

# 2021 REGION 5C FORENSICS TOURNAMENT

<b>Date</b>	<p><b>Saturday, February 20, 2020</b></p> <p>Snow date: If schools are officially cancelled due to inclement weather, or the tournament is unable to proceed due to electrical outages or technical outages, the make-up date will be Monday, February 22, beginning at 4:30 PM</p>
<b>Time</b>	<p>8:30 – 9:00 AM Registration check-in online 9:30 AM Judge instructions 10:00 AM First Round Begins</p> <p>A two round tournament format will be used.</p>
<b>Location</b>	<p>The 2021 VHSL Regional Tournament will be a Virtual Tournament hosted by Thomas Jefferson High School</p>
<b>Directors</b>	<p>Marie Bakke Rusty Hodges Stacey Kiggins</p>
<b>Events</b>	<p>Extemporaneous Speaking on Foreign and Domestic Affairs Original Oratory Storytelling Prose Interpretation Poetry Interpretation Serious Dramatic Interpretation Humorous Dramatic Interpretation Serious Duo Interpretation of Literature Humorous Duo Interpretation of Literature Impromptu Speaking</p> <p>All events will be held synchronously online.</p>
<b>Platform</b>	<p>The tournament will utilize TABROOM.COM for registration, judging, and pairing of rounds with students and judges. All coaches, competing students, and judges will need a free tabroom.com account.</p> <p>NSDA Campus will be used to provide competition rooms. Competitors/judges will have access through their Tabroom Account.</p>
<b>Participants</b>	<p>Each school may enter a maximum of 2 entries in each of the events with no more than a total of 17 entries. No double entries are allowed.</p>
<b>Rules</b>	<p>The competitors must comply with VHSL eligibility requirements. Event rules are defined and explained in the VHSL 2020-2021 Forensics Resource Guide available at <a href="http://www.VHSL.org/forensics">www.VHSL.org/forensics</a>. School should follow their school districts guidelines for COVID safety, as well as adhering to all CDC and Virginia Department of Health guidelines.</p>

<b>Judges</b>	<p><b>Each school must provide one judge for every three competitors.</b></p> <p>Neutral judges will be selected for each room; judges will not be assigned to rooms with students from their own school. Judges will be required to submit a W4 and VHSL Request for Payment Form to receive payment for judging. These forms will be posted on the tournament Tabroom.</p> <p>Judges should email their completed forms to: <a href="mailto:mabakke@fcps.edu">mabakke@fcps.edu</a></p> <p>If judges prefer to mail their forms, they may be mailed to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thomas Jefferson High School for Science &amp; Technology ATTN: B.R. Hodges, Director of Student Activities 6560 Braddock Road Alexandria, VA 22312</p>
<b>Speaking order</b>	Individual speaking order will be determined by the tournament director in accordance with VHSL rules
<b>Event winners</b>	<p>First, second, and third place winners in each forensics event will be awarded based on the lowest cumulative ranks. Ties will be broken based on highest cumulative speaker points. First, second, and third place speakers in each event will advance to the Super Regional Tournament.</p> <p>Awards will be sent to the Director of Student Activities at the school the student attends.</p>
<b>Team Champion</b>	The team with the greatest number of place points will be declared the Region Champion. First place is worth 5 points; second place is worth 3 points; third place is worth 1 point. If there is a tie, speaker points will be used to break the tie.
<b>Registration</b>	Entries must be entered into Tabroom.com no later <b>February 12, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.</b> Please submit your registration as soon as possible.
<b>Advancement to Super Regional Tournament</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The first level of competition is the REGIONAL level, which is all-in. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each region will have a tournament and the top three entries from each category will advance to the Super Region (C+D).</li> </ol> </li> <li>The second level of competition is the SUPER REGIONAL level. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each Super Region (C+D) will have a tournament and the three entries from each category will advance to state. There will be a fourth alternate per category from Super Region to state.</li> </ol> </li> <li>The final level of competition is the STATE level.</li> </ol>
<b>Replacement Policy</b>	A fourth and fifth alternate per category from the Region Tournament will be named as replacements to be called up to the <b>Super Regional Tournament</b> if needed. No replacements beyond these will be permitted. If a student decides NOT to participate in the Super Regional Tournament his or her coach must contact the Super-Region Tournament Director in a timely manner so that the replacement can be notified.