

Dear Coaches,

The Jackson Hole High School Speech & Debate Team invites you to our inaugural **Virtual Extemporaneous Debate Tournament** to be held on February 1-3 in conjunction with our main events tournament. 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. We will let in as many waitlisted entries as we can but the Extemp Debate tournament will have a maximum of 64 entries allowed. Priority will be given to Wyoming schools for entries.

Registration will take place at <http://jhsdebate.tabroom.com>

We will plan to use the Zoom model for our tournament.

EVENTS

Synchronous Extemporaneous Debate:

Mon- Wed Feb 1-3 , we will host the virtual Extemporaneous Debate tournament. This should be considered an extension of this main tournament - we will announce the final results for this at the awards ceremony on Saturday night.

General applicable debate State rules will apply unless otherwise indicated in this invitation.

Event Description - Extemporaneous Debate

A one-on-one format, Extemporaneous Debate consists of two students who will argue a specified topic with limited preparation time. Students are given a minimum of thirty minutes to prepare for each debate and are notified if they are for or against the provided resolution. This quick-moving debate takes roughly 20 minutes to complete. Students present arguments and engage in rebuttals, however, unlike other common debate events, students debate a number of topics, as opposed to a single topic for the entire tournament. Each round students are presented a unique resolution. They are given a minimum of thirty minutes to prepare for the round. The use of evidence is permitted, but not a focal point due to the limited time available to prepare a case for the round.

Debate Format:

We will be double-flighting the preliminary rounds of Debate along with the octofinals round. The quarterfinals, semifinals, and finals rounds will be single-flighted.

Pairings and topics will be released 30 minutes prior to the debate start time of the rounds. Topic Releases will be held in a group zoom room.

Rounds will be held in breakout rooms of Zoom.

First flight students will be released from the group zoom 30 minutes after topic release.

Second flight students will be released from the group zoom room 50 minutes after topic release.

Students are encouraged to collaborate with team members and friends during their prep.

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

Judging. Many judges will be Jackson 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 Londe Gagnon (lgagnon@tcsd.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 no later than Friday 1/29/21. 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

Initial registration numbers are due on **Tuesday 1/26/ 21**. Please get them in sooner rather than later!

Final registration entry adds are due on **Friday 1/29/ 21 at 5pm**.

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 Monday February 1, 2021, the first day of the meet, may be made online until 12 pm, 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 12:00 pm on Monday February 1, 2021 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 12:pm-2pm on Monday February 1
- **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 **\$8**

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

AWARDS

Medals will be awarded to Finalists & SemiFinalists

Ribbons will be awarded to QuarterFinalists

Sweepstakes points from this tournament will be awarded for semi and final round placements only. These will be applied before Saturday's awards ceremony.

We look forward to seeing you at the tournament!

Sincerely, The Jackson Hole High School Speech and Debate Team

TOURNAMENT CONTACT INFORMATION

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SCHEDULE -

Mon 2/1	Prelims 1 & 2
Topic Release	4:00 PM
Flight A	4:30 PM
Flight B	4:50 PM
Topic Release	6:00 PM
Flight A	6:30 PM
Flight B	6:50 PM

Tues 2/2	Prelims 3 & 4
Topic Release	4:00 PM
Flight A	4:30 PM
Flight B	4:50 PM
Topic Release	6:00 PM
Flight A	6:30 PM
Flight B	6:50 PM

Wed 2/3	Culminating Rounds
Octofinals	
Topic Release	3:00 PM
Flight A	3:30 PM
Flight B	3:50 PM
Quarter Finals	
Topic Release	5:00 PM
Flight A	5:30 PM

Semi Finals	
Topic Release	6:15 PM
Flight A	6:45 PM
Finals	
Topic Release	7:30 PM
Flight A	8:00 PM

Debate Time Limits:

Speech	Time Limit	Purpose
Proposition Constructive	2 minutes	The debater in favor of the resolution presents his or her case/position in support of the topic.
Cross Examination of Proposition	1 minute	The opposition debater asks the proposition questions.
Opposition Constructive	2 minutes	The debater against the resolution or the proposition's case presents his or her case/position.
Cross Examination of Opposition	1 minute	The proposition debater asks the opposition questions.
Mandatory Prep Time	1 minute	Both debaters have one minute to prepare their rebuttals.
Proposition Rebuttal	2 minutes	The proposition debater refutes the main idea of the opposition and supports their main ideas.

Opposition Rebuttal	2 minutes	The opposition debater refutes the main idea of the proposition and supports their main ideas.
Mandatory Prep Time	1 minute	Both debaters have one minute to prepare their rebuttals.
Proposition Rebuttal	2 minutes	In this final speech the proposition crystallizes the round for the judge and tries to establish sufficient reason for a vote in favor of the resolution.
Opposition Rebuttal	2 minutes	In this final speech the opposition crystallizes the round for the judge and tries to establish sufficient reason for a vote against the proposition's case and/or the resolution.
