



PLD 2022 BLYTON BULLDOG WINTER DEBATE TOURNAMENT

Dear Forensics Family:

You are cordially invited to the Paul Laurence Dunbar Blyton Bulldog Winter Novice Debate Tournament! We look forward to having you join us ONLINE synchronously on Saturday DECEMBER 17 for debate competition.

Platform

Debate events will be held synchronously online on DECEMBER 22 using NSDA Campus for competition. All competitors and judges will need to have registered Tabroom.com, NSDA accounts, and have technology available to effectively compete in or judge rounds. Competitors AND judges must have access to a camera and microphone in order to participate in the tournament.

Events

We will be offering all KHSSL NOVICE debate events and Congress (NLD, NPF). Novice competitors are those in their first year of debate. All events will follow the competition rules established by the Kentucky High School Speech League. More information about competition guidelines can be found in the [Kentucky High School Speech League handbook](#) and at [the official KHSSL website](#). Also, please take time to review the [KHSSL ratings guidelines](#) as you prepare both your students and judges for competition.

Entries & Deadlines

Teams may enter students in one debate event. Entries are due **Tuesday December 13 @8:00pm EST**. Adds will be allowed based on space left in rounds and judging quota. Substitutions are free.

Schools may submit 1-3 bills utilizing the NSDA format/template for consideration. Bills must be sent to neomia.hagans@uky.edu by Saturday December 10 @ 8:00pm EST. PLD will be allowing its students to participate in competition as judging and space allows. PLD students will not be eligible to earn sweepstakes points or earn team awards.

JUDGES ENTRY

Debate events must provide 1 judge for every 2 entries or fraction thereof. **Schools must provide at least 1 judge in debate events if their students are competing.** In the event you cannot provide the required number of judges, you may hire up to 2 judges for \$30 each.

All judges should be familiar with KHSSL rules and ballots, and are expected to be in the judge pool during rounds where they are not explicitly scheduled. **ALL JUDGES MUST HAVE A TABROOM.COM ACCOUNT IN ORDER TO BE PLACED ON YOUR JUDGING ROSTER.** Although we will plan to keep judges in their primary pool (debate, or congress), all judges will be considered for all debate events and should be prepared for competition accordingly. All judges are asked to be present at the judge roll call Saturday morning.

Cost

School fee = \$10

Single entries = \$6

Double entries = \$12 (PF)

Entry drops/adds after deadline = \$15

Unfulfilled judge burden = \$30 per judge

Judge drops = \$50
Judge no-show = \$30 per round

AWARDS

We will be presenting medals for the top four entries in all debate events. Plaques will be awarded to the top 3 schools. Awards will be mailed to schools upon completion of the tournament and collection of fees.

SCHEDULE

(Please note that this schedule is tentative and may change based upon entries.)

December 10 @ 8:00pm EST	Congress Legislation due
December 13 @ 8:00pm EST	Entries Due
December 17	8:00am EST- Debate Registration/Check In
	8:30am EST - Debate Opening Meeting and Roll Call (All Judges should be present)
	9:00am EST - Rd 1 Debate
	9:30am EST- RD 1 Congress
	10:30am EST - Rd 2 Debate
	11:30am EST -Break
	12:30pm EST- Congress Rd 2 and Debate Rd 3
	2:30pm EST- Semifinals Debate
	3:00pm EST - Congress Finals
	4:00pm EST- Finals Debate
	6:30pm EST- Awards

All ALL TEAMS ARE TO REGISTER ONLINE AT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE: http://pld_debate.tabroom.com

Payment

Invoices will be available on tabroom.com shortly after the close of the invitational.

Make Check payable to : PLD Speech and Debate

Mail to: ATTN: Neomia Hagans Flores
 PLD Speech & Debate
 1600 Man O War BLVD
 Lexington, KY 40513

We look forward to being together with you and your students soon!

Neomia Hagans Flores & Connie Hagans