

Rookie Rumble 2019
East Valley High School

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The East Valley debate team cordially invites you to the Rookie Rumble 2019 on Oct. 25-26 at East Valley High School.

Maximum Entry Limits: First come, first serve! When rooms are full, our tournament is full.

A school is allowed to enter up to 12 students per squad. This can be any combination of Policy, LD, PF, or Congressional Debate. Schools that have more than 12 novice competitors may submit a second or even third squad. However, additional squads will be put on a waitlist until all schools have had the chance to register to make sure that there is enough space.

Extra squads will be considered on a first come first serve basis. Those squads will be considered after 5:00 PM on Mon, 21 October. Schools who register late may be turned away due to space limitations.

Registration:

Please register online at Tabroom.com.

We must reserve the right to refuse entries once the physical capacity of the EVHS facilities has been met. First come/first served entries guarantee a reserved spot for early registration. Once the reserved spots have been taken, no other entries will be accepted.

Registration deadline: Monday, 21 October. Second squads will be accepted starting 5:00PM Monday, 21 October, so please send your entry early! Drops only after Wednesday, Oct. 23. Fees will be assessed as of 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 23. After 5PM on Wednesday, all drops or judge changes must be emailed to me at hennesseyk@evsd.org

Please notify us of drops prior to registration.

Washington State's Supervision Requirement

The Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA) requires, and we must enforce, the presence at all times of a certificated staff member from the same school or school district, supervising your participants. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in school forfeiture and dismissal from the tournament.

Food

We will again offer food concessions at reasonable prices. There are no food options within walking distance, and the schedule is very tight, so leaving by car is not recommended either.

Important!

Please review the Important Policies sheet with your entire team. We cannot hold these tournaments without procedures that ensure our schools and staffs that diligent care will be taken to protect their property and our school.

DEBATE

Cross Examination Debate

Resolution: The 2019-2020 topic is “**Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially reduce Direct Commercial Sales and/or Foreign Military Sales of arms from the United States.**”

Policy debaters will be required to run one of the five novice case areas outlined by the WSFA and will refrain from running any counterplans. They may **only** run the Militarism Kritik. As discussed at the fall meeting, policy novices will be using the same evidence set in order to encourage a mastery of debate skills instead of particular arguments. The novice evidence can be emailed upon request (mandrews@gprep.com) and will also be sent out to all local area coaches

Lincoln Douglas Debate

Resolution: The November/December Lincoln-Douglas topic is “**Resolved: Civil disobedience in a democracy is morally justified.**”

Times: 6-3-7-3-4-6-3 with four (4) minutes of prep time per person.

Public Forum

Resolution: The November/December Public Forum topic is “**Resolved: The benefits of the United States federal government’s use of offensive cyber operations outweigh the harms.**”

Times: 4-4-2-4-4-2-3-3-2-2 with three (3) minutes of prep time per team.

CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE

Congress will coincide with Debate. There will be NO student choice. Best PO will be chosen by the parliamentarian and the top three speakers in each division will be determined by judges.

As per WSFA rules, students will be allowed to use computers in round for flowing, note taking, the reading of speeches and looking up pre-prepared evidence. Internet use will not be allowed, and scorers will be seated in a way to catch violators of this rule. The use of computers is at the risk of the individual competitor. Power strips will not be provided for competitors. Students are not allowed to use computers that are currently in the classroom. Competitors who unplug objects in a classroom will be disqualified from the tournament. The tournament will not be liable for any computer crashes or technological issues, and students should bring paper copies of evidence and speeches to be prepared for this occurrence.

- Legislation:
 - The official legislation adopted by the State will be the legislation used for the tournament. A copy of the legislation is available at www.wiaa.com/finearts/forensics/.
 - Please have your students in Congress bring their own copies of the legislation. **NO COPIES WILL BE PROVIDED.**
 - We will follow the docket setting method suggested by the WSFA committee. Each school represented in each house will draw numbers to determine the order for a legislation draft. They will then take turns picking bills to be debated. This will determine the docket for the session. For further clarification, please refer to the first page of the packet.
 - Separate Legislation for Super Congress is included in the WSFA packet and will **ONLY** be used for Super Congress.

IMPORTANT POLICIES

We ask that everyone at the tournament—adults, judges, and students—respect the following rules. Failure to do so may result in disqualification or dismissal from the tournament.

The Commons is available for student gathering. Students should not congregate elsewhere throughout the building.

Each team is responsible for its own area. Please encourage your teams to be tidy and to clean up their garbage. Other people at the school who are not associated with speech and debate will develop a better perception of who we are. Secure valuables that belong to you; leave others' valuables alone.

Water only is allowed out of the commons area. No other beverages or food are permitted in classrooms or other areas of the school.

NO ONE (student or adult) is permitted to sit at teachers' desks or to borrow materials (pens, etc.) from a teacher's supplies. Please do not bother decorative items or classroom displays.

Please only rearrange the furniture as necessary to hold the round.

STUDENTS ARE NEVER PERMITTED TO ENTER A ROOM WITHOUT A JUDGE.

JUDGES

This year, as in previous years, Varsity debaters who are in their junior or senior year will be allowed to judge as well as any adult judges. The Varsity judges must have ***two years*** of experience! (**Junior Varsity judges are not permitted.**) Please remind your judges that they have the self-esteem of the Rookies in their hands, so we expect them to be responsible and reliable. Please review the judging guidelines provided with your judges prior to the tournament. Also, we would like to keep this tournament running quickly and smoothly, so please explain to your varsity debaters and judges that the rounds must begin on time or as soon as the judge arrives. Please refrain from delaying the tournament and rounds by “prepping” students after the judge arrives. Complaints made to the TAB room about these kinds of infractions could result in teams and/or schools being dropped from the tournament. Each team needs to provide enough judging to cover their entry based on the following formula: 1 judge for every 2 policy teams, 1 judge for every 2 PF teams, 1 judge for every 4 LD entries, 1 judge for every 6 congress entries. **Reminder: If you bring an odd number of entries, you must provide the next higher number of judges. (Example: 3 policy teams = 2 policy judges!)**

Rookie Rumble **SCHEDULE**

Friday

3:00-3:30 Registration
3:45 Debate (Policy, LD, & PF) Round I
4:00 Congressional Debate Session I
5:45 Debate Round II
6:30 Congressional Debate Session II
7:45 Debate Round III

Saturday

8:00 Debate Round IV
9:00 Congressional Debate Session III
10:15 Debate Round V
12:30 Debate Quarters
2:30 Debate Semis
4:30 Debate Finals
6:15 Awards

**We look forward to seeing you at the Rookie Rumble on
October 25th!**

Fee Calculations

To calculate the amount due at registration, use the following fee calculation format:

_____ Squad Fee	@	\$25.00 _____
_____ Policy Teams	@	\$20.00 _____
_____ Public Forum Teams	@	\$20.00 _____
_____ Lincoln-Douglas Debaters	@	\$15.00 _____
_____ Congressional Debaters	@	\$ 5.00 _____

TOTAL _____

Payment is due at time of registration. No money, no competing!

****Registration fee will be increased for teams that do not bring
enough qualified judges to cover their entry!***