



Moody Middle School Speech and Debate Invitational

WHEN: February 28th, 2026
WHERE: George H. Moody Middle School
7800 Woodman Road, Henrico, VA

EVENTS: For invitationals, NSDA rules will be followed, with the exception of limited preparation events, which allow will notecards. We hope to provide a great local tournament option for Central Virginia middle school students! **Registration is only open to middle school competitors (6th-8th Grade)**

1. **Lincoln-Douglas:** Open, 4 rounds.
TOPIC: Resolved: The possession of nuclear weapons is immoral.
2. **Public Forum:** Open. 4 rounds.
TOPIC: Resolved: The Federal Trade Commission should establish a federal regulatory framework for sports betting.
3. **Student Congress:** STUDENT CONGRESS: Open division, 2 sessions- 90-120 minutes depending on number of entries.

Congress topics: To be posted on tabroom one month prior to competition, Jan. 28th

Each student should submit legislation, using the appropriate RFSDL Template: [Bill Template](#), [Resolution Template](#). Here is a [sample of Bills and Resolutions from NSDA](#). Please send legislation using Google Docs only.

Teams should coordinate to divide bills up among the following 3 categories (Domestic, International, Economic). **Email congress legislation (as a Google Doc) to Sanchez@RichmondForum.org by Friday, February 13th at 5pm.** No exceptions.

The legislation packet will be set by Tabroom from the submitted legislation, but not all submitted legislation will be included! The emphasis for what legislation ultimately makes the prelim docket will rest on the quality of the legislation, as determined by an impartial third party.

4. **Speech Categories*:** The following open speech categories will be offered (4 rounds each): Impromptu, Original Oratory, Prose, Poetry, DI, HI, Duo, and Storytelling. Students MAY double-enter in all speech categories. Students may enter in no more than two events.

*Events may be combined or eliminated based on numbers entered.

JUDGE BURDEN:

Each school is responsible for providing their own judges. Students will remain on the waitlist until schools have met their judges burdens.

1 judge for:

- ...every 2 Lincoln-Douglas Debate entries or fraction thereof,
- ...every 2 Public Forum Debate entries or fraction thereof,
- ...every 2 Policy Debate entries or fraction thereof,
- ...every 5 Student Congress entries or fraction thereof, and
- ...every 5 Individual Events entries or fraction thereof*

*Student Congress and IE event judges may be combined. Judges may be high school students if they are current speech and debate competitors, juniors/ seniors, and are a part of a RFSDI member school.

SCHEDULE:

- 8am - Registration
- 8:35am - Student Meeting
- 8:45am - Judge Meeting
- 9am- Congress Judge Meeting
- 9:15am- Speech Round 1
Debate Round 1
- 9:30am- Congress Session 1
- 10:15am- Speech Round 2
Debate Round 2
- 12:30pm- Congress Session 2
- 12:45pm - Speech Round 3
Debate Round 3
- 2pm- Speech Round 4
Debate Round 4
- 3:30pm- (or ASAP) Awards Ceremony

COSTS:

Competitors in RFSDI circuit schools participate at no cost. Schools outside the region will be assessed a \$10 fee per single entry and a \$20 fee per partner entry (Duo and Public Forum)

DROPS:

Drops (for any reason) are permitted up to 48 hours before the tournament with no penalty. Drops within 48 hours require schools to honor the entry fees AND still require the original judging quota. ***If the original judging quota is not met upon registration, students may not be able to compete.***

LUNCH:

Pizza lunch for competitors, coaches, and judges is included. Please make accommodations with students who can't eat pizza. Please provide your own snacks for students who may need them throughout the day.

AWARDS:

Awards will be given to the top 3 finishers in each category.

REGISTRATION:

Registration opens Jan. 20, 2026.

Please go to: <http://moodyinvitational.tabroom.com/> to register.

You will need to create a Tabroom.com account with an email and password (free).

Add your entries and judges.

Direct any tabroom questions to Sanchez@richmondforum.org

Congress registration and legislation is due Friday, February 13, 2026.

All other registrations are due by Friday, February 20th, 2026.

Looking Forward,

Tournament Host: Beverly Matos, bjmatos@henrico.k12.va.us

Tournament Manager: Sanchez Tucker, Sanchez@RichmondForum.org