



WHITEFISH BAY FORENSIC INVITATIONAL

Congressional Debate on Friday 3/6; Everything else on Saturday, 3/7

Make your entry via wfb.tabroom.com. If you run into problems, call for help!

Things of Note:

- Our facilities are limited. Once we near capacity, all entries are waitlisted and admitted in order of registration (first come, first serve).
- We are increasing our number of tournament-hire judges and lowering the judge burden to 1 judge for every 6 entries. You may also choose to hire judging at \$25/entry. We hope this helps our guests save \$.
- We are offering an enhanced Congressional Debate Experience - see below for details.
- We will return to our traditional non-flighted schedule this year.
- E-ballots have arrived - an optional paperless way for judges to submit ballots will follow.

ENTRIES: A team's top 25 entries - and a max. of a team's 4 best entries in a single category count toward team sweepstakes. **Double/triple entries allowed in all events.** We continue to offer Oratorical Declamation.

FEES: \$10/each single entry. \$16/each Play Acting, Duo Interp, or Group Interp entry.

DEADLINES:

Friday, 3/1 at Noon Entry fees & Judge obligations freeze

Friday, 3/6 at Noon Entries closed. Last chance for drops and name changes.

JUDGES: One (1) well-trained judge for each five (6) entries. You may hire out judges at \$25/uncovered entry. Judges are obligated through finals and must be familiar with rules, and respect the rules of the tournament.

AWARDS: Medals to finalists. Trophies to: top three in each event, top five large schools based on sweepstakes, top three small schools based on quality points. Triathlon Award to top three triple-entered students. Students must compete in one interp + one speech category to be eligible. We ask all teams join us at awards to crown our top students. Results will be available after awards on tabroom.com. Ballots and trophies will not be mailed or released before the conclusion of the awards ceremony.

RULES: WFCA rules will be followed. Rules for the NCFL category of Oratorical Declamation are at ncfl.org/declamation. Please brief your judges on the rules of all categories. Remind your judges that they should **never leave a room before all scheduled students have performed** unless tournament staff have been consulted. Oratorical Declamation entries must be 9th or 10th graders ONLY. This is a disqualifiable offense.

FOOD: Snacks for sale in the Rotunda. Lunch for students in the basement cafeteria. Judges eat free in the lounge. Before you ask--yes, we'll again have our famous egg rolls served fresh!

E-Ballots: Over the past year, tournaments in Wisconsin and around the country have begun implementing e-balloting at debate tournaments. It has been a huge success and a time saver. This year, I hope to pilot eballoting with a group of interested judges. You'll receive information about this in the time leading up to the tournament with the option to **OPT-IN**. This means that all judges who want to go to traditional paper ballot route **MAY DO SO AND SHOULD DISREGARD ALL INFO ABOUT EBALLOTING**.

MISC: Coaches will receive copies of some of their judges' ballots. Ensure that you do not block the street in front of the Fairmount Ave. main entrance - this is where our shuttle bus will stop. Buses will be asked to move or they'll be ticketed. 2 buildings are used; we offer a shuttle to WFB Middle School, within walking distance.

SATURDAY TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE:

7:00 You **MUST** call in to confirm your entry by this time.

7:00 - 7:45 Registration (meaning don't arrive to WFBHS after 7:45am)

8:00 All-Judge Meeting in the Link, which is the North annex to the main building.

All-Student Meeting in the Auditorium

Extemp/Radio Draw begins in the Library (234C)

8:30 Round One

9:45 Round Two

11:00 Round Three

1:30 Semifinals/Finals

4:00 Awards Ceremony to follow in Auditorium

SATURDAY MORNING: You are required to confirm your entry whether or not you have drops. If you are staying overnight, feel free to speak with Shawn on Friday night to confirm your entry.

You must either call or, preferably, txt. If you call, do not leave a voicemail. If you txt, make sure you include the following information: School name, school code, and both the codes and names of any student changes you have to report. You are not confirmed unless you speak with someone or receive a "confirmed" text message back.

Call or txt by 7:15AM to: **262.224.3209**

You may also e-mail: **shawn.matson@gmail.com**

PAYMENT: You may generate a PDF invoice on tabroom.com for yourself.

Please make checks payable to *Whitefish Bay High School* and mail to:

Whitefish Bay High School

Attn: Shawn Matson, Forensics

1200 E. Fairmount Avenue

Whitefish Bay, WI 53217

QUESTIONS?: Please e-mail me at shawn.matson@gmail.com or call 262-224-3209. Thanks!

CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE INFORMATION

Friday, March 6, 2015

ENTRIES AND DEADLINE: Entries due by noon on Friday, 3/1 at wfb.tabroom.com.

FEES: \$16 per entry, which includes dinner for students and judges. You are obligated to provide judging for and pay for all congress entries you have registered as of Noon on 3/1.

JUDGES: One (1) well-trained judge for each eight (8) congress entries required. Hired judges for \$100.

AWARDS: Medals to finalists; trophies to top three in each chamber. Best PO gets a gavel, awarded by a one vote per school student vote.

FOOD: We'll continue to offer a delicious dinner to all, including a vegetarian option.

RULES: NSDA rules will be followed, and may be accessed at www.speechanddebate.org. We will utilize direct questioning. After the first session, we will break to a supersession and a consolation chamber for those who do not advance. Those who compete in the supersession will enjoy Wisconsin's first-ever Final Round Scenario. More info to follow.

LEGISLATION: send to shawn.matson@gmail.com by 3/1 at Noon. Submitting legislation does not automatically mean it will be accepted by the tournament. The only reason this will happen is if your legislation is not properly formatted, does not follow the correct function of a Resolution or Bill, or is dilatory or Wisconsin-specific.

SCHEDULE

3:00 You **MUST** call in and confirm whether or not you have drops.

3:00-3:30 Registration

4:00 First Session

6:00 Dinner in cafeteria

6:30 Supersession w/ Scenario + Consolation Chamber

8:45 Awards Ceremony to follow in cafeteria

FRIDAY: Call in whether or not you have drops. Do not leave a voicemail; continue to call until you speak with someone! Call the following number by **3:15PM**: 262.224.3209.

You may also txt me. Make sure to say what school you're calling from and be detailed about any changes. You are not confirmed unless you speak with someone or receive a "confirmed" text message back.

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