



PALOS VERDES PENINSULA HIGH SCHOOL

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Colleagues and friends:

We're happy to invite you to the third annual Peninsula Invitational, at Palos Verdes Peninsula High School in Rolling Hills Estates, California. Events will begin on Saturday, January, 11, 2020 and end on Monday, January 13, 2020. We will offer novice and varsity divisions of Policy, Lincoln-Douglas, and Public Forum debate, plus Parliamentary and Congressional Debate as well as all CHSSA and NIETOC speech events. We are a TOC semifinals bid tournament in the varsity Lincoln-Douglas division, a finals bid in the varsity policy and public forum divisions, and a top six bid in Congressional debate. We are also a bid tournament in speech for both NIETOC and the TOC hosted by The University of Kentucky (UK). Saturday and Sunday rounds will take place on our campus. Monday rounds in policy and Lincoln-Douglas debate will take place at the Torrance Marriott Redondo Beach.

Registration will take place online at <http://penvitational.tabroom.com>, beginning on October 1, 2019, at 1:00 pm Pacific time. Please register early. We can only accommodate entries up to room capacity. Fees and obligations will be frozen on January 1, 2020 at 12:00 am Pacific time. Schools can make drops, swaps, and name changes until January 3, 2020 at 5:00 pm Pacific time and enter judges until January 4, 2020 at 5:00 pm Pacific time.

The tournament hotel is the Torrance Marriott Redondo Beach (3635 Fashion Way, Torrance, CA 90503), a short drive from our campus. Food will be available on campus throughout the tournament.

We are once again very much looking forward to welcoming you to our home. We are committed to making this as pleasant an experience as we've enjoyed at tournaments hosted by our friends, and know that it will be a calendar staple for years to come.

Sincerely,
Scott Wheeler
Tournament Director

Kimi Hendrick
Club Advisor

HOTEL INFORMATION

We have set up a block at the Torrance Marriott Redondo Beach (3635 Fashion Way, Torrance, CA 90503). Kings and double queens are both \$125/night. If coming from out of town, we ask that you please stay at the tournament hotel, as falling below certain percentage of our block will result in a penalty we have to pay. The hotel is quite nice and the block rate is lower than/comparable to other hotels in the area (which are not four star hotels, like the Marriott). We have also negotiated a discounted self-parking rate of \$12 (normal rate is \$29).

Reservations may be made at:

<https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1570212553390&key=GRP> or by calling Marriott reservations at (800)228-9290 – please refer to “PV Peninsula Debate.”

TOURNAMENT RULES AND ENTRY GUIDELINES

Entries:

We ask that you please register early. Please also enter your judging as soon as possible. All entries will initially be placed on a waitlist until judging is entered or requested. Last year we had nearly twice as many entries as in 2018, and we anticipate that this will be the first year not everyone will be able to compete that wants to. If you need to make travel arrangements or attendance is contingent on being able to bring students across events, please let us know.

Students should compete for the degree-granting institution in which they are enrolled. Hybrid entries will be accepted in non-TOC qualifying divisions. Students must be accompanied by a responsible adult and may not attend against the wishes of their school. Please contact us if you have questions about this policy.

Double Entry Limitations:

Students may only compete in one debate event. Students competing in Congressional debate may double-enter in speech events in either pattern. Students competing in Parliamentary, varsity Policy, novice Policy, novice Lincoln-Douglas, and varsity Lincoln-Douglas debate may not double enter in speech events. Students in PF may not double enter in Pattern A. Students may not enter more than two speech events per pattern. Students who double-enter are expected to get to their rounds on time. Coaches of students who break in debate and speech or in multiple speech events may be asked to choose between them if necessary.

Patterns:

Debate: Policy, Public Forum, Lincoln-Douglas, Congressional, Parliamentary
Speech Pattern A: Dramatic Interpretation, Duo Interpretation, Humorous Interpretation, Thematic Interpretation/Program Oral Interpretation, Original Prose/Poetry
Speech Pattern B: Extemp, Impromptu, Original Oratory/Advocacy/Persuasive, Informative/Expository, Oratorical Interpretation/Declamation

Debate Topics:

The Policy debate topic will be “Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially reduce Direct Commercial Sales and/or Foreign Military Sales of arms from the United States.”

The LD topic will be the NSDA January/February topic, announced December 1, 2019.

The Public Forum topic will be the NSDA January topic, announced December 1, 2019.

Parli topic areas will be available on penvitational.tabroom.com on December 20.

Please email Congressional legislation to scottwheels@mac.com by December 13. The packet will be available on penvitational.tabroom.com on December 20.

Judging:

In order to save us 15-20 minutes between rounds, while eliminating any possibility of tab entry error, all balloting will be done electronically. All judges need to be linked to a Tabroom account to be registered. Seasoned competitors in their third or fourth year of competition are permitted to judge the novice division of their event.

All judges are required to have judge philosophies on Tabroom. Failure to do so will result in losing preferences/strikes and/or not having the judge count towards fulfilling the school’s judging obligation.

Any limitations on availability need to be communicated in the “Notes” section on Tabroom. Any surprises during the tournament will be treated as “no shows” (e.g. a judge paired for round three who isn’t on campus has not fulfilled her judging requirement, even if she’s only in for three rounds and was on campus for the other five rounds, unless this conflict was communicated to the tournament beforehand).

Judging obligations:

Policy: 3 rounds per entry

Parli, LD, and PF: 2 rounds per entry

Speech and Congress: 1 judge for every 6 entries or fraction thereof

Please request hires through Tabroom for any judging commitments you are unable to meet.

Each school that has entries not covered by a judge from the school will be assessed uncovered judge fees. These will be higher than the cost to hire judges, in order to encourage schools to request hires in advance. Hired judging is limited and takes some effort to arrange. The deadline for hired judging is 12/13/2019 at 9 am Pacific.

A Judge may only cover entries in either speech or debate, but not both.

Judges are committed to judge one round beyond when the last student from that school is eliminated from competition. Missed round fees will be assessed if judges leave before your commitment is filled.

Event Rules and Guidelines:

NIETOC rules will be followed for Oratory, DI, HI, POI, Informative, and Duo Interpretation.

<http://nietoc.com/full-details/>

CHSSA rules will be followed for Parliamentary debate, Extemp, Oratorical Interpretation, and Impromptu. http://www.chssa.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/CHSSA.RandR_.2018-19.pdf

The TOC rules and procedures document will be followed for Policy Debate, LD, PF, and Congressional Debate. <https://ci.uky.edu/UKDebate/tournament-procedures>

Entry Fees:

School Fee: \$30

Policy team: \$90

Novice Policy team: \$70

Varsity LD entry: \$75

Novice LD entry: \$50

PF team: \$75

Novice PF team: \$50

Parliamentary team: \$75

Congress entry: \$25

Congress PO entry: \$25

Duo entry: \$30

IE entry (excluding Duo): \$15

Uncovered Judge Costs:

All Debate events: \$50 per round

IE/Congress: \$50 / uncovered entry

Judge no show: \$50 (must be paid prior to out rounds)

NOTE: In the past we’ve charged a \$20 drop fee for changes made after the fees frozen date. We will no longer be charging these fees, but all fees as of the frozen fees date are final. We will not be waiving them.

Preliminary schedule

Friday, January 10, 2020 at Torrance Marriott Redondo Beach

4-10 PM Registration for schools with debate entries

Varsity Lincoln-Douglas, Novice Lincoln-Douglas, Varsity Policy Debate, and Novice Policy Debate (no double-entry)

Saturday, January 11, 2020 at Palos Verdes Peninsula High School

8:30 Round 1

11:00 Round 2

1:00 Lunch

2:00 Round 3

5:00 Round 4

Sunday, January 12 at Palos Verdes Peninsula High School

8:00 Round 5

11:00 Varsity round 6; Novice elim round 1

12:30 Lunch

1:30 Lincoln-Douglas and Policy Debate Awards

2:15 Varsity elim round 1; Novice elim round 2

5:00 Varsity elim round 2; Novice elim round 3

Monday, January 13 at Torrance Marriott Redondo Beach

8:00 Varsity elim round 3

11:00 Varsity elim round 4

12:30 Varsity LD elim round 5

1:30 Varsity policy elim round 5 if necessary

Varsity Public Forum Debate, Novice Public Forum Debate, Parli Debate, Speech and Congress Schedule

Saturday, January 11 at Palos Verdes Peninsula High School

8:30 Debate round 1 (parli prep at 8:00)

10:45 Debate round 2 (parli prep at 10:15), Congress round 1

1:00 Lunch

1:30 Debate round 3 (parli prep at 1:00), Congress round 2

4:00 Debate round 4 (parli prep at 3:30), Congress round 3

6:30 Debate round 5 (parli prep at 6:00), Congress final round

Sunday, January 12 at Palos Verdes Peninsula High School

8:00 Debate round 6 (parli prep at 7:30)

9:00 Speech Registration for IE-only schools

10:30 Speech Pattern A round 1

12:00 Speech Pattern B round 1

12:00 Debate Elim round 1 (parli prep at 11:30)

1:30 Speech Pattern A round 2

1:00 Lunch

3:00 Speech Pattern B round 2

3:00 Debate Elim round 2 (parli prep 2:30)

4:30 Speech Pattern A round 3

6:00 Speech Pattern B round 3

6:00 Debate Elim round 3

7:00 Speech Pattern A finals

8:00 Speech Pattern B finals

9:00 Speech and Debate Awards