

Atlee HS Tuesday Night Talk (TNT) 2021 October "Ghostbusters" Classic

(Updated: Oct. 5, 2021)

This is a "free" & "Live" shortened (two-round) practice tournament for the Richmond Metro Area and will focus on Novice & JV Middle & High School team members only, please!

Location:

Atlee High School
9414 Atlee Station Road
Mechanicsville, VA 23116

Date: Tuesday, October 19th, 2021

Time: 5PM-8PM (please arrive before 5PM & check-in in the library!)

Contacts:

Speech & Debate Tournament Director:
Brian Carr, bcarr@hcps.us

Tournament Debate Topics Offered:

Lincoln-Douglas (LD) *** Only two rounds***
2021 September/October Topic Area: Economics
"Resolved: The member nations of the World Trade Organization ought to reduce intellectual property protections for medicines."

Public Forum (PF) *** Only two rounds***
2021 September/October Topic Area: Europe
Resolved: The North Atlantic Treaty Organization should substantially increase its defense commitments to the Baltic states."

Student Congress (SC)

We will split one session into two parts, each lasting 45-minutes with a break in-between. We will be focusing on only two topics to maximize participation in such a short time: See SC Deadlines below for further submission information

Session 1, Domestic: Mandatory COVID Vaccinations

Session 2, Virginia: Voting Integrity

Tournament Forensics (Speech) Offered:

Space is limited, please check Tabroom.com for details!

Room A: Extemporaneous*, Impromptu Speaking, & Original Oratory;

Room B: OSW, Poetry, Prose, & Storytelling;

Room C: Dramatic & Humorous Interpretation, & Duo Performance;

Room D: Duo/Team Improv. (Check with your school's theater group!)

* Extemporaneous speakers will be draw one fixed topic prior to each round, allowed to independently research it for 30-minutes, and then present their speech in seven-minute intervals.

As this is practice, students do **not** need to have pieces memorized!



Deadlines

Sunday, October 17th:

Registration Deadline @ 10PM (We simply **cannot** accept entries after this date & time!)

How to Make Your Entries:

- If you do not have a tabroom account go to <http://www.tabroom.com/>, click on the SIGN-UP link in the upper-right of the webpage. This takes you to the CREATE YOUR TABROOM ACCOUNT page. Complete the form.
- See http://docs.tabroom.com/Sign_Up for detailed instructions.
- When you have finished setting up your team account, please add your competitors and judges to it.
- Enter your student's (speech and debate) information & judges for the tournament at http://ahs_tnt.tabroom.com .

Sunday, October 17th @ 10:00pm:

Student Congress Bill/Resolution Deadline. (Warning: You must have a google account to access this site!) Coaches, please upload your legislation to: <https://forms.gle/QW3JaaYnS37XieRT8>

Student Congress Bill/Resolution Viewing: To View uploaded legislation online: (Copy & Paste the link below) <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B-7d3yM6DMF6fjA2YlhaSDZvNVk4enVHMjZMTIQ0aHZHMFdZWWhHQm9vZ3JQOXBnWnpuenc?usp=sharing>

Each registered Student Congress participant may submit either one bill or one resolution for each of the Student Congress categories listed for consideration by the committees at the start of the Congress.

Schedule of Events:

Tuesday, October 19th

4:30PM-5:00PM: Teams should report to the library and coaches should check-in room 206 (Atlee students volunteers will be posted at each entrance of the school to point you in the direction of the commons/cafeteria)

Please coordinate your team's dismissal from school to assure prompt arrival!

Extemp. will start drawing questions at 5:00 PM so that speeches can start at 5:30 PM.

5:00 PM: Coaches' & Judges' Meeting (Location: Room 206) Bring pizza & soda order money to this meeting! \$2 per student should work fine; let me know the # plain or # pepperoni slices, this will be a big help!

5:00PM: Congress Session (committees, docket & PO sections) & continuous thereafter until dinner recess c. 6:15 PM, where we'll switch out the judges & continue c. 6:30 PM through 7:30 PM.

5:30PM: Round 1 PF, LD, Forensics events / 6:30PM: Round 2 PF, LD, Forensics events

Quick Tabulations and Distribution of ballots will occur as soon as the last round is complete. Our aim is to have everyone headed home no later than 8:00pm with great feedback in their hands and great experience in their hearts!

Judging Requirements: (No experience necessary—everyone gets great practice!)

Lincoln-Douglas

1 judge per 1-3 entries; please bring extra people!

Public Forum

1 judge per 1-3 entries; please bring extra people!

Student Congress/Forensics

1 judge per 1-5 entries; please bring extra people!

Judges' Training Videos: <https://www.speechanddebate.org/judge-training/>

(Scroll further down the webpage, please have your judges watch ahead of time... great review for all!)



Bring a "Smart" Stopwatch

Dinner:

During the coaches' meeting, we will take orders for pizza for any interested students. Please have your orders and money ready. Individual plain pizza & a drink will be \$2. Students will served and have to eat I the library café @ c. 6:15 PM. Coaches and judges will have individual snacks provided. As we have done in the past, if you can bring some individual food or drink to share with the other judges and coaches that would be great!

Awards:

No awards at this tournament; only the priceless feedback from our illustrious judges and happy camaraderie from your student's contenders!

Rules & Sportsmanship:

We will strive to follow the VHSL rules and sportsmanship creed. Please make sure your students are aware of these rules and policies! Please stress the importance of sportsmanship with your kids!

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 - Please contact Brian "Rockstar" Carr (don't forget the "r") if you have any questions, comments or concerns: brcarr@hcps.us

* Please remember that we are following recommended CDC guidelines and wanted to remind all competitors, judges, and guest that masks and other personal protective equipment must be used in our facility at all times regardless of your vaccination status. It is also recommended to keep a minimum three feet social distance and we will do our best to contact trace throughout the tournament to help ensure both a safe and comfortable environment for everyone.