

2024 Cavalier Survivor Challenge Information Packet









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January 5, 2024

#### Dear Coaches & Competitors:

The Durham Academy Speech & Debate team cordially welcomes you to the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Cavalier Survivor Challenge. In the spring of 2018, a conversation began about the creation of a round robin with a unique format. The product of that conversation was the inaugural Cavalier Survivor Challenge in 2019.

The Cavalier Survivor Challenge is a fantastic opportunity for some of the best debaters in the nation to compete against each other in this new format.

In 2020, we expanded the Cavalier Survivor Challenge to include Lincoln-Douglas debate.

In 2021, the Survivor Challenge saw its second expansion with the addition of Challenges in both Extemporaneous Speaking and Congressional Debate. We are thrilled to welcome those portions of the Round Robin back after taking a two-year hiatus.

Finally, we are excited to announce a cash prize, sponsored by the Institute for Speech & Debate, for our Champions and Runners-Up. Each champion will be awarded a cash prize of \$200. We will recognize our runner-up debaters with a cash prize of \$100.

In honor of our continued tradition at Durham Academy, our Champions will receive our replica cavalry saber.

Please read this packet carefully in that it contains new and important information that will affect all of those attending the Survivor Challenge. A common theme of this invitation, based on the language and implicit assumptions therein, is that you are a guest of Durham Academy and its coaching staff and, by attending the event, you are agreeing to adhere to our guidelines as a condition of participation in the Cavalier Survivor Challenge

We look forward to welcoming you to our campus!

Crawford Leavoy Director of Speech & Debate Durham Academy Rachel Mauchline Assistant Director of Speech & Debate Durham Academy

# 2024 Cavalier Challenge Tournament Personnel

Challenge Directors	
Student Directors Alex Huang ('24), Oliver Guan ('25), Soren Hecimovich ('25)	
Teams in Attendance	
CaliforniaAumrita Savdharia & Stavan Shah, Fairmont Prep  Coached by Gabe Rusk	
New JerseyEzekiel Ehrenberg & Alex Calder, Delbarton School  Coached by Noah Mengisteab, Zach Dyar & Brooke Blanton	
North Carolina	
Nichols Willett & Richard Shan, Charlotte Latin School Coached by Bilal Butt, Megan Butt, Teddy Wallen ('23)	
Caleb Chen & Jack Vail, Durham Academy Coached by Crawford Leavoy, Rachel Mauchline, Elliot Beamer, Anisha Musti & Raiyan Choudhury	
Ben Hodges & William Brown, Durham Academy Coached by Crawford Leavoy, Rachel Mauchline, Elliot Beamer, Anisha Musti & Raiyan Choudhury	
Fitch Reich & Emerson Cortazar, Myers Park HS Coached by Lynne Coyne, Tom Hamilton & Zac Grant	
TaiwanStella Wu & Brendon Chen, Taipei American School Coached by Micah Cook, Jonathan Chen, Katheryne Dwyer & Veer Prakash ('23), Chase Williams & Lawrenze Zhou	
TexasLuis Miguel Carvajal Picott & Khoa Nguyen Le, Seven Lakes HS  Coached by Bryce Piotrowski & Calen Cabler	

Bailey Koh & Ayan Bakshi, Southlake Carroll HS Coached by Anthony Brown & Cecilia Granda-Scott



# <u>Cavalier Survivor Challenge – Lincoln-Douglas Schedule</u>

## Monday, January 15th, 2024

8:30 AM	Pairings Released for Rounds One & Two
9:00 AM	Round 1 – Single-Flighted - Random Pairing
10:30 AM	Round 2 – Single-Flighted - Random Pairing
12:00 PM	Elimination of 9th & 10th Place Finishers
12:30 PM	Round 3 – Single-Flighted – Challenge Pairing
2:00 PM	Elimination of the 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Place Finishers
2:30 PM	Round 4 – Single-Flighted – Challenge Pairing
4:00 PM	Elimination of the 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Place Finishers
4:30 PM	Round 5 – Single-Flighted – Challenge Pairing
4:00 PM	Elimination of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Finishers
4:30 PM	Round 5 – Single-Flighted – Challenge Pairing

## 2024 Cavalier Survivor Challenge - Lincoln-Douglas

## **2024** Cavalier Challenge Tournament Personnel

Challenge Directors	
Student Directors Alex Huang ('24), Oliver Guan ('25), Soren Hecimovich ('25)	
Teams in Attendance	
Louisiana	
Jackson Dirks, Isidore Newman School Coached by Christopher Vincent, Bennett Dombcik ('20) & Harun Vemulapalli	
New York	
North Carolina	
Riley Ro, Cary Academy Coached by RJ Pelliciotta, Brett Fortier, Willie Warren & Caleb Horowitz	
Priya Aggarwal, Durham Academy Coached by Crawford Leavoy, Rachel Mauchline, Jacob Palmer ('20) & Jessie Pein	
Sachin Aggarwal, Durham Academy Coached by Crawford Leavoy, Rachel Mauchline, Jacob Palmer ('20) & Jessie Pein	

Phillip Dai, William G Enloe HS

Coached by Callie Beck



# <u>Cavalier Survivor Challenge – Lincoln Douglas Schedule</u>

## Monday, January 15th, 2024

8:30 AM	Pairings Released for Rounds One & Two
9:00 AM	Round 1 – Single-Flighted - Random Pairing
10:30 AM	Round 2 – Single-Flighted - Random Pairing
12:00 PM	Elimination of 9th & 10th Place Finishers
12:30 PM	Round 3 – Single-Flighted – Challenge Pairing
2:00 PM	Elimination of the 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Place Finishers
2:30 PM	Round 4 – Single-Flighted – Challenge Pairing
4:00 PM	Elimination of the 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Place Finishers
4:30 PM	Round 5 – Single-Flighted – Challenge Pairing
4:00 PM	Elimination of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Finishers
4:30 PM	Round 5 – Single-Flighted – Challenge Pairing



## 2024 Cavalier Survivor Challenge – Extemporaneous Speaking

#### **2024** Cavalier Challenge Tournament Personnel

Challenge Directors	
Student Directors Alex Huang ('24), Oliver Guan ('25), Soren Hecimovich ('25)	
Teams in Attendance	
FloridaSkyler Burrus, American Heritage School – Palm Beach  Coached by Bo Lint & PJ Samorian	
North Carolina	
Shriya Dharmapurikar, Durham Academy Coached by Rachel Mauchline, Crawford Leavoy & Jordan Phillips	
Connor Ennis, Durham Academy Coached by Rachel Mauchline, Crawford Leavoy & Jordan Phillips	
Ohio	
Chloe Leng, Hawken School Coached by Bob Shurtz, Susan McGraw & David Childree	
Texas	
Virginia	



## <u>Cavalier Survivor Challenge – Extemporaneous Speaking Schedule</u>

# Monday, January 15th, 2024

8:45 AM	Pairings Released for Round One
9:30 AM	Round 1 – Preset Pairing (Draw at 9:00AM)
10:45 AM	Pairing of the Second Round
11:45 AM	Round 2 – Challenge Pairing (Draw at 11:15AM)
1:20 PM	Round 3 – Speed Pairing (Draw at 1:00PM)
2:30 PM	Elimination of the 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Place Finishers
3:15 PM	Round 4 – Challenge Pairing (Draw at 2:45PM)
4:35 PM	Round 5 – Speed Pairing (Draw at 4:15PM)
5:00 PM	Elimination of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Place Finishers
5:45 PM	Round 6 – Challenge Pairing (Draw at 5:15PM)
6:15 PM	Awards



# 2024 Cavalier Survivor Challenge – Congressional Debate

## **2024** Cavalier Challenge Tournament Personnel

Challenge Directors
Student Directors Alex Huang ('24), Oliver Guan ('25), Soren Hecimovich ('25)
Teams in Attendance
ArizonaRia Mehta, Phoenix Country Day  Coached by Brittany Stanchik
Sebastian Saenz, Phoneix Country Day  Coached by Brittany Stanchik
Arkansas
FloridaJordan Melamed, American Heritage School – Palm Beach  Coached by PJ Samorian & Bo Lint
FloridaBreck DuPaul, Hawken School  Coached by Bob Shurtz, Susan McGraw & David Childree
New YorkOceana Zhu, The Bronx HS School of Science  Coached by Tim Huth
North CarolinaLulu Burnside, Durham Academy  Coached by Rachel Mauchline & Crawford Leavoy
Texas
Rohan Kathuria, Seven Lakes HS Coached by Bryce Piotrowski & Calen Cabler
VirginiaEthan Maher, The Potomac School  Coached by Harry Strong & Tayland Ratliff

## <u>Cavalier Survivor Challenge – Congressional Debate Schedule</u>

# Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

8:30 AM	Round Posted
9:00 AM	Morning Hour – Preset Pairing – 10 Legislators
10:30 AM	Morning Recess
11:00 AM	Preliminary Session – Preset Pairing – 10 Legislators
12:30 PM	Lunch Recess
1:30 PM	Round of 10 – Elimination Pairing – 2 Debates
2:30 PM	Elimination of the Octafinalists
2:45 PM	Round of 8 – Elimination Pairing – 4 Debates
4:00 PM	Elimination of the Quarterfinalists
4:15 PM	Round of 4 – Elimination Pairing – 2 Debates
5:15 PM	Elimination of the Semifinalists
5:30 PM	Round of 2 – Elimination Pairing – 1 Debate
6:00 PM	Awards



#### **Public Forum Survivor Challenge Guidelines**

- 1. Public Forum debate will use the 4-4-3-4-4-3-3-3-2-2 format. A three minutes of preparation time per team will be enforced in Public Forum.
- 2. Debaters in Public Forum debate will use the NSDA January topic. Procedures for the debate will follow NSDA guidelines: Prior to the round, Tabroom.com will automatically decide the winner of the coin flip. The team that wins the flip has 5 minutes to choose one of two options: EITHER the side of the topic they wish to defend OR the speaking position they wish to have (begin the debate or end the debate). Once the coin toss winners select their favored option, the other team has 5 minutes to make a choice with the remaining option.
- 3. Meals will be provided Monday for free as part of the Survivor Challenge. The schedule does not permit time to leave the building. Please do not bring food from outside into the building. Please eat only in the Learning Commons. Food should not be taken into the classrooms (this includes judges.) Please use trashcans provided in each classroom and in all hallways. Do not leave trash on the floors or on the tables in the Lounge area.
- 4. All Durham Academy campuses are non-smoking campuses. **Smoking or vaping is not allowed anywhere on school property.** If you wish to smoke or vape, you must walk across the street to a location that is not on school grounds. Security will enforce this rule.
- 5. Security personnel and members of the Durham Academy staff and faculty are in the building for your safety and to provide information. Feel free to contact them if you have a problem. Please treat them with respect. Please not remove or move any furniture or equipment from any of the rooms.
- 6. All rounds are open to authorized guests of the tournament. Guests may flow debates.
- 7. PF judges may judge a minimum of four rounds, regardless of how many entries you may have. Judges are required to serve one round after their last team has been eliminated. Failure to comply with this will result in additional judge fines and denial of future entry in the Cavalier Invitational. Hired judges are expected to stay until released by the Tournament Director.
- 8. All debate ballots will be available online through Tabroom.com. Judges not scheduled for a particular round should wait in the Learning Commons. Please do not leave or wander the building. Not being initially scheduled does not translate into having no obligation for that particular round. Missing a stand-by assignment carries the same penalty as missing a published assignment.
- 9. Do not forget to give points to each debater in the round. You must give a decision in each round on your ballot. All debates must have one winner and one loser. Please check "low point win" if higher points are given to a losing team. Do not give points lower than 20 in any debate. The tab room will raise points to 20 if you forget. Tenth points for speaker points are allowed.
- 10. For Public Forum, use of laptop computers, tablet computers, smart phones and other electronic devices able to access the internet are permitted during events. The use of computers during debates is permitted for both flowing and research purposes including retrieval of evidence stored on hard drives and accessing resources via the internet. Students should not attempt to use electronic devices to initiate or respond to contact with outside parties during a debate. The penalty for violation of this rule is loss of the debate in question and zero speaker points assigned to the offending debater. This rule recommends, but does not require, that all text messaging devices and cell phones be turned off during debates. It is meant to restrict the debaters from initiating or responding to any outside contact during a debate round. Example: A student's cell phone ringing during a debate would not violate the rule. A student calling, emailing, chatting text messaging or responding to any contact from their coach during a debate would violate this rule.



#### Public Forum Survivor Challenge Format & Pairing Information

- 1. The Survivor Challenge begins with 10 Public Forum teams.
- 2. Each team is guaranteed two rounds. The first two preliminary rounds will be randomly paired, and will have two judges in each debate. Each team will have a chance to win four ballots.
- 3. At the conclusion of Round Two, the bottom two teams will be eliminated. Teams will be seeded occurring to ballots won/lost, speaker points (dropping high/low), and then by total points. Remaining ties will be broken randomly.
- 4. The beginning of Round Three will be paired as follows:
  - a. Debaters with grouped according to ballots. Beginning with the group with the most ballots, a team will be selected at random. That team will have the right to challenge any of the remaining teams. Teams are permitted to debate a second time. "Repeat" debates begin with a coin flip as usual they are never side locked.
  - b. Once the group with the most ballots has all been paired, the next group (second most ballots) will be selected at random. That team will have the right to challenge any of the remaining teams.
  - c. This procedure will continue until all teams are paired.
  - d. Judges will be assigned at random, adjusting for school constraints.
- 5. At the conclusion of Round Three, the bottom two teams based on total cumulative ballot count will be eliminated.
- 6. The challenge-based pairing of remaining teams, and subsequent elimination of two teams will continue until only two teams remain.
- 7. When two teams remain, the Final Round will be paired. An even number of adult judges will be assigned (likely 4). One ballot will be determined by the majority vote of student participants watching the Final Round.
- 8. Due to the nature of the Survivor Challenge, we request that no judge disclose a decision in a round. Brief post-round comments are permitted.
- The Survivor Challenge will utilize the protest procedures outlined in the Cavalier Invitational Invitation & Information Packet



#### **Lincoln-Douglas Survivor Challenge Guidelines**

- 1. Lincoln-Douglas debate will use the 6-3-7-3-4-6-3 format. A four minutes of preparation time per debater will be enforced in Lincoln-Douglas.
- 2. Debaters in Lincoln-Douglas debate will use the NSDA January/February topic. Procedures for the debate will follow NSDA guidelines. Prior to the round, Tabroom.com will automatically decide the winner of the coin flip. The team that wins the flip has 5 minutes to choose the side of the topic they wish to defend.
- 3. Meals will be provided Monday for free as part of the Survivor Challenge. The schedule does not permit time to leave the building. Please do not bring food from outside into the building. Please eat only in the Learning Commons. Food should not be taken into the classrooms (this includes judges.) Please use trashcans provided in each classroom and in all hallways. Do not leave trash on the floors or on the tables in the Lounge area.
- 4. All Durham Academy campuses are non-smoking campuses. Smoking or vaping is not allowed anywhere on school property. If you wish to smoke or vape, you must walk across the street to a location that is not on school grounds. Security will enforce this rule.
- 5. Security personnel and members of the Durham Academy staff and faculty are in the building for your safety and to provide information. Feel free to contact them if you have a problem. Please treat them with respect. Please not remove or move any furniture or equipment from any of the rooms.
- 6. All rounds are open to authorized guests of the tournament. Guests may flow debates.
- 7. LD judges may judge a minimum of four rounds, regardless of how many entries you may have. Judges are required to serve one round after their last team has been eliminated. Failure to comply with this will result in additional judge fines and denial of future entry in the Cavalier Invitational. Hired judges are expected to stay until released by the Tournament Director.
- 8. All debate ballots will be available online through Tabroom.com. Judges not scheduled for a particular round should wait in the Learning Commons. Please do not leave or wander the building. Not being initially scheduled does not translate into having no obligation for that particular round. Missing a stand-by assignment carries the same penalty as missing a published assignment.
- 9. Do not forget to give points to each debater in the round. You must give a decision in each round on your ballot. All debates must have one winner and one loser. Please check "low point win" if higher points are given to a losing team. Do not give points lower than 20 in any debate. The tab room will raise points to 20 if you forget. Tenth points for speaker points are allowed.
- 10. For Lincoln-Douglas, use of laptop computers, tablet computers, smartphones and other electronic devices able to access the internet are permitted during events. The use of computers during debates is permitted for both flowing and research purposes including retrieval of evidence stored on hard drives and accessing resources via the internet. Students should not attempt to use electronic devices to initiate or respond to contact with outside parties during a debate. The penalty for violation of this rule is loss of the debate in question and zero speaker points assigned to the offending debater. This rule recommends, but does not require, that all text messaging devices and cell phones be turned off during debates. It is meant to restrict the debaters from initiating or responding to any outside contact during a debate round. Example: A student's cell phone ringing during a debate would not violate the rule. A student calling, emailing, chatting text messaging or responding to any contact from their coach during a debate would violate this rule.



#### **Lincoln-Douglas Survivor Challenge Format & Pairing Information**

- 1. The Survivor Challenge begins with 8 Lincoln-Douglas debaters.
- 2. Each debater is guaranteed two rounds. The first two preliminary rounds will be randomly paired and will have two judges in each debate. Each debater will have a chance to win four ballots.
- 3. At the conclusion of Round Two, the bottom two debaters will be eliminated. **Debaters will be seeded occurring to ballots won/lost, speaker points (dropping high/low), and then by total points.** Remaining ties will be broken randomly.
- 4. The beginning of Round Three will be paired as follows:
  - 1. Debaters will be grouped into groups according to ballot count. Beginning with the group with the most ballots, a debater will be selected at random. That debater will have the right to challenge any of the remaining debaters. Debaters are permitted to debate a second time. "Repeat" debates are flip for sides, they are not side-locked.
  - 2. Once the group with the most ballots has all been paired, the next group (second most ballots) will be selected at random. That debater will have the right to challenge any of the remaining debaters.
  - 3. This procedure will continue until all debaters are paired.
  - 4. Judges will be assigned at random, adjusting for school constraint.
- 5. At the conclusion of Round Three, the bottom two debaters will be eliminated.
- 6. The challenge-based pairing of remaining debaters, and subsequent elimination of two debaters will continue until only two debaters remain.
- 7. When two debaters remain, the Final Round will be paired. An even number of adult judges will be assigned (likely 4). One ballot will be determined by the majority vote of student participants watching the Final Round.
- 8. Due to the nature of the Survivor Challenge, we request that no judge disclose a decision in a round. Brief post-round comments are permitted.
- 9. The Survivor Challenge will utilize the protest procedures outlined in the Cavalier Invitational Invitation & Information Packet



#### **Extemporaneous Speaking Survivor Challenge Format & Pairing Information**

- 1. The Survivor Challenge begins with 8 Extemporaneous speakers.
- 2. Each speaker is guaranteed three rounds. The first preliminary round will be randomly paired and will have two judges in the round. The first preliminary round will be a regular round of extemporaneous speaking with 30 minutes of prep. Each speaker will have a chance to receive two ranks. Speakers will be seeded occurring to ranks (dropping the lowest), reciprocal ranks (dropping the lowest), ranks from all rounds, and reciprocal ranks from all rounds.
- 3. The second preliminary round will be paired as follows:
  - a. The top two seeds will be placed in opposite rooms.
  - b. Beginning with the top seed, they may select any other speaker to be placed in their room.
  - c. Then, the second highest seed may select a speaker to be placed in their room.
  - d. Then, the top seeded speaker's selection gets to choose someone to add to the section.
  - e. Then, the second highest seeded speaker's selection can select someone.
  - f. This continues until all speakers are selected.
  - g. Judges are assigned and adjusted for school constraint.
- 4. The third preliminary round will be a round paired by snaking the seeds featuring only 20 minutes of preparation time.
- 5. At the conclusion of Round Three, the bottom two speakers will be eliminated.
- 6. Rounds Four & Five will consist of 6 speakers total. Round Four will be paired in the same manner as Round Two. Round Five will be a snaked, speed round with 20 minutes of preparation.
- 7. At the conclusion of Round Six, the bottom four speakers will be eliminated.
- 8. When two speakers remain, the Final Round will be paired. Round Six will be a speed round with 20 minutes of prep.
- 9. Due to the nature of the Survivor Challenge, we request that no judge disclose a decision in a round. Brief post-round comments are permitted.
- The Survivor Challenge will utilize the protest procedures outlined in the Cavalier Invitational Invitation & Information Packet



#### Congressional Debate Survivor Challenge Format & Pairing Information

- 1. The Survivor Challenge begin with 10 legislators.
- 2. Each debater is guaranteed three rounds.
  - a. The first preliminary round a Morning Hour session with a preassigned topic area.
  - b. The second preliminary round will be a traditional session that allows for each legislator to speak once on a tournament provided piece of legislation.
- 3. At the conclusion of Session Two, the legislators will be seeded from one to ten. Legislators will be seeded occurring to ranks in prelims, judge's preference, reciprocal ranks, ranks from prelims (drop high/low), and Parliamentarian's rank.
- 4. The Octafinals will be paired as follows:
  - a. The Top 6 seeded legislators will receive a bye to the Quarterfinals.
  - b. The 7<sup>th</sup> Seed will be allowed to select from the remaining 3 legislators who they would like to debate in a head-to-head debate.
  - c. The next highest seed will then be allowed to select from the remaining legislators.
  - d. This continues until all debates are paired.
  - e. Three judges will evaluate each debate/
- 5. Each elimination round will center around the same legislation from the Preliminary Session. However, the Tabroom will provide a brief update and briefing before each elimination round to keep the debate fresh.
- 6. The format for each head-to-head debate will be as follows:
  - a. The challenger will speak first and the challenged legislator will speak second.
  - b. The challenged legislator may choose what side they would like to debate.
  - c. Each legislator will a three-minute speech and then be cross-examined for one minute.
  - d. At the conclusion of both speeches and cross-examination periods, the judges will select which student was the winner.
- 7. At the conclusion of Octafinals, the losers of each head-to-head debate will be eliminated.
- 8. The Quarterfinals will be paired like the Octafinals. The highest seeded legislator will be allowed to select their opponent in a head-to-head debate. The next highest seed will select their opponent. This continues until all debates are paired. Debates will follow the same format as above.
- 9. At the end of the Quarterfinals, the losers of each head-to-head debate will be eliminated, and the Semifinals will be paired and held just like the previous two rounds.
- 10. When two legislators remain, the Final Round will be paired. An even number of adult judges will be assigned (likely 2). One ballot will be determined by the majority vote of student participants watching the Final Round.
- 11. Due to the nature of the Survivor Challenge, we request that no judge disclose a decision in a round. Brief post-round comments are permitted.



# A Bill to Close All Foreign Military Bases

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1	SECTION 1.	Within ten years of the passage of this legislation, all U.S. military bases
2		situated within foreign countries shall be closed, their troops and
3		personnel returned to the U.S., and their land and facilities returned
4		unconditionally to each respective nation.
5	SECTION 2.	This legislation shall be overseen by the Department of Defense
6	SECTION 3.	This legislation shall take effect immediately upon passage.
7	SECTION 4.	All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.
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