

2019 Michael Quinn Memorial Tournament At West Allegheny High School



Welcome to the 2019 West Allegheny Speech & Debate Tournament

Events being offered are:

Humorous Interp (PHSSL Rules)	Commentary (PHSSL Rules)
Dramatic Interp (PHSSL Rules)	Extemporaneous – Mixed (PHSSL Rules)
Duo Interp (PHSSL Rules)	Impromptu (PHSSL Rules)
Policy (PHSSL Rules)	Prose (PHSSL Rules)
Lincoln Douglas (PHSSL Rules)	Poetry (PHSSL Rules)
Public Forum (PHSSL Rules)	Program of Oral Interp (NSDA Rules)
Parliamentary (PHSSL Rules)	Declamation (9 th & 10 th only) (CFL Rules)
Big Question Debate (NSDA Rules)	Original Oratory – Informative (PHSSL Rules)
Student Congress (PHSSL Rules)	Original Oratory – Persuasive (PHSSL Rules)

- Registration is located on www.tabroom.com
- The fee: \$5.00 per student. Please make checks out to *West Allegheny Speech & Debate*
- All Debates will be single-fight. If rooms are an issue debate will be moved across the parking lot to the Middle School.
- Registration will be in the Main High School Lobby.
- Tabroom will be located in Room B116.
- Judges Lounge will be located in Room B114.
- Opening and Closing Ceremonies will be in the auditorium.
- Extemp, Commentary & Impromptu Prep will be located in the library.
- Lunch Tickets will be on sale for \$5.00
- At the end of the Round Judges are to report back to the Judges' Lounge and Competitors are to report to the Cafeteria.
- All Rounds (Speech & Debate) will be online.
- Please make sure your judges and competitors are registered online before the tournament.
- The 1st 3 rounds of speech and the 1st 2 rounds of debate will be randomly prescheduled.
- Rounds 1-3 of Parli will be Impromptu. Round 4 (and possible 5) will be the Prepared topic
- Speech will have a Final Round if time permits. If no final they will have a full fourth round
- LD, PF, BQ & Parli will have 5 Rounds, only if time permits
- Speech & Debate Awards will be given to the top 6 competitors. Top 3 Trophies, the remaining certificates or medallions.
- Congress Trophy wards will be to the top 3 Speakers (PO included), remaining board will receive medallions

- Sweepstakes will be awards to the Top 2 schools in Speech, Debate and Overall.
- Each team may indicate 15 Speech competitors, 5 Debate and 2 Congress.
- Events may be eliminated or combined based on number of entries.

Judging Requirements

Speech	1 judge for every 4 competitors (of partners)
Debate	PF,LD, BQ & Parli 1 judge for every 2 individuals or teams
CX	1 judge for every 2 teams
Congress	All congress judges will come from the speech poll

There will be a charge of \$100 for every uncovered Judge.

There will be a \$100 charge to your team for every judge replaced in a round.

PLEASE NOTE: All debate judges may be swapped in all types of debates. All speech judges are may be swapped in all speech and congress events.

Speech Schedule	Congress Schedule	Debate Schedule
7:15 – 8:45 Registration	7:15 – 8:45 Registration	7:15 – 8:45 Registration
8:30 Opening in Auditorium	8:30 Opening in Auditorium	8:30 Opening TBD
8:45 Exempt & Commentary Starts	8:45 Judges Meeting in Auditorium	9:00 – 10:00 Round 1
9:00 – 10:15 Round 1	9:00 – 12:00 Morning Session	10:00 – 11:00 Round 2
10:15 – 11:30 Round 2	12:00 – 12:45 Lunch	11:00 – 12:00 Round 3
11:30 – 12:45 Round 3	12:45 – 2:45 Afternoon Session	12:00 – 1:00 Round 4
12:45 – 1:30 Lunch	3:00 Voting	1:00 – 2:00 Lunch
1:30 – 3:00 Finals	3:30 Closing Ceremony in HS Auditorium	2:00 - 3:00 Round 5
3:30 Closing Ceremony in HS Auditorium	***Breaks determined by Parli***	3:30 Closing Ceremony in HS Auditorium

Parliamentary Debate Topics

Prepared – This House should substantially increase its investment in Genetic Engineering.

Extemporaneous Topic Areas (Randomly Chosen by Tabroom):

1. Energy
2. Higher Education
3. Trade
4. Political Donations
5. International Sports

Big Question Debate Topic

Resolved: Humans are primarily driven by self-interest.

Commentary Topics: o Real World Heroes Past and Present o Social Networking Issues o Monumental Entertainment events o Mixed Media	Extemp Topics o Latin America o European Economy o Developing Nation Politics o Mid Term Elections and impacts
Impromptu Topics: o Fictional Characters o Charlie Brown Character Quotes o Monumental Entertainment events o Would You Rather	

-If there are any problems or concerns please feel free to email mshaffer@westasd.org or call my cell (724)601-3890. If you have drops please call ahead.

Michael Quinn (1956-2018)

Mike Quinn passed away in August on his 62nd birthday. He retired from teaching with 30 plus years in education but continued to coached Speech and Debate. He will always be missed.

