



PLAYER EXPERIENCE GUIDE





WELCOME CONTENDERS TO THE CECC 2024

We are glad to have you and see you play!

On behalf of the sponsors, partners, EsportsU, and CSMG, we would like to welcome you to the largest collegiate esports experience ever!

On May 3rd, 4th and 5th, 84 teams of the top players in all of college esports will compete for glory, bragging rights, trophies, and of course - prize money. However before we get to that, there is important information that we would like to share with you. This information is intended to maximize your experience, inform you of events and activities throughout the weekend, and answer any general questions that you may have.

Please pay careful attention to this document. We hope that it is helpful for you as you prepare for your journey to Arlington.

GL & HF,

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EVP Esports, CSMG



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PURCHASING TICKETS

“The only thing better than playing on stage is playing on stage in front of an audience.”

The CECC 2024 experience is open to more than just the competitive players. We encourage you to share the opportunity to attend to all members of your program, campus club, and local communities.

Don't worry either - there are plenty of activities for attendees to participate in beyond watching the competition. Flash tournaments, sponsor booths, free-play gaming, expert panels, and community meet and greets are available for everyone.

Tickets will go live on our website.

There are many different options to ensure everyone's experience can match with their schedule. Please do note that anyone who is not a competing student will be required to purchase a ticket.

Due to ticketing being coordinated by a third party provider and the venue, refunds may not be available. In case of an emergency, please contact an EsportsU representative via the EsportsU Discord.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Keep up on the latest updates, follow the action, and share your victories with your friends back home!

There are multiple channels to keep in the loop with EsportsU and the CECC. Please make sure to share this information with your players, friends, and everyone back home - so that they can know exactly when to cheer you on, and where to find you!

 **Twitter** - <https://twitter.com/EsportsUGaming>

 **Discord** - <http://discord.gg/esportsu>

 **Website** - <https://collegiatesmg.com/>

 **Twitch** - <https://www.twitch.tv/esportsu>

 **Twitch** - <https://www.twitch.tv/esportsu2>

Information and updates are shared in real time on both Discord and Twitter. Please visit the website for ticketing and general information.

The EsportsU Discord in particular is a vibrant and massive scholastic gaming community.

Please make sure to visit the **#CECC-TX channels** for direct access to brackets, schedules, and other downloadable information!

Lastly, please make sure to tag the EsportsU Twitter in your posts & content surrounding the CECC! Tag us **@EsportsU** or use the following hashtags **#CECC** or **#CECCTexas2024**

FLIGHTS & HOTEL INFORMATION

“It’s never too early to plan your flight, or your bed.”

At EsportsU, we understand that traveling to a LAN can be a daunting experience. Depending on where you live, the costs may be high - but don’t worry! We’re here to help!

HOTELS

CSMG and EsportsU have knocked on doors and secured a variety of fantastic hotel block rate discounts for you and your team! Please visit this link on our website in order to browse the best available rates. If you do not see an option that stands out to you, we highly recommend using Airbnb to book lodging that is accessible to the venue.

Due to the early start times for matches on Saturday and Sunday, we do not recommend booking lodging further than 20 minutes from the venue.

<https://www.collegiatesmg.com/cecctexas2024>

FLIGHTS

Flights can often be the most overlooked part when traveling to a LAN. We recommend booking your flights as early as possible, with an arrival date no later than Thursday 4pm CT. Delta and Southwest are the most connected providers to DFW however there are also United, Spirit, and other options available.

Please be considerate of media day expectations on Friday. All teams and players are requested to participate in media day activities and to attend the 7:00PM CST Jersey Ceremony.

NEARBY ACTIVITIES

Arrived early in Arlington? Already gone through your Media Day and check in experience? You're in luck, because there's plenty to do!

Local Attractions

Arlington Museum of Art - *Arlington Museum of Art*

Entertainment District Art Trail - *Entertainment District Sculpture & Art Trail | Arlington, Texas*

Planetarium at UT Arlington - *The Planetarium at UT Arlington*

Top O' Hill Terrace Historic Site - *Top O' Hill Terrace (arlington.org)*

Partnered Attractions

Six Flags over Texas located near the arena is offering heavily discounted tickets to all CECC attendees.

Originally \$129 day tickets are discounted to **\$32.99** (includes Theme Park and Parking) <https://www.sixflags.com/overtexas>

***Promo Code- CECC2024**

Hours of Operation:

Friday May 3rd: 10:30am-6pm CST

Saturday May 4th: 11am - 9pm CST

Sunday May 5th: 11am - 8 pm CST

K1 Speed Race Course - K1 Speed

Buy 2 Get 1 Free + race license --> \$48.95

Stadium Tours

AT&T Stadium Tours

- Based on price, ranges from 60-120 minutes featuring 5-10 behind the scenes stops
- Self-Guided: \$25/person
- VIP: \$40/person
- Other options

If you are looking to book a tour and explore other options, please contact: **Damon Wright - dwright-c@dallascowboys.net**

Nearby Restaurants

McDonald's - Type of Food: Fast Food

Burgers and Fries, Chicken

915 E Randol Mill Rd, Arlington, TX 76011

20 Minute Walk from ESA

Parkside Bar & Grill - Type of Food: Bar,

Americana, Mexican

1500 Convention Center Dr, Arlington, TX

76011

5 Minute Walk from ESA

Guadalajara Mariscos Mexican - Type of

Food: Mexican

1004 E Division St, Arlington, TX 76011

34 Minute Walk from ESA

Bodacious Bar-B-Q - Type of Food: BBQ

1206 E Division St, Arlington, TX 7601

30 Minute Walk from ESA

THURSDAY ACTIVITIES

What's a LAN without a few pre-emptive celebrations and activities? Below are a few important things to keep in mind as you arrive in the esports hub of the South - Arlington!

MEDIA DAY (12:00pm - 6:30pm CST)

Media Day is hosted by EsportsU as an all day activity designed to best celebrate YOU - the players! Upon your arrival and check in to your lodging, we ask that you and your team please set aside (2) hours of your time to visit the Esports Stadium Arlington for Media Day.

During Media Day, players will receive the star treatment that esports deserves!

- *Get your picture taken on the Red Carpet and show off your school pride*
- *Pick up your badges and weekend schedule*
- *Our professional photographers will take individual headshots and team photos to use for the live broadcast over the weekend.*
- *Coaches, Captains, and Directors are invited to be interviewed for featurettes to tell the story of your school and the journey that you've taken to be here with us today.*
- *Familiarize yourself with a venue tour by our staff and receive a sneak peak of the floor and stage setups!*
- *Meet with the Tournament Organizers to answer any questions you may have before the action begins.*
- *Schedule time to practice on the PCs in the stadium.*

Media Day experiences are estimated to take (30) minutes per team and are only available to the coaches, directors, and players.

JERSEY CEREMONY (7:00pm - 9:00pm CST)

At 6:30pm, we require all teams to meet at the venue for the Preemptive Opening Jersey Ceremony. Teams are required to wear their School Jerseys or Spirit Apparel for this experience, with event jerseys presented on stage to the teams.

During this time, players will experience

- *Keynote addresses from EsportsU and title sponsors*
- *Commemorative group photos and photography up on the stage!*
- *Players will be receiving their CECC jersey for the weekend's tournament.*

FRIDAY ACTIVITIES

Friday kicks us off with the first day of a long weekend of exciting activities!

Day Start for Teams: 9:30am CST

Due to the size of all events, we kindly ask that all players arrive at the venue by no later than 10am CST.

You may download this document directly from the EsportsU discord as well!

Friday Match Schedule (ALL CST TIMES)

Valorant

9:00 AM – Warm-ups
10:00 AM – Pools 1 and 2 Opening Matches
11:00 AM – Pool 2 Winners Matches and Loser's Round 1
12:30 PM – Pool 1 Round 2
1:30 PM – Pool 2 Loser's Round 2

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate

10:00 AM – Warm-ups
11:00 AM – Opening Matches
12:30 PM – Winner's Round 1
2:00 PM – Warm-ups
3:00 PM – Loser's Round 1 and Winner's Quarters
4:30 PM – Loser's Round 2

Rocket League

9:30 AM – Warm-ups
10:00 AM – Groups A & B Double Elimination
1:00 PM – Warm-ups
1:30 PM – Groups C & D Double Elimination & Pool 1 Matches
4:30 PM – Warm-ups
5:00 PM – Round of 12

Overwatch 2

3:30 PM – Warm-ups
4:30 PM – Pools 1 and 2 Opening Matches
5:30 PM – Pool 1 Round 2, Pool 2 Loser's Round 1 and Pool 2 Winners Matches
6:30 PM – Pool 2 Loser's Round 2

*EsportsU will notify any teams if there are any necessary schedule changes

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

Saturday kicks us off with the second day of a long weekend of exciting activities!

Day Start for Teams: 9:30am CST

Due to the size of all events, we kindly ask that all players arrive at the venue by no later than 10am CST.

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Saturday Match Schedule (ALL CST TIMES)

Valorant

9:00 AM – Warm-ups
9:30 AM – Round of 12 - Single Elimination
12:00 PM – Warm-ups
12:30 PM – Quarterfinals

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate

9:00 AM – Warm-ups
9:30 AM – Winner's Semis and Loser's Round 3
11:00 AM – Loser's Round 4
12:30 PM – Winner's Finals and Loser's Quarters
2:00 PM – Loser's Semifinals
3:30 PM – Loser's Finals

Rocket League

10:30 AM – Warm-ups
11:00 AM – Quarterfinals
12:30 PM – Semifinals

Overwatch 2

9:30 AM – Warm-ups
10:00 AM – Round of 12 - Single Elimination
11:00 AM – Warm-ups
11:30 AM – Quarterfinals
5:00 PM – Warm-ups
5:30 PM – Semifinals

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SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

Sunday will conclude our weekend of the CECC, and our year long season of competitive play!

Day Start for Teams: **9:00am CT**

Due to the size of all events, we kindly ask that all players arrive at the venue by no later than **9:45am CT**.

You may download this document directly from the EsportsU discord as well!

PLEASE NOTE THAT GRAND FINALS ARE EXPECTED TO FINISH NO LATER THAN 7:00PM CT ON SUNDAY MAY 7th

Sunday Match Schedule (ALL CST TIMES)

Valorant

9:00 AM – Warm-ups
10:00 AM – Semifinals
1:30 PM – Warm-ups
2:30 PM – Finals

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate

9:30 AM – Warm-ups
10:00 AM – Finals

Rocket League

11:30 AM – Warm-ups
12:30 PM – Finals

Overwatch 2

5:00 PM – Warm-ups
5:30 PM – Finals

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At EsportsU, we understand that travel and flight schedules may vary based on destination. We ask that you and your team plan the best travel strategy that works for you, while taking into consideration match times.

For those who have a Sunday Checkout at your hotel, we recommend one of two options:

- Utilize Hotel Bag holding services at your local hotel to store your luggage until you are ready to depart. Please consider the travel time back to your hotel and then to Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport in your planning.
- Store your luggage at the venue. The EsportsU team can store luggage onsite at the Stadium. This is a free service and is intended to best convenience you and your fellow players. Please note that this service is only offered to competing players & corresponding coaches, captains, and directors.

FAQs

What does CECC stand for?

- Collegiate Esports Commissioners Cup.

How does a team qualify for the CECC?

- For the 2023-2024 school year, teams played in live or virtual invitationals to qualify. Check the EsportsU Discord and Twitter for information about a qualifier near you!.

When and where does the CECC happen?

- The Collegiate Esports Commissioners Cup 2024 will take place on May 3-5 at Esports Stadium Arlington.

Can I buy tickets to the event?

- Yes, check the EsportsU Discord for announcements when ticketing goes live.

Can I buy group discounted tickets to the event?

- Contact csmginfo@collegiatesmg.com for more information.

What is the weekend schedule for the event?

- The entire weekend schedule can be found here: <https://www.collegiatesmg.com/cecctexas2024>

What games are played in the CECC?

- Overwatch 2, Rocket League, Valorant, and Super Smash Bros. Ultimate.

Where can the matches be watched?

- Matches can be watched mostly on these two Twitch channels:
<https://www.twitch.tv/esportsu> & <https://www.twitch.tv/esportsu2>

What are the Covid-19 public health regulations?

- Review the City of Arlington website for more information:
<https://www.arlington.org/arlington-covid19-information/>

What are the rules?

[Valorant](#) | [Overwatch 2](#) | [Rocket League](#) | [SSBU](#)

Where are the tournament brackets?

VALORANT [CLICK HERE](#)

OVERWATCH 2 [CLICK HERE](#)

ROCKET LEAGUE [CLICK HERE](#)

Super Smash Bros. Ultimate [CLICK HERE](#)

What is the weekend schedule for the event?

- Doors are open 9am - 10pm CST on Saturday
- Doors are open 9am - 7pm CST on Sunday

Have more questions? Ask in the EsportsU Discord at [Discord.gg/EsportsU](https://discord.gg/EsportsU)

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