

Dear Colleagues,

Tennessee Technological University cordially invites you to the 2nd Annual Golden Eagle Speak Up Swing, to be held at the TTU campus in Cookeville, TN, on September 27th-29th, 2019. The competition will feature public debate (IPDA, both individual and team), parliamentary debate (NPDA), two full I.E. tournaments with the standard eleven AFA/NIET events as well as Radio Broadcasting and Editorial Impromptu. The tournament will be sanctioned by AFA, NFA, NPDA, and IPDA.

You will find all of the pertinent information in this invitation. Questions regarding university facilities or tournament administration should be directed to Jacob Metz (jmetz@tntech.edu) or Kevin Bryant (kbryant@tntech.edu). Entries should be submitted online at <http://goldeneagle.tabroom.com> **no later than Monday, Sep. 23rd, 2019 by 5:00 p.m.** If you don't already have an account with this site, you will need to create one. Changes will be accepted without charge until Tuesday, Sep. 24th, 2019 at 12 p.m. (noon).

We look forward to seeing you for a weekend of fun forensic competition!

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Tournament Headquarters

The tournament will be headquartered in the lobby of the Roaden University Center (RUC) on Dixie Ave.

Directions

I-40 East or West

Exit 286 on I-40 is Willow Ave. Take that road north until you pass 7th St. with a Pizza Hut on the right hand side. Turn right at the very next light, and that will lead you directly past the giant parking lot behind the library (first stop sign) and directly up to the RUC (second stop sign).

Hwy 111 North or South

Take the Algood Exit and travel west on 10th Street. Pass through five lights (crossing over Washington Ave) and follow a sharp 90-degree curve to the left all the way to a 4-way stop. Turn right and pass over the train tracks and then turn right at the light on Dixie Ave. The Roaden University Center (RUC) will be the big building with columns on the left facing Dixie Ave with a designated drop-off lane. The first floor lobby of this building has registration for both Friday and Saturday.

Event Information

We will offer all eleven AFA events, along with Editorial Impromptu and Radio Broadcasting; novice and open NPDA (novice division is dependent on entries); novice, JV, varsity, and professional (entry dependent) IPDA; and Open TIPDA.

A. All parliamentary debate (NPDA) rounds shall follow the time limits and rules established by the National Parliamentary Debate Association. Debaters will have fifteen minutes of preparation time (plus five minutes to walk to the round). We will offer both a Novice and an Open division as long as there are enough entries to support both divisions. We will offer four preliminary rounds (contingent on entry size) and the appropriate number of elimination rounds.

B. All TIPDA rounds shall follow the time limits and rules established by the International Public Debate Association. Students will have thirty minutes of preparation time (includes walking time to rounds). We will offer only an open division for TIPDA. TIPDA will take place on Saturday (TIPDA competitors will not be able to enter IE events on Saturday but will be able to enter in all IE events on Sunday). We will offer four preliminary rounds and the appropriate number of elimination rounds.

C. All IPDA rounds shall follow the time limits and rules established by the International Public Debate Association. Students will have thirty minutes of preparation time (walking time to rounds is already included in that thirty). We will offer professional, varsity, JV, and novice divisions (dependent on entries). We will offer six preliminary rounds and the appropriate number of elimination rounds.

D. All individual events shall follow the rules established and followed by the American Forensics Association.

Flight A: Imp, Per, ADS, POE, DI, Ext

Flight B: Radio Broadcasting, Info, CA, Duo, Prose, POI, Ed/Imp

1. For the purposes of elimination round seeding and speaker points in debate events, adjusted speaker points (total points minus high/low) will be considered. Total points will be used to break

a tie. If another tie still exists, then it will be broken on double adjusted speaker points, then strength of play, then coin flip.

2. Schools shall not be limited in entries per event, but only the top three entries in each individual event/debate division per school will count for sweepstakes awards. *Except in NPDA where the top four teams from a school will count towards sweepstakes* (even if NPDA has two divisions only the top four teams from one school will count).

3. Awards shall be presented to the elimination round participants in all debate events, the top 6 speakers in every division of debate, the top six competitors in every individual event, the top novice competitor in every individual event, and the top six pentathlon competitors. The top **five** schools in Debate (any format), top **five schools** in Individual Events for Swing 1 and top **five** schools in IE Swing 2, and top **five** schools Overall will receive sweepstakes awards. The top **three community colleges** will be recognized in Debate (any format), in Individual Events for Swing 1, in Individual Events for Swing 2, and Overall. No minimum number of entries is required for schools to count toward debate or individual events sweepstakes awards, but schools must be entered in debate and both individual event swings to be eligible for the overall sweepstakes award.

4. Judges: We need and want your judges. We prefer judges over money. One judge covers four IPDA debaters, two NPDA teams, two IPDA teams, or six IE entries per flight. Judges may cover multiple events if the events **do not conflict**. For example: one judge could cover four IPDA debaters and six IE entries per flight, as those events do not occur at the same time, but that same judge could not cover two TIPDA teams and six IE entries on Saturday.

5. Rules for Special Events:

Editorial Impromptu Speaking:

Students will be given a short editorial (three to five paragraphs) to which they will develop an argumentative response. The speech should involve the development of an argument in response to the thesis developed or opinion shared in each editorial. Students will be allowed nine minutes to divide between preparation and speech time. Speakers must speak for at least five minutes. Limited notes, prepared in the round, are permitted.

Radio Broadcasting:

Contestants will be given a packet of source materials and will have 30 minutes to select, organize, and present a simulated radio broadcast. The source material packets will include international, national, state, and local news. All material used in the broadcast must be provided by the tournament with the exception of any hypothetical station call letters, time, and current weather conditions or forecast. Students will present their broadcasts seated at a table with the judge facing away from the contestants during the speech. Students may time themselves as no time signals will be given by the judge. Maximum time limit for the speech is 5 minutes. Posting of source materials will be staggered.

E. For debate at a minimum, all winning records will break, but we will prioritize as many breaks as allowed within the limitations of each event's constitution and bylaws and tournament host's schedule.

F. Entry Limitations:

Friday:

Competitors may enter either NPDA or IPDA debate but may NOT be entered in both.

Saturday:

Competitors entered in TIPDA may NOT enter in Individual Events.

Individual Event competitors may enter a **maximum of four events per flight**.

Sunday:

Competitors entered in TIPDA may enter events in BOTH Flights of Individual Events for the Day 2 IE Swing Tournament.

Individual Event competitors may enter a **maximum of four events per flight**.

G. Sweepstakes formula**I.E.s**

1. Schools shall not be limited in events, however only the top 3 entries in each event / debate division will count for sweepstakes awards (except for NPDA which counts top 4 entries).

2. Individual events will be scored as follows:

Preliminary rounds: 3 points for 1st place 2 points for 2nd place 1 point for 3rd place

3. Semifinal Rounds: 1 point for non-advancing contestants

4. Final Rounds: 7 points for 1st place, 6 points for 2nd place, 5 points for 3rd place, 4 points for 4th place, 3 points for 5th place, and 2 points for 6th place or 7th place, and 1 point for Top Novice

Debate

1. 5 points for each preliminary round win/bye, 5 points for breaking to elimination rounds (These are halved for individual debate. Speaker points are not halved.)

Final rounds: 6 points for 1st place, 5 points for 2nd place, 4 points for Semi Finalists, 2 points for Quarter Finalists, and 1 point for all other out rounds excluding the first elimination round. (Everyone who breaks already gets 5 points so the first elimination round will not receive additional sweepstakes points for non-advancing teams!)

6 points for 1st speaker, 5 points for 2nd speaker, 4 points for 3rd speaker, 3 points for 4th speaker, 2 points for 5th speaker, and 1 point for 6th speaker.

H. Pentathlon Formula:

To be eligible for Pentathlon, students must compete in a minimum of five IE events (5 IEs in a single day tournament). Points to determine Pentathlon placing will be according to the individual events sweepstakes formula outlined above. Only the best five events will be counted toward a student's final Pentathlon placing.

Tournament Schedule

Friday, September 27th

7:00 - 7:45 REGISTRATION, (Roaden University Center Lobby near Tech Pride Room)

8:00 IPDA Rd 1 Draw (Derryberry Hall Auditorium 2nd Floor)

8:30 IPDA Rd 1 Start Time Flight A

9:00 IPDA Rd 1 Start Time Flight B

9:45 IPDA Rd 2 Draw

10:15 IPDA Rd 2 Start Time Flight A

10:45 IPDA Rd 2 Start Time Flight B

11:00 Lunch Break – Provided (Roaden University Center 2nd Floor Lobby)

12:00 IPDA Rd 3 Draw / NPDA Rd 1 (Topic Announcement (Derryberry Auditorium 2nd Floor))

12:20 NPDA Rd 1 Start Time

12:30 IPDA Rd 3 Start Time Flight A

1:00 IPDA Rd 3 Start Time Flight B

1:45 IPDA Rd 4 Draw / NPDA Rd 2 Topic Announcement

2:05 NPDA Rd 2 Start Time

2:15 IPDA Rd 4 Start Time Flight A

2:45 IPDA Rd 4 Start Time Flight B

3:30 IPDA Rd 5 Draw / NPDA Rd 3 Topic Announcement

3:50 NPDA Rd 3 Start Time

4:00 IPDA Rd 5 Start Time Flight A

4:30 IPDA Rd 5 Start Time Flight B

5:15 IPDA Rd 6 Draw / NPDA Rd 4 Topic Announcement

5:35 NPDA Rd 4 Start Time

5:45 IPDA Rd 6 Start Time Flight A

6:15 IPDA Rd 6 Start Time Flight B

ASAP Coach's Review

6:30 Dinner Break – Provided (Roaden University Center 2nd Floor Lobby)

7:30 IPDA / NPDA Elim Rd 1 (Not Flighted – Disclose result, but not reasoning in round)

7:50 NPDA Elim Rd 1 Start Time

8:00 IPDA Elim Rd 1 Start Time

8:45 IPDA / NPDA Elim Rd 2 (Not Flighted – Disclose result, but not reasoning in round)

9:05 NPDA Elim Rd 2 Start Time

9:15 IPDA Elim Rd 2 Start Time

Saturday, September 28th

7:30-8:45 REGISTRATION, (Tech Pride Room 101, 1st Floor of RUC)

8:00 IPDA / NPDA Elim Rd 3 (If Needed and Not Flighted – If Final Rd do not disclose, Draw in Multi-Purpose Room RUC 242)

8:20 NPDA Elim Rd 3 Start Time

8:30 IPDA Elim Rd 3 Start Time

9:15 Extemp Draw (Tech Pride Room 101, 1st Floor of RUC)

9:30 FLIGHT A Rd 1 / TIPDA Draw Rd 1 (Draw in Multi Purpose Room RUC 242)

10:00 TIPDA Rd 1 Start Time

10:45 Radio Draw

11:00 FLIGHT B Rd 1 / TIPDA Draw Rd 2

11:30 TIPDA Rd 2 Start Time

12:00 Lunch Break- Provided (Tech Pride Room 101, 1st Floor of RUC), IPDA / NPDA Elim Rd 4 (If needed – If Final Rd do not disclose, Draw in Multi-Purpose Room RUC 242)

12:20 NPDA Elim Rd 4 Start Time

12:30 IPDA Elim Rd 4 Start Time

1:15 **Extemp Draw (Tech Pride Room 101, 1st Floor of RUC)**

1:30 **FLIGHT A Rd 2 / TIPDA Draw Rd 3**

2:00 TIPDA Rd 3 Start Time

3:15 **Radio Draw**

3:30 **FLIGHT B Rd 2 / TIPDA Draw Rd 4**

 Post for FINALS FLIGHT A

4:00 TIPDA Rd 4 Start Time

 *****ASAP TIPDA Coach's Review*****

4:45 **Finals Extemp Draw**

5:00 **FLIGHT A Finals**

 Post for FINALS FLIGHT B

5:30 **TIPDA Draw Elim Rd 1 (Disclose result, but not reasoning in round)**

6:00 TIPDA Elim Rd 1 Start

6:15 **Radio Draw**

6:30 **FLIGHT B Finals**

7:15 **TIPDA Draw Elim Rd 2 (Disclose result, but not reasoning in round unless Final round)**

7:45 TIPDA Elim Rd 2 Start

ASAP **TIPDA Draw Elim Rd 3 (If needed but if Final round do not Disclose)**

Sunday, September 29th

8:15 **Extemp Draw (Tech Pride Room 101, 1st Floor of RUC)**

8:30 **FLIGHT A – ROUND 1**

9:30 **Radio Draw (Tech Pride Room 101, 1st Floor of RUC)**

9:45 **FLIGHT B – ROUND 1**

11:00 **Extemp Draw (Tech Pride Room 101, 1st Floor of RUC)**

11:15 **FLIGHT A ROUND 2**

LUNCH BREAK – On Your Own

*****POST FINALS FLIGHT A*****

1:30 Radio Draw (Tech Pride Room 101, 1st Floor of RUC)

1:45 FLIGHT B ROUND 2

*****POST FINALS FLIGHT B*****

3:00 Finals Extemp Draw (Tech Pride Room 101, 1st Floor of RUC)

3:30 Extemp Finals

4:00 IE FINALS

ASAP Radio Draw (Tech Pride Room 101, 1st Floor of RUC) and Radio Finals

ASAP AWARDS Ceremony (RUC Multi-Purpose Room 2nd Floor)

Coach's Review

It is the responsibility of each team's coach to ensure that they take advantage of the coach's review. If a coach is unable to come to coach's review, they may select a single representative (this may be a student/judge from their team) to come to conduct the review. It is the responsibility of the coach or their representative to take advantage of the coach's review and to make arrangements to be at the review at the appropriate times. The tournament staff will not delay the tournament schedule if a coach or their representative has not come to coach's review.

Entries

Entries should be submitted at <http://goldeneagle.tabroom.com> no later than Monday, Sep. 23rd, 2019 by 5:00 p.m. Changes will be accepted without charge until Tuesday, Sep. 24th, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). Each change after that will be charged based on the drop fee information listed below. Please use the attached forms to complete your entries.

This tournament will be using Tabroom.com for tab and entries. If you have not yet created an account for your team, go ahead and do so. *****YOU WILL NOT BE PAYING REGISTRATION FEES THROUGH TABROOM*****

Entry Fees and Payment Information

Entry Fees:

Individual Event Covered Entries	\$10.00
Individual Event Uncovered Entries	\$20.00
IPDA Debate Covered Entries	\$35.00
IPDA Debate Uncovered Entries	\$70.00
Parliamentary Debate Covered Entries	\$60.00 (per team)

Parliamentary Debate Uncovered Entries	\$120.00 (per teams)
TIPDA Debate Covered Entries	\$60.00 (per team)
TIPDA Debate Uncovered Entries	\$120.00 (per team)

Drop Fees:

Drops on or before Tuesday September 24 th at 12 p.m.	FREE
Drops on Wednesday September 25 th	\$5.00 (per entry)
Drops on Thursday September 26 th	\$10.00 (per entry)
Drops on Friday September 27 th /At Registration	\$15.00 (per entry)
Dropped Judges (per judge and paying uncovered entries)	\$50.00

Meals:

Friday: (covers lunch and dinner)	\$10 per student, coach, and judge
Saturday: (covers lunch)	\$5 per student, coach, and judge

There are several options you can choose from to pay your team's entry fees:

1. University or College Checks – Checks should be made out to TTU and the memo line will need to state that the check is for entry fees for the Golden Eagle Speak Up Swing Tournament.
2. Personal Checks – To use this method, you will need to include the school you are paying on behalf of on the notes line of the check. Checks should be made out to TTU and the memo line will need to state your school name and that the check is for entry fees for the Golden Eagle Speak Up Swing Tournament.
3. Cash Payments – You can pay your entry fees via cash at the registration table. Exact change is necessary.

Hotels:

We reserved a room block at the Best Western Thunderbird Motel in Cookeville, TN with a room rate for a non-smoking Double Queen Room at \$70 a night – Ask for the TTU Speech and Debate rate. This hotel has free Wi-Fi, breakfast, a pool, and parking. Also, this hotel shares a parking lot with one of the best Mexican restaurants in Cookeville: El Tapatio. Should you choose to stay elsewhere, there are several other hotels in town.

Food:

We will be offering meals on Friday and Saturday. On Friday, both lunch and dinner will be offered. There is a \$10.00 cost per person that will cover both meals for that day. On Saturday we are offering lunch only. There is a \$5.00 cost per person to cover that meal. These costs do not cover 100% of the costs for those meals, but we wanted to provide meals where possible to make things as convenient as we could for those attending the tournament. If you choose to use this option for food on those days, please make sure to sign all individuals up (competitors, coaches, and/or judges) for each day that you wish to utilize the provided meals when you register at <http://goldeneagle.tabroom.com>. If you prefer not to utilize this option, there are several places to get food on campus and close to campus. We are not able to provide any meals on Sunday, but the options on campus and close to campus will be open and a list of options will be provided at registration. A judge's lounge will be open to your judges, but full meals will not be provided there.

Friday Classes:

Classes will be in session on Friday in all academic buildings. Please be respectful and keep the noise down. Use your designated prep room (if available) and avoid congregating in hallways. Use the Derryberry Auditorium in Derryberry Hall for downtime on Friday.

Internet:

To connect to the internet, please log-in to the network labelled TTU-GUEST. You will then be directed to a login page where you will need to provide your name and an email address. After entering that information, press the Register Now button and you will be connected to the wireless internet on campus. This login routine will need to be repeated every 24 hours.

Smoking Policy:

TTU is a Non-Smoking Campus. The prohibition against smoking extends to all TTU property, including parking lots.

Campus Map/Parking:

Printed campus maps will be provided with your registration packets. Campus maps can also be found at <https://www.tntech.edu/maps>. For parking on Friday, vehicles will need to be parked in the purple zoned parking lots near the baseball complex (please reference the parking map) and will need to use their visitor parking passes provided in the registration packets. Please feel free to drop people off at/near the Roaden University Center first (which we would definitely recommend). For parking on Saturday and Sunday, parking is open on campus. We would recommend parking on the west side of Henderson Hall (HEND) or on the north side of the Roaden University Center (RUC) near Foster Hall (FOST).

Leaving Before Awards:

We are holding one awards ceremony on Sunday, Sep. 29th for all debate awards and for BOTH halves of the swing tournament. If you need to leave prior to that, please talk with Jacob Metz or Kevin Bryant regarding awards your competitors have won and we will either make sure you are able to take them with you as you leave or that we are able to make arrangements to get them to you at a slightly later point in time (either by mail or when we see you at another tournament).