

Masking in Debate	All participants, judges, and timekeepers will be required to wear masks during the entirety of the debate.
Masking in Common Areas	In common areas, masks may be removed when eating or taking a drink but it should be put back in place when not actively eating or drinking.
Common Areas	<p>Schools will be assigned an area in the various common areas we have within our building. School sponsors are expected to be with their students in your assigned common area for the majority of the tournament to ensure students are following our COVID-19 Protocol and respecting your assigned space in our facility.</p> <p>To encourage social distance in common areas, schedules and debate breaks will be posted virtually. More details to come the week of the tournament.</p>
Hospitality	We are not allowed to offer our regular buffet style meals. We will provide one box lunch for coaches only. Hospitality is not open to any students. Coaches should take box lunches to TAB or their school's table.
Mask Guidelines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masks should have multiple layers of tightly woven fabric (either cloth or disposable). • Masks should block light when held up to a bright light source (exceptions are clear masks to allow for lip-reading so long as the other mask conditions are also met). • Masks should securely cover nose and mouth without slipping or gaps. • Do not wear masks with exhalation valves or vents. • Do not wear face shields without a mask under them.
Replacement Masks	Sponsors are responsible for ensuring competitors have appropriate masks before arriving on our campus. Any judge or competitor not adhering to our COVID-19 protocol or needing a replacement mask will be directed to our Judge Check-In Table.
Spectators/Visitors	No one will be allowed to spectate in any competition rooms who isn't assigned to be in the room by the tournament (competitors, judges, and possibly timekeepers). Please don't watch the other flight. We ask school sponsors to be diligent about keeping our occupancy low in your assigned common areas - if you have someone dropping off food or a parent picking up a competitor, they must follow our COVID-19 Protocol and should not stay longer than necessary.
Awards	Unfortunately, we will not hold a general awards ceremony. Awards will be handed out to coaches after tabbing is completed.

Schedule

<u>Saturday, November 6th</u>		1:30 PM	CX/PFD/LD Round 4
8:00 AM	Registration		
8:15 AM	Judges Training		
8:30 AM	CX/PFD/LD Round 1	3:00 PM	CX/PFD/LD Round 5
10:00 AM	CX/PFD/LD Round 2	4:30 PM	CX/PFD/LD Round 6
11:30 AM	CX/PFD/LD Round 3	6:30 PM	Approximate Time of
1:00 PM	Break		awards distribution

Tournament Rules

1. **Do not arrive before 7:30 am on Saturday. Please call or text drops to Maureen as soon as you know them on Saturday, (816) 304.6640**
2. **Entry fees will be a flat \$5 per entry**, in the event the tournament must be moved online entry fees will increase to \$8 per entry to cover the cost of digital rooms. Trophies will be provided either way.
3. Schools will be financially responsible for their entries after confirmation.
4. Each school must have an adult sponsor available for supervision and judging assignments each day of the tournament for each building at which the school is represented.
5. You are asked to provide one judge per four PFD/LD entries and one judge per two CX entries. We will make every effort to provide extra entries to schools that cannot cover this judging obligation.
6. Once an entry is canceled by a school and assigned to another school, the original school has lost its claim to the entry and it will not be returned.
7. A student may enter only one form of debate.
8. No “maverick” debaters or three person teams will be allowed in PFD or CX.
9. Awards will be given to coaches in the Tab room as soon as they are tabulated.
10. Tab will be open through tabroom.com throughout the tournament. All results will become permanent 10 minutes after the final tabulation of that round is complete.
11. As referenced in the Covid protocols, schools will be assigned an area in the Café or another large space. Students should stay in their assigned area when not competing.
12. The hospitality room is for adults only.
13. Campus regulations prohibit smoking inside and outside on school grounds.
14. MSHSAA rules of conduct will be enforced.

Events

LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE: **The topic will be the NSDA November/December topic.** We will use the traditional 6-3-7-3-4-6-3 time limits. Prep time will be 4 minutes per debater. A debater more than 10 minutes late to a round through no fault of the tournament may forfeit.

POLICY DEBATE: **The topic will be the 2020-21 MSHSAA/NSDA approved topic concerning water quality.** The format will follow the 8-3-5 time limits. Prep time will be 8 minutes per team. A team more than 10 minutes late to a round through no fault of the tournament will forfeit. **The NDCA case packet limitations will be enforced. According to Suburban conference standards, the K positions (including the wetlands AFF) are excluded.**

PUBLIC FORUM DEBATE: The topic will be the **NSDA November topic**. The format will follow the 4-4-3-4-4-3-3-3-3-2-2 time limits. Prep time will be 3 minutes per team. A team more than 10 minutes late to a round through no fault of the tournament will forfeit.

ENTRIES ARE SUBMITTED THROUGH [TABROOM.COM](https://www.tabroom.com)