

Beetdigger Brawl Tournament



Welcome to the 3rd year of the Beetdigger Brawl Tournament! We welcome back previous schools and all new ones who will join us this year. Please feel free to send me feedback after the tournament so we can continue to improve it and make it better every time we do it in the future.

Basic Info:

Dates: Saturday, January 25th

Location: Jordan High School

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Registration Deadlines: January 24th @ 3:00pm

Tournament Level: Open competition (no novice divisions)

Events: Lincoln-Douglas, Public Forum, Policy, Congress, Oratory, Informative, National Extemp, Foreign Extemp (potentially combined extemp depending on entries), Impromptu, Dramatic Interp, Humorous Interp (in a combined interp category)

Entries: Students can double enter but only in speech events.

Internet & AI: We will be following the NSDA rules for the internet & AI.

Event Info:

Congress: Congress sessions will be 2 hours. There will be 2 sessions & a **final session**. The top 6-8 competitors from each house will compete in finals. A best chair award will be given.

The docket will be selected from the UDCA website and NSDA legislation and will be posted in Tabroom. We are aiming to use December & January bills.

Topics:

LD: January-February topic

Public Forum: January-February topic

CX: Resolved: The United States federal government should significantly strengthen its protection of domestic intellectual property rights in copyrights, patents, and/or trademarks.

Other info:

Judges & Coaches: All judges must be high school graduates! **No varsity judges.** Ballots will be online, so please remind your judges to bring a device and charger. Judges will meet in the library and food will be provided for them there. Coaches can hang out in the library as well.

Please bring 1 judge for every 4 debate entries, 1 judge for every 5 speech entries, 1 judge for every 5 in Congress, and 1 judge for every 2 policy teams.

If you have a Congress judge who can be a parliamentarian, please let me know.

Awards: There will be awards for the finalists in every event. Any event which approaches 90 entries will have double finals with trophies for all finalists.

Fees: \$4 per entry, per event. \$20 school fee. Make checks payable to Jordan High School debate. The information for payment is also on Tabroom.

Tabroom: If you are willing to help with extemp prep or with running the tournament, please let me know. Tab will be in the library, and coaches are welcome to hang out there.

Extemp Prep: Tech Atrium

Student Hang-out area: Students can congregate in the commons & cafeteria area, there will be tables setup for them. Please have students stay away from the gym & auditorium areas.

Food: Concessions will be sold in the commons from our award winning student store. There will also be food sold from 12 pm - 2:00 pm (food location pending).

Finals: The top 6-7 in each event will compete in a finals round. Any event which approaches 90 entries will have semi finals, so the top 12-14 will compete.

We will accelerate the schedule wherever possible to finish earlier!

Protest Procedures: Issues that occur in the round should be addressed within the round with the judge. The judge should be making the determination on evidence violations, rules violations, or similar. Those things cannot be re-litigated after the round.

If a student has issues with the way something was handled in a round, or has issues with something non-rules or evidence related, they should bring it **first to their coach**. Their coach can then determine if it merits being brought to the tournament director. The tournament director will then speak with the appropriate parties to investigate.

If a judge has a concern, they may bring it to the tournament director. They should report it and then recuse themselves from the situation. If further information is needed, the tournament director will contact them.

Students are welcome to come to tab for basic questions—e.g., what time should Congress end, where is extemp prep, etc. Anything that is rules or protest-related, however, **must** go through their coach.

Schedule:

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Saturday

7:20am-7:50am- Check-In

7:30am- Judges Meeting

Policy

Round 1 – 8:00am-10:30am

Round 2 – 10:30am-1:00pm

Round 3 – 1:00pm-3:30pm

Finals – 3:30pm-6:00pm

*Congress**

Session 1 – 8:00am-10:30am

Session 2 – 11:00am-1:30pm

Finals – 2:00pm-4:30pm

*Everything else***

Round 1 – 8:00am-10:00am

Round 2 – 10:00am-12:00pm

Round 3 – 12:00pm-2:00pm

Round 4 – 2:00pm-4:00pm

Finals*** – 4:00pm-6:00pm

Awards- 6:30pm

*Best chair award will be given in congress

**All debates will run double flighted

***A speech final may be round 4 depending on time