

Greetings fellow Speech & Debate coaches & competitors!

You are cordially invited to attend the 16th annual...

HENRY CLAY SPEAK OF THE DEVIL SENIOR & JUNIOR DIVISION



VIRTUAL SPEECH & DEBATE TOURNAMENT

The live portion of the tournament will be held on **Saturday, October 24th, 2020**, via tabroom.com & NSDA Campus. Online registration will be held on **Tuesday, October 20th** beginning at 12:00 PM EST and ending at 5:00 PM EST (*all teams must check in with me via email within this timeframe to review any last minute changes, including drops, adds, or substitutions*).

GENERAL TOURNAMENT INFO

EVENTS OFFERED: We will be offering all fourteen KHSSL Senior (*high school*) Speech events, all 12 KHSSL Junior (*middle school*) Speech events, & all 4 KHSSL Debate events (*FOLLOWING KHSSL RULES WHICH FOR THE MOST PART MIRROR NSDA RULES - IF YOU NEED ACCESS TO THESE RULES, PLEASE EMAIL ME FOR THE LINK TO THAT INFORMATION*).

NOTE: *Any category that cannot fulfill a minimum of 6 entries may be dropped from the competition – you will be notified of this change in the event that this occurs to allow you time to relocate your students to another event should you so choose.*

ENTRIES: We will be offering a maximum of **50 entries total per event**, so it is highly encouraged for you to register your students as soon as you can confirm their attendance. Students may **Quadruple** (*Compete in up to 4 IE events*). **Since most if not all Speech events will be held asynchronously, students entered in IE may also enter in Debate as Debate will be held live virtually on Saturday, October 24th.** There will be two preliminary rounds of IE plus finals along with 2 to 3 preliminary rounds of Debate (*dependent on the # of entries*) plus out-rounds (*at minimum there will be semi-finals & finals but potentially there will be quarter-finals as well if numbers warrant it*). Congress will have either 3 preliminary chambers (*with no finals but scores treated as cumulative throughout the day*) or two preliminary chambers plus supers (*finals*) if the entry numbers warrant this.

**Note: As Congress, LD, PF, and Policy are not KHSSL prequalifying events, Henry Clay High students will likely participate in them but HCHS will not be included in Sweepstakes.*

Cost: Each IE speech entry will be \$6, with Duo Acting, Duo Interp, & Improv Duo charging \$12. Congress & Lincoln-Douglas entries will be \$10 while Public Forum & Policy Debate entries will be \$20.

**NOTE - There will be a \$10 charge added to each team in attendance to cover the shipping of awards post-tournament. If your team does not get an award for your efforts, this \$10 charge will be offered as credit for a future Speak of the Devil tournament (but sadly I cannot do refunds) - just remind me of this charge for our next competition that you attend if your team does not receive an award and I will be happy to issue your credit at that time!*

SPEECH events will be held asynchronously, which means your students will record them via an online platform (*YouTube, Google Meets, a recorded Zoom session, etc.*) and submit them as viewable by all via a sharable link for which any judge may be able to see them. It is recommended that the recordings of your students include the entire view of the student for the entire time with good sound and lighting in the performance. It is also recommended that your submitted recordings are of good quality but also able to easily be viewed by any judge's device (*the higher the quality sometimes slows up the buffering speed of the viewing, so please consider this when recording*).

NOTE: When registering your students, it will be a requirement to include the link to their performance in order for your entry to be eligible. The link can be shared on the 'Piece Title' section of their entry when you register them.

For the **LIMITED PREP EVENTS** of *Broadcasting, Extemp, Impromptu, & Improv Duo*, the topics will be released on Tuesday, October 20th at 5:00 PM EST and your students will have 24 hours from that point to record and send to you (*of which you will then forward to me*) their links to their performances. All limited prep event links must be returned to me by Wednesday, October 21st at 5:00 PM EST in order to be eligible for the competition. While this is an extended time beyond the normal parameters of an in-person competition, it allows more than adequate time to prep, rehearse, and record while also allotting for technical glitches in between. **NO recordings will be accepted for any of these events past the Wednesday, October 21st 5:00 PM deadline so please do not wait till the last minute to take care of these events for your students.** Any entry that is registered in a limited prep event but has not turned in their recorded link to me by the deadline will be considered a DROP with fees applied at that time.

NOTE: When registering your students for these particular limited prep events, in the *Piece Title* section just put (*to be emailed*) so you can get them added to your entry. I will manually include the link to the videos for these events once they have been sent to me.

JUDGING OF SPEECH ROUNDS - Prelim rounds will be held asynchronously which means that your judges can complete them anytime from Thursday, October 22nd (beginning at 8:00 AM EST) or on Friday, October 23rd, with the deadline for completion being at 5:00 PM EST on October 23rd. Finals for speech events will be announced on Friday evening via Tabroom, with assignments being blasted that same evening and those judging assignments for finals must be completed by Saturday morning, October 24th at 12:00 PM NOON EST. All speech judges must

be available for a minimum of 3 asynchronous rounds plus finals (if chosen) in order to fulfill an entire judging slot.

DEBATE events will be held live on Saturday (*schedule posted below*) with the first round of competition beginning at **1:00 PM**. There will be 2 to 3 preliminary rounds of debate + semi-finals (*dependent on the # of entries*) + finals in each event.

REGISTRATION

Entry registration will be managed through www.tabroom.com. You will need to create a user account at that site if you do not have one in order to register.

ALL JUDGES ON YOUR TEAM NEED TO CREATE A TABROOM ACCOUNT & LINK IT TO YOUR SCHOOL

Registration for the Henry Clay Speak of the Devil Senior Tournament is located here:

https://www.tabroom.com/index/tourn/index.mhtml?tourn_id=16756

Deadline for entries & Congress Legislation is 5:00 PM on Tuesday, October 20

Drops/adds after the deadline will be charged \$10 fee per single entry & \$20 per Duo Interp, Improv Duo, Public Forum or Policy entry in addition to the original entry fees

Judges: You must supply one judge for every six IE or Congress entries (6 slots = 1 judge; 12 slots = 2 judges; 13 slots = 3 judges; etc.) For debate you must supply one judge for every two debaters (1 slot = 1 judge; 3 slots = 2 judges, etc.) A fee of \$40 per missing judge will be assessed. Please make sure that **all** your judges are familiar with **all** KHSSL rules in the 2020-2021 KHSSL Handbook so they can properly assess the students.

***NOTE – Judges will be asked to potentially judge BOTH Senior & Junior KHSSL Events – so please prep your judges of this beforehand as all judges will be expected to adhere to this obligation.**

AWARDS

Awards will be given to the top 6 entrants per speech event / top 4 entrants per debate event. Awards will be medals so I can easily mail them out to you (*in one box per team*) post tournament and post confirming all owed fees have been paid in full. So yes, awards will be given because if you've taken the time and consideration to attend our tournament we want to extend our gratitude by giving your students their well-deserved award(s)! The Blue Devils want you coming back to our tournament every year and we are NOT cheap hosts! :)

Sweepstakes: Sweepstakes awards will be given to the top school in Junior Speech, the top school in Senior Speech, and the top school in Debate. This is a change from years past but due

to this being a virtual tournament (*and shipping costs being free of charge*) I am limited to providing only 1 sweepstakes award per tournament.

SCHEDULES

Speech Schedule:

Registration: Tuesday, 10/20 from 12:00 PM EST through 5 PM EST*

** ALL non-limited prep recordings must be uploaded by the end of registration...no exceptions! We simply will not have time to accept them past this deadline.*

NOTE - this is my CURRENT plan below. If my plan changes from below I will update this document so please be watching this regularly as we get closer to October.

LTD Prep Event Prelims recorded Tuesday, 10/20 @ 5PM EST through Wednesday 10/21 @ 5PM EST

Prelim Speech Judging Thursday, 10/22 8:00 AM EST through Friday, 10/23 at 5:00 PM EST

Finals Speech judging - Friday evening on 10/23 through Saturday, 10/24, at 12:00 PM NOON

Awards announced Saturday evening, 10/24, by 8PM EST or sooner

Debate Schedule:

Round I: **1:00 PM to 2:00 PM**

Round II: **2:30 PM to 3:30 PM**

Round III: **4:00 PM to 5:30 PM**

Round IV (*or Semis, if necessary*): **6:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

Finals (*if not complete by Round IV*): **7:30 PM to 8:30 PM**

Awards: **Announced live by 9:15 PM or sooner**

Congress Schedule:

TO BE ANNOUNCED - Dependent on # of entries...

(Note: Format and schedule are subject to change due to the size of the tournament. You will be notified the day of the tournament - or earlier if possible - of any changes.)

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment: We accept cash or check. Please make checks for the competition payable to:

Henry Clay Debate

Please mail checks for payment to:

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CONTACT INFORMATION

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**If you need my cell #, send me an email and I'll be happy to share it with you so you can text me in case that is easier...I just don't want my # published on the internet :)*

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND WE HOPE TO HAVE
YOU WITH US FOR OUR FIRST EVER ENTIRELY VIRTUAL
TOURNAMENT!**