

Wild West High School AND Junior High Invitational 2019

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The Wild West Invitational tournament will take place on Friday, February 1st and Saturday, February 2nd. We will have trophies for finalists in High School, Junior High divisions will receive medals and certificates, and sweepstakes trophies will be presented in all divisions. **We will utilize a two-fold method of tabulation. One method will be cumulative. This is the most common method used in Arkansas. Each of your entries dependent on their rank, win-loss record, and placement will receive points for your school. This is not capped by a 'sweep-slate'** The other method will be based upon squad efficiency. This will be determined based upon the ratio of breaks per individual student competing for your school. Therefore we will be offering the following sweepstake categories; Cumulative Sweeps, Squad Efficiency Sweeps, Junior High Sweeps. Junior High Schools will not be included in the calculation of Cumulative and Squad Efficiency Sweeps. If you have specific questions about this method, please contact rachelmauchline@gmail.com

Deadline for entries will be **FRIDAY, JANUARY 25TH by 4:00 p.m.** After this time, drops and adds will need to be emailed directly to Rachel Mauchline at rachelmauchline@gmail.com and you will be charged a drop/add fee. There will be a \$10 fee for every add or drop to your entries/judges after this date.

REMINDER: 1 Judge Per 10 IE Entries. 1 Judge Per 10 JH Debate Entries. 1 Judge Per 2 HS Debate Entries. 1 Judge Per 10 Congress Entries. There will be \$10 fee for every judge you fail to provide. Judges are ALWAYS a problem, so we will be grateful for any "extra" judges you can bring! Entries may be limited for schools that do not provide the

required number of judges. Please state any times your judges are unavailable on Tabroom with your registration. If your judge's time commitment changes, please contact rachelmauchline@gmail.com

Students may enter multiple events in a given round, but double entry policies must be followed, and rounds will not be held late to accommodate students with multiple entries. Students may only enter one debate event, and policy debate students will not be able to individual events. High School students in other styles of debate will be able to enter both Pattern A and B events, with the understanding that if they miss those rounds, refunds will not be granted. Please be aware of the schedule and that we will not hold rounds for students in multiple events. **There will not be refunds provided if your students fail to attend a round.**

Inclusivity Statement: For our transgender students, we provide a gender neutral bathroom. Our gender neutral bathroom is located by the PAC near the ticket booth. Also, if anyone needs handicap accessible rooms, please reach out so we can make our tournament as accessible to everyone as possible! We have an elevator located in the commons area for anyone to use throughout the tournament.

New Rules: We will be utilizing the new updated rules by NSDA. This includes the rule about internet usage in debate rounds and extemp. We are currently trying to secure internet access from the school, but at this time can't guarantee that. We will keep you updated on this endeavor. Be sure to be aware of the new NSDA rules and times regarding certain events such as for duet improv. If you have any questions about these rules, please email jhowell@bentonvillek12.org

Registration: We will be using Tabroom for registration and tabulation purposes! Tabroom will have public access to tournament related documents, pairings, and results for the tournament. In order to register, go to www.tabroom.com and click either "login" if you have utilized this website before or "signup" if you have never previously used this site. You may either sign up with a separate account or use your NSDA login to create an account. The attached link will give step by step instructions for setting up Tabroom prior to registering: <http://docs.tabroom.com/Registration> The Wild West Invitational Tournament will be located at <http://bwhswildwest.tabroom.com> Simply click on "Registration" and you should be able to follow the steps to completing tournament registration. If you have any questions or concerns about Tabroom, please contact rachelmauchline@gmail.com

Our schedule does not allow for a break, so we provide a great concession stand! We ask that you please help support our program by eating from the concession stand we provide rather than bringing outside food into our buildings. Please inform your students AND parents of this request. **Please arrive at our campus for registration between 2:45pm and 3:30pm. You will need to enter through the main school driveway off of Gamble Rd. and continue straight to student parking. Students will be there to direct you where unload.** Our

school releases at 3:55pm. We have bus drivers who have to evacuate our campus around 4:00pm taking our 2,000 students home. Registration in the Performing Arts Center Lobby will be between 2:45pm and 3:45pm. Traffic can be a headache, so please allow enough time to arrive on campus in time for your first events, which will begin promptly.

Please review the new TOC Qualifying tournament guidelines for the 2018-2019 school year at www.ACTAA.net. Please also keep in mind that Bentonville Public Schools will not grant Wi-Fi access to guests. We will abide by ACTAA Sanctioned Rules followed by NSDA Rules. We will be piloting the new rules in regards to internet usage, but can't guarantee internet access at this time. We will also be using paper ballots for all events at this time. The attached schedule is tentative.

Thanks,

Coach: Julie Howell, Director of Forensics and Debate
Tabroom Coordinator: Rachel Mauchline

Tournament Notes

Individual Event Sectioning and Breaks:

1. Preliminary sections will consist of up to 8 entries. Pay **CLOSE** attention to the schedule. We are hosting both Pattern A and Pattern B Prelims on Friday Night.
2. We reserve the right to utilize select high school students to judge junior high events. These students will be directly selected by the tournament director/tab if needed.
3. Patterns will be:
 - Pattern A:** Humorous Interp, Dramatic Interp, Original Oratory, Extemp, Duo Interp, Program of Oral Interpretation, Informative Speaking, Impromptu Speaking
 - Pattern B:** Prose, Storytelling, Poetry, Duet Improv, Extemp
 - Group Events:** Words and Music, Reader's Theatre

Debate Pairings and Breaks:

1. Brackets will not be broken. Rolls will be assumed for out rounds unless the coach of the teams provides additional judges for the round in question and contacts the tabroom with this request.
2. We **will** accept any hybrid or maverick entries. Please just communicate to tab with those so we can calculate them into sweeps accordingly.
3. PF Debate WILL use the coin flip.
4. JH Big Questions will simply have 3 prelims with results determined based on those rounds.
5. We reserve the right to collapse divisions based on entry numbers at the end of registration. You will be informed of this decision as it is made.
6. We will use the February PF Topic. We will use the Jan/Feb LD Topic.

Congress

1. We will run NSDA-style student congress. Original bills may be submitted by emailing jhowell@bentonvillek12.org by Friday January 18th at 4pm. Each school may submit up to three bills. If needed, we will supplement with the 2019 Spring TFA Docket. The original bills will be released ASAP
2. All speakers will compete in two prelim session of Congress. One house will consist of no more than 25 speakers. If multiple houses are required, an even number from each house, will advance to Supersession.

Tournament Schedule

High School Forensics:

Friday-

4:30pm to 6:00pm- Pattern A Round 1 [HI, DI, DUO, ISP, OO, INFO, POI]

5:45pm to 6:15pm- Extemp Draw

6:15pm to 7:45pm- Pattern B Round 1 [EX, IMP, STO, PRO, POE]

8:00pm to 9:30pm- Pattern A Round 2 [HI, DI, DUO, ISP, OO, INFO, POI]

Saturday-

7:30am to 8am- Extemp Draw

8am to 10am- Pattern A and B Semifinals

10am to 10:30am- Readers Theatre Finals

10:30am to 11am- Extemp Draw/Lunch Break

11am to 1pm- Pattern A and B Finals

1:15pm to 1:45pm- Words and Music Finals

Junior High Forensics:

Friday-

4:30pm to 6:00pm- Pattern A Round 1 [HI, DI, DUO, ISP, OO, INFO, POI]

5:45pm to 6:15pm- Extemp Draw

6:15pm to 7:45pm- Pattern B Round 1 [EX, IMP, STO, PRO, POE]

8:00pm to 9:30pm- Pattern A Semis [HI, DI, DUO, ISP, OO, INFO, POI]

Saturday-

7:30am to 8am- Extemp Draw

8am to 10am- Pattern A Finals and Pattern B Semifinals

10am to 10:30am- Readers Theatre Finals

10:30am to 11am- Extemp Draw/Lunch Break

11am to 1pm- Pattern B Finals

1:15pm to 1:45pm- Words and Music Finals

High School Debate:

Friday-

4:30pm to 6:15pm- Round 1 [BQ, LD, PF, CX]

6:20pm to 8pm- Round 2 [BQ, LD, PF, CX]

8:10pm to 9:45pm- Round 3 [BQ, LD, PF, CX]

Saturday-

7:45am to 9:45am- Quarters [BQ, LD, PF, CX]

10:15am to 11:45am - Semi Finals [BQ, LD, PF, CX]

12pm to 1:45pm - Finals [BQ, LD, PF, CX]

Junior High Big Questions

4:30pm to 5:30pm- Round 1

5:45pm to 6:45pm- Round 2

7:00pm to 7:45pm - Round 3

Congress:

Friday-

5:00pm-8:00pm- Session I

Saturday-

7:30am to 10:30am- Session II

11:00am to 2pm- Finals

*****Awards: Approx 2pm*****