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2019 Knights' Joust Novice at Lone Peak Debate Tournament October 4-5, 2019

Dear Coaches,

I am excited to invite you and your speech and debate teams to kick off your 2019-20 season by participating in the Knight's Joust Novice tournament at Lone Peak on October 4-5, 2019. Registration opens August 30, 2019. The tournament is located at:

10189 North 4800 West Highland, Utah 84003

Here are a few highlights:

- 1. Speech events are scheduled for Friday. Debate events, including Congress, are scheduled for Saturday.
- 2. Speech events include: Oratory, International Extemp, National Extemp, Improptu, Informative, Dramatic Interp, Humorous Interp, Duo Interp, and Spar.
- 3. All speech events will have three preliminary rounds and a final round.
- 4. Double entry in speech events is permitted at the participant's risk. However, entry in both National and International Extemp is not permitted.
- 5. Public Forum and Lincoln Douglas Debate will be single flighted, with five preliminary rounds. Participants with at least a 4-1 record will qualify for the final rounds. Others may be added as needed. Final rounds will be paired Hi-Low based on prelim records.
- 6. The open topic (standardized testing) will be used for Lincoln Douglas Debate. The novice LD topic (civil disobedience) will **not** be used at this tournament.
- 7. Policy Debate will have four preliminary rounds. Participants with at least a 3-1 record will qualify for the final rounds. Others may be added as needed. Final rounds will be paired Hi-Low based on prelim records.
- 8. Congress will have two preliminary sessions and a final session (legislation will be released by Tuesday, September 3, 2019.)
- 9. All participants who qualify for final rounds will be acknowledged with an award.
- 10. NSDA Rules for the format, time and standards apply for all events. For Public Forum, that means 3 minutes for prep time and summary speeches and no progressive arguments or plans/counterplans. For LD, that means no progressive arguments.
- 11. There will be concessions available for purchase.
- 12. Sweepstakes points from Knights' Joust Novice (October), will carry over to the Knights' Joust tournament, scheduled for January 16-17, 2020. Knights' Joust Novice (October) and Knights Joust (January) count as one tournament for purposes of the UHSAA's ten tournament limit.



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Tournament Schedule

Friday

2:30-2:55 p.m.: Registration/Check-in in Main Lobby

Judges Meeting/Training in Media Center

3:00 p.m. Extemp Draw – in Rm 133

3:10-3:20 p.m.: Opening Welcome and Instructions in Cafeteria

Speech Events

3:30 p.m. Round 1 (Extemp draw at 3:00 p.m. in Room 133)

5:00 p.m. Round 2 (Extemp draw at 4:30 p.m. in Room 133)

7:00 p.m. Round 3 (Extemp draw at 6:30 p.m. in Room 133)

8:45 p.m. Finals

Saturday

7:30-7:50 a.m. Check-in in Main Lobby

Judges Meeting/Training in Media Center

Policy Debate		Public Forum & LD		Congress	
8:00 a.m.	Round 1	8:00 a.m.	Round 1	8:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Session 1
9:45 a.m.	Round 2	9:20 a.m.	Round 2	11:00 – 1:30 p.m.	Session 2
11:30 a.m.	Round 3	10:40 a.m.	Round 3	2:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Final Session
1:45 p.m.	Round 4	12:30 p.m.	Round 4		
3:30 p.m.	Final Rounds	1:50 p.m.	Round 5		
		3:10 p.m.	Final Rounds		
5:00 p.m. Awards Assembly in Cafeteria					

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^{*} Times will be accelerated where possible



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Who is Eligible to Compete?

This tournament is open to novice level competitors. For this tournament, a "Novice" competitor is defined as an individual who has participated in two or fewer speech or debate events of any kind, and has not qualified for finals or elimination rounds in any event.

For example, a student who has entered one event at two previous tournaments or two events at one previous tournament, but did not break, may still be considered a novice for any event at this tournament. On the other hand, a student who has previously entered three events (regardless of the kind of event or the number of tournaments) or who has qualified for a final or elimination round in any event at any tournament, is not considered a novice in any event at this tournament.

In Policy and Public Forum Debate, both members of the partnership must meet this definition.

Registration/Check-In

Upon arrival at Lone Peak, please have buses use the North entrance to the driveway in front of the school, and drop students off at the main entrance. A registration/check in table will be set up in the foyer/commons area, where you may check in and pick up your tournament packets. After checking in, students should proceed to the cafeteria. Coaches and judges should go to the media center. Judge training will begin at 2:45 p.m. on Friday and 7:30 a.m. on Saturday.

Speech Events

Speech events are all included in one panel, as follows:

Domestic/National Extemp Foreign/International Extemp

Impromptu Oratory
Informative Duo Interp
Humorous Interp Spar

Dramatic Interp

Extemp draws will take place 30 minutes before the scheduled start time for each round. Participants may double enter if they wish at their own risk. However, participants may not enter both National and International Extemp.

Debate Events

Debate events include Policy, Public Forum, Lincoln Douglas and Congressional Debate. Double entry is not permitted in any debate event.

Public Forum will use the open topic (standardized tests). The novice topic (civil disobedience) will not be used at this tournament.

Awards

We will recognize every participant who qualifies for an elimination round as follows:

<u>Debate</u>: There will be multiple final rounds in Policy, Public Forum and Lincoln Douglas Debate. Each winner will receive a trophy. Second place contestants will receive medals. Awards will be given to both members of a debate partnership.



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<u>Congress</u>: First place receives a trophy. Second and third place receive medals. Fourth, fifth and sixth place receive ribbons. The remainder of the finalists receive certificates.

<u>Speech</u>: First place receives a trophy. Second and third place receive medals. The remainder of the finalists receive ribbons.

Excalibur Awards will be given to: (1) the top speakers in debate prelims; (2) the speech participant with the most NSDA points in prelims; and (3) the best chair in congress.

Sweepstakes

Sweepstakes Awards will be given to the schools that earn the highest number of NSDA points in prelims. If there is sufficient participation, sweepstakes awards will be given in both large school (more than 10 participants) and small school (10 or fewer participants) divisions. All sweepstakes points from this tournament will carry over to this season's Knights' Joust at Lone Peak, scheduled for January 17-18, 2020.

Judges

We are using online balloting for all speech and all debate events. Therefore, judges will be required to have a tabroom account. For detailed instructions on how to set up an account, please visit: http://docs.tabroom.com/Sign_Up.

Judges need a laptop (preferred), tablet or smartphone that can access the internet to pick up their ballots. Please make sure these devices are fully charged before the tournament begins each day. WARNING: Cell phone service is spotty to non-existent for many cell carriers, so please make sure your judges bring a device that can easily be connected to the school's Wi-Fi account.

Schools may use the same judge for both a speech event on Friday and a debate event on Saturday. Judges are required according to the following ratio:

One judge for every two policy, LD or PF entries, or portion thereof;

One judge for every five speech entries, or portion thereof;

One judge for every five congress entries, or portion thereof.

Things to remember:

- * Judges are expected to arrive by 2:45 p.m. on Friday and 7:30 a.m. on Saturday (if they did not judge Friday) for the judges' meeting/training, which will take place in the media center.
- * Varsity team members may be used as judges.
- * Meals and snacks are provided for all judges in the Judges' Room.
- * Judges required to stay for final rounds.
- * There is a \$25 fee per round missed by a judge in prelims. The fee increases to \$50 for each elimination round missed. A judge is deemed to have missed a round if their ballot is not picked up within 15 minutes of the start time for an assigned round.



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Food/Concessions/ Entertainment

We will have food, both meals and snacks, available for purchase. We are also planning to provide entertainment options – to be announced later – for those who do not qualify for elimination rounds.

Driving Directions

If you are coming from the north, please exit I-15 at the UT-92 E/Timpanogos Highway exit and proceed east for approximately six miles. Turn right at North County Blvd/4800 West (last light before A.F. Canyon) and proceed south for approximately one mile. Lone Peak H.S. is on the right (West) side of the road.

If you are coming from the South, please exit I-15 at Exit 275 (Pleasant Grove Blvd). Turn right (Northeast) and proceed approximately one-third of a mile to the first traffic light. Turn left (Northwest) onto S. North County Blvd (UT-129). Stay on this road for approximately four and a half miles. Lone Peak is on the left (West) side of the road.

Anything Else

If you think of anything I forgot, please e-mail me at: williampeterson@alpinedistrict.org. See you soon!!