



Willard Middle School



Speech & Debate Invitational

April 6-9, 2021

205 Miller Road
Willard, MO 65781

Coaches,

The Willard Middle School Speech and Debate Team would like to invite you to our 4th Annual Invitational Speech and Debate Tournament on April 6-9, 2021. This tournament will be judged **asynchronously** throughout the week, and all entries will be pre-recorded for judging through NSDA Campus and Tabroom. I will be sending information about this closer to the middle of March.

Events to be offered are:

Extemporaneous Speaking, Informative Speaking (with Visual Aids), Original Oratory, Humorous Interpretation, Dramatic Interpretation, Duo Interpretation, Prose Reading, Poetry Reading, Storytelling, and Radio Speaking.

Events will follow normal NSDA rules

Entries are due Friday, April 2. **Videos must be submitted by Monday, April 5 by 5pm.** All entries can be entered on Tabroom.com.

We will give medals to the top 6 finalists in each event. Sweeps plaques will be awarded to the top 3 schools.

We look forward to seeing you in March!

Thank you,

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Schedule:

TUESDAY, APRIL 6 - Round 1 judged

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7 - Round 2 judged

THURSDAY, APRIL 8 - Semifinals judged

FRIDAY, APRIL 9 - Finals judged and results sent out

*Results and scores will be announced after finals. You will be notified via email when this happen

Sweeps Points

Sweepstakes IE

Top 2 entries in each event

5 points breaking to finals

5 points for third

10 points for second

15 points for first

Top 3 teams overall will receive sweepstake plaques.

General Rules

1. A student may enter no more than three individual events. Only one of their entries may be a draw event.
2. Teams are required to have 1 judge available. Coaches can act as a judge.
3. Teams must be accompanied by an adult coach or sponsor.
4. High School students may be used as judges.
5. **Each event will be limited to 5 entries per school.**

Event Rules:

Extemporaneous Speaking (5 Mins.):

Students will draw 3 Questions on Current Events. Students will then have 15 minutes to prepare a speech answering the question. They may only use research brought with them for

prep. No internet research is allowed. An index card may be used. Draw topics will be sent out one week prior to the deadline for videos.

Original Oratory (6-10 mins.):

This speech is an original persuasive speech written by the student. No more than 100 quoted words. Must be memorized and no visual aids are allowed.

Dramatic Interpretation (6-10 mins.):

Must be taken from a published piece of literature. Must be memorized with no props or costumes.

Humorous Interpretation (6-10 mins.):

Must be taken from a published piece of literature. Must be memorized with no props or costumes.

Prose Reading (6-8 mins):

Material must be presented with a manuscript. Prose must be from a published novel or short story with less than 50% dialogue.

Poetry Reading (6-8 mins.):

Material must be presented with a manuscript. Poetry can be a single poem or a collection of poems.

Storytelling (6-8 mins.):

Students will perform a published children's story from a seated position. This can be a mix of the student's words and the author's. Introduction may be spoken while standing. Should be performed as if telling to small children.

Radio Speaking (5 mins.):

Students will present a 5 min. news break. Must contain International news, national news, local news, sports, and weather. Information must be taken from 24 hours prior to the tournament start date. No commercials or advertisements are to be used.

Duo Interpretation (6-10 Mins.):

Students should perform a scene taken from a published piece of literature. Performance should be memorized. No props or costumes are allowed.

Informative Speaking (6-10 mins.):

Students author and deliver a six-to-ten-minute speech on a topic of their choosing. Competitors create the speech to educate the audience on a particular topic. All topics must be informative in nature; the goal is to educate, not to advocate. Visual aids are permitted, but not required. The speech is delivered from memory.