

2023 Rosa Parks Invitational

The 1st Annual Rosa Parks Invitational Saturday, February 4 - Sunday, February 5

Welcome!

Dear Debaters,

We are proud to host the first ever Rosa Parks Invitational in memory of her birthday on February 4, 1913, in Tuskegee, Alabama. Our aim is to provide a low-cost, accessible tournament on a weekend with few other online opportunities.

The entry fee is low at only \$5 for novice divisions and \$10 for varsity. The fee will allow us to both provide a **cash prize** to winning Varsity entries, a **charitable donation** to social justice causes, and pay tournament fees. If you cannot afford the entry fee, reach out to tournament staff and the fee can be waived.

Anyone is allowed to enter, including independent entries or cross-school entries, and debaters from middle school. If you are not affiliated with a school and do not know how to create a school, email tournament staff for assistance.

Sincerely,

Daniel Garepis-Holland

Tournament Director

Events Offered

Debate

Lincoln Douglas – Open (LD) and Novice (NLD) Divisions

Public Forum (PF) - Open (PF) and Novice (NPF) Divisions

Policy Debate (CX)

Congressional Debate (CON)

Speech

Dramatic Interp (DI)

Humorous Interp (HI)

Impromptu (IMP)

Informative (INFO)

International Extemp (IX)

National Extemp (NX)

Oratorical Interp (OI)

Original Oratory (OO)

Original Prose & Poetry (OPP)

Program Oral Interp (POI)

More information about the various Speech & Debate events can be found on the NSDA's website here. All events will follow the NSDA's High School Unified Manual here.

Schedule

Note: Schedule is likely to change based on entries and judge availability.

Our aim is to have the tournament be single-flighted, though this is subject to change.

Time Zone: PST (EST)

Saturday 2/4

7:45am (10:15am) R1 Pairings Released

8:00am (11:00am) R1 Begins

10:00am (1:00pm) R2 Pairings Released

10:15am (1:15pm) R2 Begins

11:45pm (3:00pm) Lunch Break

12:15pm (3:15pm) R3 Pairings Released 12:30pm (3:30pm) R3 Begins

2:30pm (5:30pm) R4 Pairings Released

2:45pm (5:45pm) R4 Begins

4:45pm (7:45pm) R5 Pairings Released

5:00pm (8:00pm) R5 Begins

7:00pm (10:00pm) Breaks Announced

Sunday 2/5

Elimination Rounds (TBA based on entries)

Entry Fees

\$5 for Novices and \$10 for Varsity

Where do your fees go?

\$3 - Donated to NAACP, Equal Justice Initiative, and the ACLU to continue the fight for civil rights and equality for all.

\$3 - Prize money (*Open divisions only*)

\$2 - Tabroom fees (*First 50 free entries go to novices*)

\$2 - Staff stipends & hired judge fees to improve quality of judging pool

If you are not able to pay these fees, reach out to tournament staff for a waiver!

Judge Obligations

1 judge owed for every 2 entries in Lincoln Douglas, Public Forum, or Policy Debate 1 judge owed for every 5 entries in all Speech events and Congressional Debate