



Jackrabbit Jamboree 2021 Coach/Judge Instructions

- 1) Pairings and ballots will be released 30 minutes before the start of the round. **When you get a ballot notification, please open it up and click “Start Round” as soon as possible so we know you have accepted the ballot.**
- 2) If you are assigned to a live round, go to the NSDA Campus room 15 minutes before the scheduled round start time. All asynchronous speech prelim rounds must be turned in no later than 10:00 AM Arizona Time on Saturday.
- 3) We will start replacing missing judges five minutes before the scheduled round start time. Please take your ballots and be in your rooms...your feedback is important.
- 4) If there are problems or questions, please use the help box in NSDA Campus to send us a help ticket. If the issue is with an asynchronous round or you do not get a response, text our tournament help desk at **(480) 594-2507**. Please do not declare anyone a forfeit until you clear it with the help desk.
- 5) In Debate, we will utilize a 10-minute tech time period. If there is a tech issue which prevents a team from competing, they will have 10 minutes total during the round to solve the problem. If after 10 minutes they are unable to continue, the round will be a forfeit.
- 6) Please provide comments and reasons-for-decision on all ballots (both debate and speech). Students and coaches are looking for constructive comments on how to improve their performance.
- 7) In recognition of the fact that not all students have equal access to technology or other elements traditionally associated with speech and debate, please refrain from commenting on the quality of their video, lighting, audio, dress, or other factors outside of their immediate control.
- 8) Please turn in all ballots promptly to help the tournament run smoothly. Type as you go. Waiting until the end of the round to begin typing comments delays the ballot and the tournament.
- 9) Impromptu topics will be linked on the ballot itself.
- 10) In Debate: The speaker point range is 20-30. Lower points are acceptable only in cases of clear ethical/behavioral misconduct. Please indicate this clearly on the ballot. Half points and ties are acceptable in debate speaker points only.
- 11) In Individual Events: The speaker point range is between 21-50. No ties in Speaker points. In the event of a time penalty, please indicate this clearly on the student ballot as well as the cover sheet. Adjust your speaker points to match the new rankings.
- 12) In all events, if there is suspicion of a rules violation or inappropriate material, please check before turning in your ballots.

Thank you all so much for your hard work in making the Jamboree such a wonderful tournament!