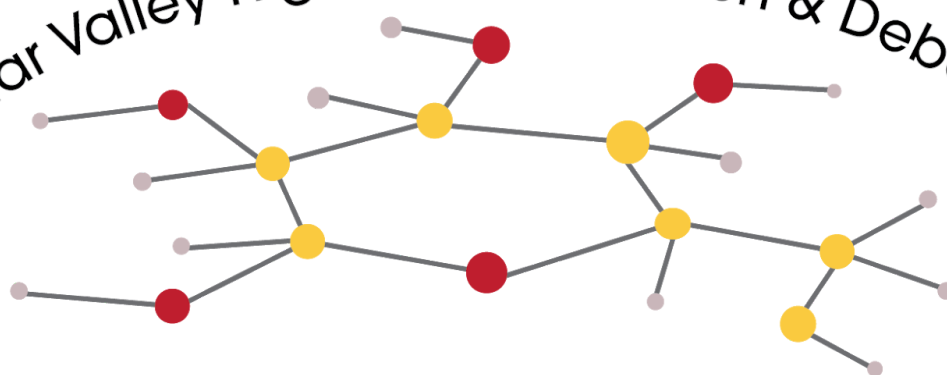


Star Valley High School Speech & Debate



Dear Coaches,

The Star Valley High School Speech & Debate Team cordially invites you to our “sweet” inaugural Virtual Speech Tournament to be held on Friday and Saturday, January 22 and 23, 2021. Schools wishing to attend our meet will be entered on a first come, first serve basis. There will be an initial registration limit of 4 entries per event . Registration will take place at <http://starvalley2021.tabroom.com>

The platform that will be used is NSDA Campus.

EVENTS

We will offer all State events in varsity categories. There will be 4 rounds of CX, PF and LD and 3 rounds of all other events, plus semis and finals of most events. However, if some events have low entry numbers, these might go straight to finals.

State rules will apply unless otherwise indicated in this invitation.

Debate:

We will be single-flighting Debate (which is why we are able to have a late start time on Friday).

The topics are as follows.

Lincoln Douglas: Resolved: States ought to ban lethal autonomous weapons.

Public Forum: Resolved: The National Security Agency should end its surveillance of U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents.

Policy: 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.

Ties in debate will be broken by power of opposition first, followed by speaker points.

Manuscript/visual aid usage: Poetry and POI competitors must use a manuscript. All other events are memorized. Informative Speaking competitors may use visual aids.

Congress. Congressional Debate will be in the HOPE pattern.

The legislation will be chosen from the State database corresponding to the competitors who are **entered on tabroom on 1/8/21**. Please make sure your student's legislation is in the database **prior** to that date if you would like it to be on the docket.

We will release the docket to registered schools on **1/11/21**.

Super Congress legislation will be taken from various sources, and will be released along with the regular docket.

Extemporaneous Speaking. Questions will be taken from November, December & January NFHS (available through the link in the State Newsletter Londe sends out each month) and NSDA questions (available on NSDA site) but also in the same linked document. The format will be that of the new state rule passed last fall, and judges will have copies of the speakers' questions. Draw will take place at 7-minute intervals, and will be embedded into the HOPEIC pattern. Extemp speakers must have their cameras activated (but volume muted) during their prep time.

Internet usage:

Policy, Lincoln-Douglas, Public Forum, and Congressional Debate may all use the Internet in strict adherence to the following rules:

<https://www.speechanddebate.org/wp-content/uploads/Pilot-Internet-Rules-2020.pdf>

Additionally, Extemporaneous competitors may use the Internet as permitted by those same rules.

Judging. Many judges will be Star Valley community members but we will have a requirement of accompanying judges for each team. If bringing accompanying judges is an

issue for your team, please contact tournament director Katie Roberts (karoberts@lcsdz.org). Most likely, we will need to use some coaches for back-up in case of "no-show" judges. Please register your judges on tabroom. All judges must have linked tabroom accounts in order to access online ballots.

[Click here for instructions on How to use online ballots, link accounts, and submit results and comments - For Judges](#)

[Click Here for Additional Instructions For Judges](#)

Please note- all entries will be waitlisted until the media release form is turned in. Due to this, the judging burden will not appear on tabroom until the waitlisted entries have been changed to active status. So please enter your judges early so you are not caught unaware by the judging burden

ENTRY LIMITS AND DEADLINES

In general, our tournament format encourages double entering. Students who double within a pattern do so **at their own risk**. However, **Policy Debaters cannot double within the "D" pattern**. We discourage Congress competitors from tripling within the HOPE pattern, but if you want to get the experience, go for it!

Initial registration numbers are due on **Monday, 11 January 2021**. Please get them sooner rather than later!

Final registration entry adds are due on **Wednesday, 20 January 2021**.

Only drops or substitutions will be allowed after the final registration deadline (no adds). Registration will be through tabroom. All changes and drops should be done online, in accordance with the stated deadlines.

Drops on Friday, 22 January 2021, the first day of the meet, may be made online until 11 am, without penalty. They may also be made by **calling or texting Londe Gagnon at 307-699-0537**. Please do not rely on email.

Event drops received after 11:00 am on Friday, 22 January will be assessed a late drop fee of \$10.00 each. First Round "no shows" will be considered late drops as well.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Registration will be held online from 1:30pm-3pm on Friday 22 January.
- All events will synchronous (live) with the exception of Duo which will be asynchronous
- **Please make sure all participants have signed and turned in the media release form. Copy found [here](#) .**
- Entries will be waitlisted until the media release form is turned in.

ENTRY FEES

Entry fees are \$10 for individual events and \$15 for partner events

To avoid event drop fees, please call Londe with your drops on Friday morning or record your drops online before that time.

AWARDS

Certificates will be awarded to 4th, 5th, and 6th place for each event. Awards will go to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

First and Second Place Sweepstakes awards will be awarded in 4A, 3A, and 1A/2A categories as determined by WHSAA.

All team entries count as a single entry towards sweepstakes.

Sweepstakes points will be awarded for semi and final round placements only

We look forward to seeing you at the tournament!

Sincerely,

The Star Valley High School Speech and Debate Team

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SCHEDULE - (Extemp Draw is embedded in the HOPEIC pattern)

Friday	
1:30pm-3pm	Registration All teams need to complete registration before 3pm
3:30 PM	Round 1 CX, LD and PF Debate
5:00 PM	Round 1 Humor, Oratory, Poetry, Info, Congress, Extemp
6:30 PM	Round 2 Debate, Round 1 Duet, Drama, POI
8:00 PM	Round 2 Humor, Oratory, Poetry, Info, Congress
Saturday	
8:00 AM	Round 3 Debate, Round 2 Duet, Drama, POI
9:30 AM	Round 3 Humor, Oratory, Poetry, Info, Congress, Extemp
11:00 AM	Round 4 Debate, Round 3 Duet, Drama
12:30 PM	Semifinals Humor, Oratory, Poetry, Info, Extemp / Super Congress Session 1
2:00 PM	Semifinals Debate, Duet, Drama
3:30 PM	Finals Humor, Oratory, Poetry, Info, Extemp / Super Congress Session 2
5:00 PM	Finals Debate, Duet, Drama, POI

7:00 PM	Awards
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