

Papillion La Vista Middle School (LVMS) Debate Tournament

April 12, 2025

Information:

Welcome to the LVMS Debate Tournament! We will have four Preliminary rounds, break to Quarterfinals. Since we are getting bigger, I really need all teams to fulfill their judge obligation! As a result of our district growth, we will have a small registration fee of \$3/entry.

-Every round will be side-locked! The computer will decide what side you are debating on for each round. It will force you to debate each side at least once.

-We will have flex prep during the round. When a debater takes their prep time, they can also ask questions to their opponent. The opponent can ONLY answer questions at this time.

-We will have an open WIFI policy. Debaters will be able to use wifi during the round to look up evidence they have on hand or to look up new evidence throughout the round. All debaters must have evidence prepared to show opponent's if they ask for it in round, during prep.

***Please discuss with judges about proper judging etiquette. It's important to give constructive critiques where the students want to stay in the activity. We want to encourage judges to give speaker scores of 25 or higher and no low-point wins!(Whoever wins should have higher speaker points by at least .5).**

Debate Topic: Resolution Resolved: The United States Federal Government should Provide Free Healthcare to Every American Citizen

We will abide by the following round times:

AFF speaker Overview- 4min.

NEG speaker Overview- 4 min.

Crossfire- 2 min.

AFF speaker Attack- 2 min.

NEG speaker Attack/Rebuild- 3 min.

Crossfire- 2 min.

AFF speaker Rebuild/Final Focus- 2 min.

NEG speaker Final Focus- 1 min.

Prep time- 4 min.

Schedule:

8:00- Registration

8:30- Round 1

9:15- Round 2

10:00- Round 3(powered)

10:45- Round 4(powered)

11:15-Quarterfinals

Lunch/Awards

ASAP- Semifinals

ASAP- Final

Awards: As for awards, there will be speaker awards for top 6 speakers for each division, Quarterfinalist Awards, Semifinalist Awards, Finalist Award, and a Champion Award. There will also be a "Most Enthusiastic Debater" Award that everyone will vote on during the tournament.

* We will have a judges lounge for all judges and coaches. Concessions will be made available to competitors from 9:30am-1pm.