

**Welcome to the online
SAN DIEGO DEBATE OPENER INVITATIONAL**

The speech and debate programs at Helix Charter High School, Bonita Vista High School and Francis Parker School invite all San Diego Imperial Valley Speech League (SDIVSL) member schools to compete in the Inaugural San Diego Debate Opener and San Diego IE Opener Invitational tournaments. Both tournaments will be conducted online on the NSDA Campus platform.

Please note that students, coaches and judges should approach these tournaments as a learning opportunity early in the season as we all adjust to speech and debate competitions being held online. We cannot guarantee that judges will not be affiliated with schools that have students in a round (but individual judges should disqualify themselves if they feel that they cannot be fair and impartial due to knowing a competitor). This will be dependent upon the number of schools competing. We also cannot guarantee that we will have enough entries in each event to have both a novice division and a varsity division and the number of rounds for any event may be subject to change depending on the number of entries in each event.

October 2-3, 2020 DEBATE

Students may compete in ONE debate event (Lincoln-Douglas, Congress, Policy Debate, Public Forum Debate and Parliamentary Debate)

Schedule (subject to change)

The number of rounds for each debate event will be premised on the number of entries.

Friday, October 2, 2020:

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| 5:00 PM | All teams and judges check in |
| 6:00 PM | Round 1 for all debate events with Parli/PF/LD being double-flighted |

Saturday, October 3, 2020:

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| 8:00 AM | All teams and judges check in |
| 8:40 AM | Parli draw |
| 9:00 AM | Round 2 for all debate events with double flights for Parli/PF/LD |
| 10:40 AM | Parli draw |
| 11:00 AM | Round 3 for all debate events with double flights for Parli/PF/LD |
| 1:40 PM | Parli draw |
| 2:00 PM | Round 4 for all debate events with double flights for Parli/PF/LD |
| 3:40 PM | Parli draw |
| 4:00 PM | Round 5 for all VARSITY 3-1 and 4-0 Parli/PF/LD competitors |
| 6:30 PM | Recognition ceremony |

Registration/Entry Fees

\$10 for LD and Congress

\$20 for Parli, PF and Policy teams

Deadline to register and enter drops on TABROOM is September 25th at 5 PM.

Link: https://www.tabroom.com/index/tourn/index.mhtml?tourn_id=17105

Registration fees are final as of September 28th at 5 PM. Checks should be made out to Helix Charter School and mailed (with a postmark no later than September 28th) to

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As a courtesy, please notify the tournament of drops made after September 28th by October 1, 2020.

Eligible Competitors

All San Diego Imperial Valley Speech League member schools are eligible to participate. Each competing student must have a Tabroom.com account linked to a SDIVSL member school. No independent students will be allowed to compete. Each competing school must have a coach who is available by cell phone while the tournament is ongoing.

Judging Requirements

Each school must provide one judge for every four entries. Each judge must have a Tabroom.com account.

Topics

For both novice and varsity LD, we will be using the NSDA September/October topic of: "Resolved: In a democracy, voting ought to be compulsory."

For both novice and varsity Policy, we will be using the NSDA topic of "Resolved: The United States federal government should enact substantial criminal justice reform in the United States in one or more of the following: forensic science, policing, sentencing."

For both novice and varsity Public Forum, we will be using the NSDA topic of "Resolved: The United States federal government should enact the Medicare-For-All Act of 2019."

Use of the Internet/Parli Prep

Due to the virtual nature of these tournaments, students competing in Parliamentary Debate will be allowed to use the internet during the 20 minute preparation time but not during the actual round. Parli teams will be required to report to the virtual "Parli prep room" where they will be given their topics; after they are given their topics they do not have to stay in the Parli prep room to do their preparation but are expected to report to their virtual room for the round at the expected time.

Students competing in LD, Policy, Public Forum and Congress are not allowed to use the internet during their rounds.

Congress

Congress legislation/resolutions will be posted on Tabroom on September 25, 2020. Congress houses will be run by volunteer Presiding Officers and not by students competing in the tournament.

Rules

The tournament will follow CHSSA rules and procedures.

LD

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| Aff Constructive | 6 min |
| Cross Examination | 3 min |
| Negative Constructive | 7 min |
| Cross Examination | 3 min |
| 1st Aff Rebuttal | 4 min |
| Neg Rebuttal | 6 min |
| 2nd Aff Rebuttal | 3 min |
| <i>Preparation time</i> | <i>4 min total for each competitor</i> |

Policy Debate

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| 1st Aff Constructive | 8 min |
| Cross Examination | 3 min |
| 1st Neg Constructive | 8 min |
| Cross Examination | 3 min |
| 2nd Aff Constructive | 8 min |
| Cross Examination | 3 min |
| 2nd Neg Constructive | 8 min |
| Cross Examination | 3 min |
| 1st Neg Rebuttal | 5 min |
| 1st Aff Rebuttal | 5 min |
| 2nd Neg Rebuttal | 5 min |
| 2nd Aff Rebuttal | 5 min |
| <i>Preparation time</i> | <i>8 min for each team</i> |

Parliamentary Debate

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| 1st Proposition | 7 min |
| 1st Opposition | 8 min |
| 2nd Proposition | 8 min |
| 2nd Opposition | 8 min |
| Opp Rebuttal | 4 min |
| Prop Rebuttal | 5 min |

Public Forum

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| 1st Aff Speaker/Constructive | 4 min |
| 1st Neg Speaker/Constructive | 4 min |
| Crossfire | 3 min |
| 2nd Aff Speaker/Rebuttal | 4 min |
| 2nd Neg Speaker/Rebuttal | 4 min |
| Crossfire | 3 min |
| 1st Aff Speaker/Summary | 3 min |
| 1st Neg Speaker/Summary | 3 min |
| Grand Crossfire | 3 min |
| 2nd Aff Speaker/Final Focus | 2 min |
| 2nd Neg Speaker/Final Focus | 2 min |
| <i>Preparation time</i> | <i>3 min for each team</i> |