

HSL TOURNAMENT #8

- WHAT:** FEBRUARY STATE QUALIFYING DEBATE TOURNAMENT
- WHERE:** NSDA Campus
- WHEN:** Friday & Saturday, February 12-13, 2021
- ENTRY DEADLINE:** Wednesday, February 3, 2021
- PARTICIPATION:** Open to all HSL member schools that have paid their HSL membership dues and submitted their signed membership form.

EVENTS AND DEBATE

1. PUBLIC FORUM DEBATE (BEGINNING and ADVANCED): NSDA 2021 February PFD Topic – “Resolved: On balance, the benefits of urbanization in West Africa outweigh the harms.”
2. LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE (NOVICE and CHAMPIONSHIP): NSDA 2021 January/February LD Topic—“Resolved: States ought to ban lethal autonomous weapons.”
3. POLICY DEBATE (JUNIOR VARSITY and VARSITY): NSDA 2020-2021 Topic—“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.”

REGISTRATION

Registration must be processed using <https://www.tabroom.com>.

LIMITS

Each school may register a maximum of eighteen (18) entries (with each Policy Debate and Public Forum team counting as one entry). DOUBLE ENTRIES ARE NOT ALLOWED.

FEES

\$12.00 per participant. As a reminder, Public Forum Debate and Policy Debate entries must be paid according to number of participants, not number of entries.

PAYMENT

Payment is due before participation in the tournament.

Make check payable to: **HAWAI'I SPEECH LEAGUE**
Checks may be mailed to the Treasurer: Karen Miyakado
1051 Mokuhano Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

CASH PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!

JUDGES

Schools must provide one (1) judge for every Policy team, one (1) judge for every two (2) LD debaters, and one (1) judge for every two (2) Public Forum teams. Schools that do not provide the required number of judges may have entries withdrawn from the tournament. We are grateful for any additional judges you can provide. Please inform your judges to be in the judges' lounge 15 minutes before their first round.

Register judges on <https://www.tabroom.com>. Please direct all changes to your judge's panel and questions regarding judges to Rebecca Afalava, HSL Judges' Chairperson. You can e-mail him at <rebecca.afalava@gmail.com> or call her at **808-351-5902** (cell).

SCHEDULE Friday, February 12, 2021

3:00-4:00REGISTRATION – “Check-In” Online
3:45JUDGES’ CHECK-IN AND INSTRUCTIONS
4:30-6:30Round 1
7:00-9:00Round 2

Saturday, February 13, 2021

7:45JUDGES’ CHECK-IN
8:00-10:00.....Round 3
10:30-12:30Round 4
1:00-2:00Round 5
4:30-6:30FINAL ROUND

**Note.* This schedule is tentative and may change based on number of entries.

AWARDS

Certificates will be presented to all participants in the final round. Medals will be presented to all competitors who qualify for the State Forensic Championships. An overall trophy will be presented to the school with the largest number of sweepstakes points.

DROPS/NO-SHOWS

Please contact Carol Halbur immediately if there are changes to your entries. You can e-mail Carol at <chalbur@punahou.edu> or call her at **943-3651** (office) or **728-3672** (cell). All means will be used to reschedule the drops/no-shows prior to the start of the tournament. However, if rescheduling will result in extensive delays, the first round will commence with the no-shows included.

ONLINE DEBATE SPECIFIC INFO

- Debaters should establish an email chain with their opponents, and possibly the judges, with which to share evidence and cases. Debaters may want to use email addresses not associated with their school.
- During preliminary rounds, LD and policy debaters are pre-assigned an equal number of affirmative and negative rounds. Make sure you are debating the side you were assigned and that the judges’ ballot agrees. We have to manually go in to make the 5th round of LD be a flip round right before the 5th round starts.
- We will NOT be using the NSDA coin flip. Determine your own method to flip a digital coin.
- Second flight LD and PF debaters can wait 45 minutes before going to their room.
- If we have an odd number of competitors in a category, everyone in that category will debate 4 times and have a bye for one round. That bye will count as a win for every competitor until after the finalists have been chosen. I will try to eliminate those byes after the tournament so students don’t get NSDA points for a debate that never happened.
- We are still learning how to power match finalists so TabRoom chooses the correct final places. Please bear with us.