

2020

PHSSL District 3 Qualifying Tournament

COACHES:

There will be NO registration fee this year for any qualifying student. With that said there will only be certificates for qualifiers and alternates. The PHSSL Pin will still be given for the District Champion.

CONGRESS LEGISLATION DUE BY FEBRUARY 14th

District 3

Bethel Park High School	Oakland Catholic High School	Bishop Canevin High School
Lakeview Christian Academy	Moon Area High School	Mt. Lebanon High School
North Hills High School	Peters Township High School	Pittsburgh Central Catholic
Seton La Salle High School	South Fayette High School	The Ellis School
Upper St. Clair High School	West Allegheny High School	Winchester Thurston School

District Co-Chairs: Michael Shaffer & Benjamin Edwards

Location: Moon High School
8353 University Blvd, Coraopolis, PA 15108

Welcome to the 2020 PHSSL District 3 Qualifying Tournament

Events being offered are:

Humorous Interp	Commentary
Dramatic Interp	Extemporaneous
Duo Interp	Prose
	Poetry
Policy	Original Oratory – Informative
Lincoln Douglas	Original Oratory – Persuasive
Public Forum	
Parliamentary	Student Congress Senate

Judging Requirements

Speech	1 judge for every 4 competitors (or partners)
Debate	PF,LD & Parli 1 judge for every 2 individuals or teams
CX	1 judge for every 2
Congress	All congress judges will combined in the speech poll

PLEASE NOTE: All debate judges may be swapped in all types of debates. All speech judges are may be swapped in all speech and congress events.

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When Registering Judges in Tabroom. Please indicate in Qualification History what events the judge can judge. We will need to cross Speech judges into Debate and Debate judges into Speech. The indication will help with this process. Also, check September Communicator at phssl.org for rule changes/updates in Poetry, Congress, and Parli debate.

Speech & Debate Schedule

7:00-7:30 Registration
7:30 Opening in Cafeteria
7:45 Judges Meeting in Cafeteria /
Exempt & Commentary Starts
8:00 – 9:15 Round 1
9:15 – 10:30 Round 2
10:30 – 11:45 Round 3
11:45 – 12:30 Lunch
12:30 – 2:00 Finals
3:00 Closing Ceremony

Congress Schedule

7:00-7:30 Registration
7:30 Opening in Cafeteria
7:45 Judges Meeting in Cafeteria
8:00 – 11:00 Morning Session
11:00 – 12:00 Lunch
12:00 – 2:00 Afternoon Session
2:00 Voting
3:00 Closing Ceremony
Breaks determined by Parli

Policy Topic

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially reduce Direct Commercial Sales and/or Foreign Military Sales of arms from the United States.

Public Forum Topic

Resolved: The United States should replace means-tested welfare programs with a universal basic income.

Lincoln Douglas Topic

Resolved: States ought to eliminate their nuclear arsenals.

Parliamentary Debate

Prepared Topic: This House believes that negative political advertising is significantly detrimental to the democratic process.

Impromptu Topics

- 1) Political Advertising
- 2) Space
- 3) Nuclear Energy
- 4) Pittsburgh

Extemporaneous Speaking Topics

- 5) Race for the Presidency
- 6) Climate Change
- 7) Arab World
- 8) European Nationalism

Commentary Topics

- 1) U.S. High School Experience
- 2) Cartoons - Past and Present
- 3) Leading Women in Modern-Day Politics
- 4) Classic Literature

COACHES:

*All Teams Will Be Required to Supply 1 person to work a Tabroom
Assignment that **WILL NOT** count towards the judging quota. If meeting this
requirement is an issue contact Michael Shaffer or
Ben Edwards ASAP.*

Tabroom Assignment

Host Operations	Moon Area High School
Overall	Upper St. Clair High School West Allegheny High School
Speech	North Hills High School Oakland Catholic High School Winchester Thurston School
Debate	Bishop Canevin High School Lakeview Christian Academy Mt. Lebanon High School
Ballot Table	Peters Township High School Pittsburgh Central Catholic
Judges	The Ellis School South Fayette High School
Certificates & Awards	Seton La Salle High School Bethel Park High School

If you do not want to work tabroom or can not work tabroom (because of judge requirements) please contact Ben Edwards or Michael Shaffer before February 19th.

Additional Information

- Registration is located on <http://www.tabroom.com>
- Please email Ben Edwards bedwards@uscsd.k12.pa.us with the best way to contact you for information.
- Senate Legislation Due by **Thursday, February 14th at 4:00 PM**. The packet will be posted on Tabroom by the end of the day Saturday, February 16th.
- If you have sent in a Senate Bill please double check with Michael Shaffer mshaffer@westasd.org to make sure the bill is received.
- Check September Communicator at phssl.org for rule changes/updates in both speech and debate categories.
- A team can enter 2 in each category.
- All judges must be out of high school at least 2 years (Sophomore Year).
- No Categories will be combined. The number of qualifiers to States is based on the number of students competing.
- We will have Trophies for State Qualifiers and medals for State Alternates.
- Registration will be in the **Moon High School 2nd Floor Tab Room**.
- Tabroom will be located on 2nd floor.
- Opening and Closing Ceremonies will be in the cafeteria.
- Lunch Tickets will be on sale for \$5.00
- At the end of the Round Judges are to report back to the Judges' Lounge and Competitors are to report to the Cafeteria.
- All Rounds will be posted in the cafeteria.
- Speech & Debate Judges will use online ballots.
- Coaches MUST make sure their judges are linked before the tournament.
- If there are any problems or concerns please feel free to email bedwards@uscsd.k12.pa.us or mshaffer@westasd.org or call my cell (724)601-3890. If you have drops please call ahead.**