

Tournament of Firsts

2019

Dear High School Speech Coaches:

Danville High School is proud to invite you to the 26th annual Tournament of Firsts on November 23. Entry registration will be through our tournament site at www.tabroom.com.

CATEGORIES OFFERED

All fourteen KHSSL Speech events will be offered (KHSSL rules) plus Congressional Debate. Please check the latest KHSSL Handbook at www.khssl.org for event rules and regulations.

ENTRIES

You may enter as many students per event as you like; the best three competitors from your team in each event will count toward team sweepstakes. Each entry will be charged \$6.00. Duo Interp and Duo Improv will be charged \$12.00. Danville High is very limited in classrooms (we are a school of just over 500), so we cannot have three full rounds of each event at the same time; therefore, we will hold two rounds plus a final for each event. Should an event be particularly large -- over 60 -- we will explore options of additional breaks, but we obviously won't know of any changes like that until just before the tournament date. Students may enter up to two events in each flight. No tripling in a flight. No doubling in Flight A if you are entered in Congress.

FLIGHTS

A: Broadcasting, Congress, Dramatic, Duo Interpretation, Improv Duo, Informative, Oratory, Poetry
B: Declamation, Extemporaneous, Humorous, Impromptu, POI, Prose, Storytelling

AWARDS

Trophies will be awarded to 1st – 6th places in all events plus sweepstakes.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Improv Duo will be student choice for all rounds. Broadcasting will use KHSSL rules for Rounds 1 and 2 plus Finals. Congress will have an additional session (Finals for everybody!) during the last hour of Finals. Students in Congress who advance to Flight B Finals should go to Flight B Finals FIRST and then join Congress.

FOOD

Food will be available to purchase at the school. Pizza will be available for lunch at 11:30 for \$1.50 a slice.

SCHEDULE

7-8 AM Registration
8:30 AM Round 1 Flight A
8:30 AM Congress Session 1
10:00 AM Round 2 Flight A
10:00 AM Congress Session 2
11:30 AM Extemp Draw Round 1 in the Library
12:00 PM Round 1 Flight B
1:00 PM Extemp Draw Round 2 in the Library
1:30 PM Round 2 Flight B
3:00-3:15 PM Finals Posted for all events
3:00 PM Broadcasting/Extemp Draw for Finals begins
3:30 PM Finals begin
4:00 PM Congress Session 3
5:30ish PM Awards Ceremony in Gravely Hall

JUDGES/FEEES

You must provide one judge for every six entries or fraction thereof; 7 entries = 2 judges, etc. Remember, Duo Interp and Improv Duo count as one entry in judges needed and as two entries in fees to pay (\$6 per kid = \$12 per duo entry). You may hire judges you do not provide for \$35 apiece. Your judges should be familiar with the KHSSL rules and ballots. We promise them lots of goodies and coffee. Congress schools will be asked to name one judge from your school who can serve as a scorer or parliamentarian.

ENTRY DEADLINES/LEGISLATION

Tournament deadline is 12 PM Eastern Time, Wednesday, November 20. Any adds or drops after this time will be subject to a \$6 nuisance fee plus the entry fee and will have to occur via email with Beth Marlowe or Maggie Jenkins (only -- no phone calls and the website will be locked). Substitutions are free of charge until the conclusion of registration on Saturday. Please note that our school is small and our tournament is not. If we are full at 12 PM on Wednesday, we will not add your school's entry late, no matter how much we love you. Don't be late!

CONGRESS BILLS/RESOLUTIONS are due to Maggie Jenkins (e-mail below) by 4 PM Tuesday, November 19. We will NOT be taking late bills and resolutions so all have equal time to research. Please note that our Congress includes teaching time for beginners but is also a contest.

PHONE CALLS AND E-MAILS

E-mail is the most efficient way to reach us. Our cell phone numbers and e-mails are listed below. E-mail is nearly always the best option! We look forward to seeing you!

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