



Please join us for the
REVERE FALL KICKOFF
SPEECH & Big Questions Debate
TOURNAMENT

on Saturday, October 26, 2019

The Revere High School Speech and Debate Team
invites you to compete in
the Revere Fall Kickoff
Speech and Big Questions Debate Tournament,
an MSDL sanctioned double-entry tournament
featuring a full slate of Speech events,
Big Questions Debate, and one spooky special event.

Anticipated Schedule

8:15 to 8:45 AM – Registration *(be sure to call/text* before 8AM)*

8:30 AM – Judges' Meeting & Opening Ceremonies

9:15 AM – Speech/BQ Timeslot One

10:45 AM – Speech/BQ Timeslot Two

12:15 AM – Speech/BQ Timeslot Three

1:45PM – Speech/BQ Timeslot Four

3:15 PM – Speech Semis *(if necessary)* **& Multiple Round**

4:45 PM – Finals

5:45 PM – Closing Ceremonies (Awards)

***Call-ins:** MSDL rules require each team to check in on the morning of the tournament. Please text (preferred) or call in to **857-891-2652** with drops (or no drops) between 7:00 and 8:00 a.m.

General Information

1. **Deadlines:** Registration for the tournament is now open and will end on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 5:00 PM. The deadline for drops and judge registration is Thursday, October 24 at 5:00 PM.
2. **Entries:** The Revere Fall Kickoff is a double-entry tournament, excluding draw events, Student Congress, and BQ Debate entries. In addition, any Speech competitors with the exception of those entered in Student Congress and BQ Debate may enter Multiple Reading as well.
3. **Fees:** There is a six-dollar registration fee per entry; Duo and Multiple Reading are counted as one entry each. For Big Questions Debate, the fee is \$10 per entry. Fees may be paid in cash or by checks made out to "Revere High School".
4. **Judges:** For every five competitors (or fraction thereof) in speech events, each school must provide one judge. One judge is required for every two Big Questions Debate entries (or fraction). Extra judges are always welcome. There is a fifty-dollar fee to pay for a judge's drop or failure to cover your team's judging obligation. Please remember that numbers of required judges are determined at the time of registration, not on the day of the tournament. Also, **WE WILL BE USING ELECTRONIC BALLOTING THIS YEAR in SPEECH EVENTS.** All judges will need an electronic device, preferably a laptop, and will need to register for a free account at Tabroom.com.
5. **Eats:** Food and beverages will be available for purchase in the cafeteria throughout the day.

Events Offered:

Children's Literature	Original Oratory
Declamation	Play Reading
Dramatic Performance	Poetry Reading
Duo Interpretation	Programmed Oral Interp
Extemporaneous Speaking	Prose Reading
Group Discussion	Radio Broadcasting
Impromptu	Storytelling (special event)
Informative Speaking	Student Congress
Multiple	and <u>Big Questions Debate</u>
Novice Extemporaneous Speaking	

Please also register your novices for **Novice Oral Interp** if they are competing in Children's Lit, Play Reading, Poetry or Prose so that they may be included in Novice Oral Interp finals if qualified.

Special Event Offered:

Storytelling: Stories to Tell in the Dark!:

(Six minute maximum w/30 second grace period)

In the spirit of the Halloween season, students participating in this special event will share a story that is strange, scary and/or humorous that could be presented around a campfire for an audience of those in middle and high school. Students may use a manuscript or deliver the performance entirely from memory. The students will present selections either from published literature or from their own imaginations. Competitors are encouraged to use vocal skills, facial expressions, and/or hand gestures to develop a narrator and character/s. The presentation should include an introduction that cites the name of the piece(s) and the source. No costumes or props may be used in the presentation. Students are expected to avoid overly disturbing or violent elements, and any sexual content. Please remember to approach this event in the spirit of entertainment and fun rather than aiming for gruesome shock value.

Time: 6 minute maximum, including introduction (30 second grace); no minimum

Big Questions Debate

Despite being primarily a Speech Tournament, Revere Fall Kickoff will offer competition in Big Questions Debate as well. Big Questions Debate is a debate format that allows students to debate with a partner or as an individual. Debates may be one-on-one, two-on-two, or two-on-one. Topics last all year and concern the intersection of science, philosophy, and religion. Students are assigned a side of the topic before each round and present cases, engage in rebuttal and refutation, and participate in a question period.

The NSDA has released the evidence packet for BQ. Here's the link:

<https://www.speechanddebate.org/big-questions-evidence-packet-2019-2020/>

For further information about BQ Debate, please look here:

<https://www.speechanddebate.org/wp-content/uploads/Big-Questions-Format-Manual.pdf>

This event is open to middle schoolers as well as high school students.

This year's resolution is... Resolved: Objective Morality Exists

Group Discussion

topic area will be
Emerging Technologies,
and will include subtopics such as
biology, energy, military, communication, and/or medical technologies

Radio Broadcasting
copy will be from
current national and international press sources

Extemp
Topics will include
national, economic and international
issues in successive rounds.
Final round focus will be "the Environment"

Big Questions Debate
will use the 2019-2020 topic...
Resolved: Objective morality exists

Awards - Trophies will be awarded to the top six competitors in each Speech event. The top six entries Big Questions Debate will also be recognized. Top novices will receive a special memento.

Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded to the top 7 large schools and top 3 small schools by ranking highest finishers in 10 events plus the next three top finishers.

All those in attendance will be expected to conduct themselves
with appropriate respect for their fellow competitors, judges, our school,
and all private property at all times during the tournament.
Thanks and enjoy!

Directions:

From South of Boston (or Boston itself): Take Route 93 North through Boston to Route 1 North via Tobin Bridge (exit 27, exit left after Zakim Bridge). Take 5th exit after bridge, Sargent Street, W. Revere. Take a left at end of ramp. After approximately one mile, take right at 2nd light onto Broadway. Take first left onto Mountain Ave. Take first left onto School Street. Revere High School is at the immediate right. Please park in the parking lot at the rear of the building.

From West of Boston: Take the Mass Pike (Route 90) to Route 93 North through Boston to Route 1 North via Tobin Bridge (exit 27 exit left after Zakim Bridge). Take 5th exit after bridge, Sargent Street, W. Revere. Take a left at end of ramp. After approximately one mile, take right at 2nd light onto Broadway. Take first left onto Mountain Ave. Take first left onto School Street. Revere High School is at the immediate right. Please park in the parking lot at the rear of the building.

From North of Boston: Take Route 1 South to Exit 27, Route 60. At end of ramp, enter rotary & follow $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way around onto Route 60 east, Squire Road Revere. Follow Route 60 for approximately .8 mile to 2nd rotary. Enter rotary and take first right onto Broadway. Follow Broadway .7 mile. Take left onto (East) Mountain Ave. Take first left onto School Street. Revere High School is at the immediate right. Please park in the parking lot at the rear of the building.

From East of Boston: You'll need a boat...

We look forward to seeing you on October 26th!