
The All Inclusive Spring Invitational

Greetings, Fellow Forensics Enthusiasts!

I am absolutely thrilled to extend a warm and heartfelt invitation to what promises to be [The Largest Asynchronous and Virtual Tournament ever!](#) As [The Forensics Guy](#), I've dedicated myself wholeheartedly to this endeavor, and I'm unwavering in my commitment to make Speech and Debate the most accessible, inclusive, equitable, and diverse activity possible! [Join me](#) March 20-23, 2025 – I have an abundance of exciting plans in store for all 2,000+ of you! This year, we will be donating 5% of the proceeds generated from this tournament and [Merch](#) sales 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 pillow points in my mission. (You'd only get the pillow reference if you listened to [my podcast episode](#)) 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 and/or compete in the live online events.
- 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! (The only restriction that we must have is that students may only choose one debate event.)

Judging: The Student:Judge ratio is 5:1 for Speech, 2:1 for Debate and 6:1 for Congress Judges must have a Tabroom account.

Everyone's Invited: Asynchronous events are open to all. For virtual competition we have Novice (For Elementary and newer Middle schoolers.) & Open (For all other students up to 12th grade.)

Date: March 20-23, 2025

Location: NSDA Campus for virtual competition and Tabroom, via submitted recorded video performance.

Registration Deadline: March 18, 2025

Financial

School Fee: \$25

Student Entry Fee (Per Event): \$25 (\$50 for Partnered events) Big Question Debate is FREE!

Hired Judge Fee: \$350

Add/Dropped Student Fee: \$10 (After March 18, 2025)

Dropped Judge Fee: \$350 (After March 18, 2025)

Fines: Judges that do not report to assigned round will be fined \$150

Payment: Please send checks or money order to: ([If paying digitally, please send to my paypal.](#))

Forensics Forever

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Tentative Schedule (PST Time Zone)

Registration Closes	Tuesday, March 18, 2025 9pm
Video Submission Deadline (For Async)	Tuesday, March 18, 2025 9pm
Async Prelim Rounds	Thursday, March 20, 2025 5pm
Async Finals	Friday, March 21, 2025 6pm
Virtual Debate Rounds	Saturday, March 22, 2025 8am
Virtual Speech Rounds	Sunday, March 23, 2025 8am

Awards	Posted Monday, March 24, 2025
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Event/Round	Time
Async Speech Round 1	Thursday, March 20: 5pm
Async Speech Round 2	Thursday, March 20: 615pm
Async Speech Round 3	Thursday, March 20: 730pm
Async Speech Final Round	Friday, March 21: 6pm
Debate Round 1	Saturday, March 22: 8am
Congress Session 1	Saturday, March 22: 8am
Debate Round 2	Saturday, March 22: 10am
Congress Session 2	Saturday, March 22: 1130am
Debate Round 3	Saturday, March 22: 1pm
Congress Session 3	Saturday, March 22: 2pm
Debate Round 4	Saturday, March 22: 3pm
Speech Round 1	Sunday, March 22: 8am
Speech Round 2	Sunday, March 22: 930am
Speech Round 3	Sunday, March 22: 12pm
Speech Final Round	Sunday, March 22: 2pm

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 (High School Rules) unless otherwise linked. The link to the governing rules can be found by clicking the name of the event:

Event	Asnyc	Elementary	Open/Varsity	Notes
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Radio Announcing		X	X	Radio Announcing is on page 51 / All grade levels will observe these rules.
Poetry Interpretation	X	X	X	Extended to 10 minute time limit. (+30 Second Grace Period.)
Prose Interpretation	X	X	X	Extended to 10 minute time limit. (+30 Second Grace Period.)
Declamation	X	X	X	
Dramatic Interpretation	X	X	X	
Duo Interpretation	X	X	X	
Extemporaneous Speaking	X	X	X	
Humorous Interpretation	X	X	X	
Impromptu Speaking	X	X	X	
Original Oratory	X	X	X	
Storytelling	X	X	X	Extended to 10 minute time limit. (+30 Second Grace Period.)
Informative Speaking	X	X	X	
Program Oral Interpretation	X	X	X	
News Reporting		X		Rules on page 19 of document. Please disregard the 70 point scale. Please adhere to all other non point related rules.
PF		X	X	
LD		X	X	

Parli		X	X	
Policy		X	X	
Congress		X	X	
BQD			X	

Special Rules

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



