The All Inclusive Spring Invitational

Dear Forensics Friends,

Words cannot express how excited I am to cordially invite you to what will be this year's
LARGEST asynchronous Forensics tournament of all time! As The Forensics Guy, I have committed myself entirely to this activity and I won't quit until Speech and Debate is the most accessible, inclusive, equitable and diverse activity EVER! Join me the week of February 19, 2023, I have so much in store! *5% of the proceeds from this tournament and Merch sales will be donated to The American Council of the Blind (ACB)

Why This Tournament?

As a student, I always saw Speech and Debate through Rose-Colored Glasses. I was oblivious to inequities present in this activity from the humongous disparities between the privileged and marginalized communities to the small things we miss through daily interactions. I want to create a tournament where every student feels as if they have an equal competitive chance. I believe the best way to do that is by addressing the 4 pillows in my mission. (You'd only get the pillow reference if you listened to <u>my episode</u>) Note: Nothing is perfect and perfection is something to be strived for daily. Every year I hope to add new pillow points.

Pillow Points

Accessibility

- -Students from anywhere in the world can submit a video to be judged asynchronously.
- -Committed to Speech and Debate access for all therefore all Urban Debate League programs will receive a 50% reduction in both school and student entry fees. *Other programs that may need financial assistance, please email Dontae@theforensicsguy.com.

Inclusion

-Various virtual events will be hosted throughout the duration of the tournament. (Including Radio Announcing, which we have dubbed the MOST inclusive Speech and Debate event EVER!) Also everyone is invited, ya can't get more inclusive than that!

-This asynchronous opportunity is especially for students that struggle with performance or other manifested variations of anxiety, as an individual that struggles with the same, I implore you to participate in this tournament and am committed to providing any resources you may

need.

Equity

-It is recognized that there tend to be small variants in rules between various regions, states and

circuits, Judges are aware and will judge equitably.

-Anyone, regardless of disability, is allowed to judge.

Diversity

-Judges are asked to recognize the cultural diversity within a student's professional attire as well

as not penalize students for what they may not consider, "Tournament Attire".

-Our goal is to create a judging pool that mirrors our competitors in every demographic.

Students DESERVE to have representation in the adults adjudicating them!

Tournament Details

Participation

Multiple Entries: Students may participate in as many events as they would like. We hope

they'll find fun in new events!

Judging: Each judge covers up to 5 entries. Judges must have a Tabroom account.

Everyone's Invited: Elementary (5th grade and below.) middle (6th-8th grade.) and high

school (9th-12th grade.) events offered.

Date(s): February 23-25, 2023.

Location: Tabroom, via submitted recorded video performance.

Registration Deadline: February 21, 2023

Financial

School Fee: \$20

Student Entry Fee (Per Event): \$15

Hired Judge Fee: \$200

Dropped Student Fee: \$10 (After February 21, 2023)

Dropped Judge Fee: \$250 (After February 21, 2023)

Fines: Judges that do not report to assigned round will be fined \$100

Payment: Please send checks or money order to: (If paying digitally, please email

Dontae@theforensicsguy.com.)

Forensics Forever

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Tentative Schedule (PST Time Zone)

Registration Closes	Tuesday, February 21, 2023 9pm	
Video Submission Deadline	Wednesday, February 22, 2023 6pm	
Preliminary Rounds	Thursday, February 23, 2023	
Out Rounds	Friday, February 24, 2023	
Final Rounds	Saturday, February 25, 2023	
Awards	Saturday Eve, February 25, 2023	

Event Details

Below is a table of all events that will be offered. Each event will observe the rules set by the National Speech and Debate Association (NSDA) except Radio Announcing in which we will observe the rules set by the Wisconsin Forensic Coaches Association (WFCA). The link to the handbooks are listed below:

WFCA (Radio Announcing is on page 51 / All grade levels will observe these rules.)

NSDA

Elementary School	Middle School	High School
Radio Announcing	Radio Announcing	Radio Announcing
Poetry Interpretation	Poetry Interpretation	Poetry Interpretation
Prose Interpretation	Prose Interpretation	Prose Interpretation
Declamation	Declamation	Declamation
Dramatic Interpretation	Dramatic Interpretation	Dramatic Interpretation
Duo Interpretation	Duo Interpretation	Duo Interpretation
Humorous Interpretation	Extemporaneous Speaking	Extemporaneous Speaking
Impromptu Speaking	Humorous Interpretation	Humorous Interpretation
Original Oratory (Persuasive)	Impromptu Speaking	Impromptu Speaking
Storytelling	Original Oratory	Original Oratory
Informative Speaking	Storytelling	Storytelling
	Informative Speaking	Informative Speaking
	Program Oral Interpretation	Program Oral Interpretation

Special Rules

Impromptu: Students should record the entire time from preparation until the end of the speech. (All prompts/packets can be found <u>here</u>.)

Extemporaneous: Students will prepare using an honor system and record the speech portion. (All prompts/packets can be found here.)

Radio Announcing: Students will prepare using an honor system and record the speech portion. (All prompts/packets can be found here.)

Duo Interpretation: Students May either perform in the same room or screen record themselves using Zoom, Google Meet etc.

Poetry/Prose/Storytelling: Max time limit is 10 minutes with a 30 second grace period.

All other queries should be directed to Dontae Hill at (414)530-3949 (Feel free to text or call) or Email Dontae@theforensicsguy.com

