



Fortnir's Challenge

Ripley High School
January 17, 2026

You are cordially invited to attend the second annual Fortnir's Challenge Speech and Debate Tournament at Ripley High School. We have a few changes this year, so be sure to check out the second page of the invite for updated information.

Section A Events: Impromptu, Prose, Dramatic/Humorous Interp, Informative, Broadcasting, Program Oral Interp, Public Forum Debate

Section B Events: Extemp, Poetry, Declamation, Original Oratory, Duo, Lincon/Douglas Debate, SPAR Debate

SPAR Prep Room – Library Conference Room

Extemp and Broadcasting Prep Room – Library

Students may enter two speech events in each section.

Debaters may not enter a second event within the same section of their debate event(s).

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Opening Assembly	8:30 AM
Round 1A – (Broadcasting = Prepared TV News – No Prep)	8:45 AM to 10:00 AM
<i>Extemp Draw – Room TBD</i>	<i>Starts at 9:30 AM</i>
<i>SPAR Prep – Room TBD</i>	<i>Starts at 9:45 AM</i>
Round 1B	10:00 AM to 11:10 AM
<i>Broadcasting Prep (TV News-15 min) – Room TBD</i>	<i>Starts at 10:55 AM</i>
Round 2A	11:10 AM to 12:20 PM
Lunch	11:30 AM – 12:45 PM
<i>Extemp Draw – Room TBD</i>	<i>Starts at 11:50 AM</i>
<i>SPAR Prep – Room TBD</i>	<i>Starts at 12:05 PM</i>
Round 2B	12:20 PM to 1:30 PM
<i>Broadcasting Prep (Edited Radio News-30 Min) – Room TBD</i>	<i>Starts at 1:00 PM</i>
Round 3A	1:30 PM to 2:35 PM
<i>Extemp Draw – Room TBD</i>	<i>Starts at 2:05 PM</i>

SPAR Prep – Room TBD
Round 3B

Starts at 2:20 PM
2:35 PM to 3:40 PM

Awards

4:15 PM

Additional Information

- Maps and directions will be forthcoming. Parking is available in both the front and back lots. There will be signs.
- If any school needs overnight accommodations, please reach out. We have several low-cost options in our area including Cedar Lakes Conference Center, Parchment Valley Conference Center, and local hotels.
- Students are to gather and setup in the lobby. There will be a sign. Schools will have some goodies for competitors and coaches, provided by our Main Street Ripley and Ripley CVB. Registration will be right inside the Main doors.
- Judge's lounge, Tabroom, Prep Rooms, Opening Ceremonies & Awards will be held in the other building. Enter through the lobby doors under the stained glass.
- Lunches will be available for pre-purchase on tabroom; there will be light snacks available for purchase on the day of the tournament as well. These will be provided by our FFA program, as they were last year. Please support the programs who support us! We couldn't compete or host without them.
- We will have some fundraising sales, including decals available for purchase (\$1-\$2) at the concession booth. Additionally, this year we have an online store for [Fortnir's Challenge T-shirts](#). All proceeds will be deposited into our small but mighty Speech and Debate Team account. PLEASE NOTE: The online store will remain open until January 25 (the day after our Tournament). T-shirts can be shipped to students or they can save money by having them come to RHS and we can hand deliver them at the Marshall Tournament.
- Awards will include trophies for all 1st place finishes, and medals for 2nd and 3rd. Sweepstakes and High Point Competitor will also be awarded. We will also have a few door prizes that students can register to win.
- We will have a few judges available for hire, or to meet partial obligations. Please reach out to us with any questions.