atmosphere, individual riders, or their parents, may approach ESA Interschool for any of the following:

- ask clarifying questions;
- request a recheck or recalculation on a result should an obvious error be noted; and/or bring to the attention of ESA Interschool other errors (such as a rider allocated to the wrong school, or a child allocated to a primary class when they should ride secondary).

Presentations

Competition attire is to be worn. Ribbons will be forfeited if neither the competitor nor a representative is present. No protests or disputes will be entered into after the presentations. All athletes are expected to attend presentations.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Neither Equestrian South Australia (ESA) or ESA Interschool nor any of their officers, servants, or agents shall be in any way liable for anything that may happen from any cause or circumstances whatever to exhibitors, competitors or members or their servants, agents or to anyone on the grounds or to any animals or article exhibited or to any property brought to the grounds or for any other loss, claim, matter, circumstances or event whatsoever in connection with or arising out of or attributable to the event or any journey to or from the event or any other Rules and Regulations or Special Conditions prescribed by them.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

ESA Interschool as the Organisers of the South Australian Interschool State Championships reserves the right to:

- cancel any class or event
- divide any class
- amend the program as they see fit
- transfer riders between sections of a class
- alter the advertised times refuse any entry, with or without stating the reason.

Conditions of Entry

In addition to the Conduct for ESA Equestrian Events, the following conditions apply:

01. **Closing date of entries – Sunday 8th March 2026**
02. All entries via Nominate: <https://www.nominate.com.au/equestdn/Nominate.aspx>
03. Classes are open to all children currently attending school.
04. The event is to be run under EA/FEI rules insofar as they are applicable to this event. It is the responsibility of all riders to understand the rules relating to the classes they are entering. We strongly recommend that all competitors obtain a copy of the relevant discipline rules through the EA website.
05. Riders entering classes must bear in mind the welfare of the rider, horse and relevant EA rules for the discipline relating to the number of starts per day.
06. **Primary Competition** – is restricted to riders enrolled up to and including year/grade 6 in the year of competition.
07. **Intermediate Competition** (where offered) – is for those enrolled in year/grade 7, 8 and 9 inclusive in the year of competition.
08. **Secondary Competition** – is for those enrolled in year/grade 7 to 12 inclusive in the year of competition.
09. **Interstate Competitors:** competitors from other states are eligible to compete in the ESA Interschool State Championships. Riders from interstate will not be eligible for selection for the SA team and should represent the state in which they attend school. Results of Interstate competitors will not count toward the school perpetual trophy and will not be eligible for overall state champion of each class.
10. Stallions are NOT permitted at any Interschool competitions.
Stallions or colts are **not permitted** on the grounds at any time during the event.
11. All horses and ponies must be four (4) years of age or older to compete in Interschool competitions. Horses' ages are assessed from 1 August of the year of birth.
12. The organisers reserve the right to remove any unruly horses or persons from the grounds for the safety and welfare of other horses/persons
13. **Scratching:** 50% of entry fee less \$30 administration fee will be refunded only if Veterinary Certificate or Doctors Certificate is produced within 3 days of the competition. Once an entry is accepted, the Admin Fee is non-refundable. Entry fees will not be refunded after the start of the competition.
14. **School consent forms are required with entry** if you have not already provided to ESA Interschool.
15. **Qualifications** are not necessary to be eligible for the Interschool competition.
16. **Gear:** The checking of gear is the responsibility of the rider. Discipline rules can be found on the EA website. Judges have the right to eliminate a rider if they compete in the incorrect gear.
17. **Helpers:** It is a condition of entry into official Interschool classes for the rider to nominate a helper who will be tasked with a job for the event. It is the responsibility of the rider and their support people to complete the roster on arrival at the competition and the tasks allocated. Failure to allocate a helper and/or to complete the task will result in disqualification from the competition. Any placings will be forfeited.
18. **Dogs** must be on a leash and under control at all times. Dogs are not allowed in marshalling or competition areas.
19. **Liability: neither ESA Interschool, ESA, EA nor the owners/lessees of the venue accept any liability for accident, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, persons or property whatsoever.**

We would like to thank the generous sponsors
of the ESA Interschool State Championships



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