

**CLASS A STATE TOURNAMENT – CORVALLIS
JANUARY 30 AND 31, 2026
MONTANA CLASS A STATE FORENSIC FEST**



Dear Fellow Class A Coaches:

Please note: all schools must complete their individual registration by Monday, January 26 by 8:00 pm. Registration will open on January 24 at 6:00 pm.

Tabroom link: <http://classastate.tabroom.com>

Round 1 for all events will start at 11:00 AM. Debate only will have a 5:00 pm round on Friday.

Friday

| <u>Speech / Drama</u> | | <i>EXTEMP Draw</i> |
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| Round 1 | 11:00 am | 10:30 am |
| Round 2 | 1:00 pm | 12:30 pm |
| Round 3 | 3:00 pm | 2:30 pm |

| <u>Debate</u> | |
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| Round 1 | 11:00 AM |
| Round 2 | 1:00 pm |
| Round 3 | 3:00 pm |
| Round 4 DEBATE ONLY | 5:00 pm |

Saturday

| | | <i>EXTEMP Draw</i> |
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| Round 4 | 8:00 am <i>(no 8 am round for events with fewer than 16)</i> | 7:30 am |
| Round 5 | 10:00 am <i>This will be round 4 for events with fewer than 16)</i> | 9:30 am |
| Semis | 1:00 pm <i>This will be round 5 for events with fewer than 16)</i> | 12:30 pm |
| Finals | 4:00 pm | 3:30 pm |

| Round 5 | 8:00 am |
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| Quarters | 10:00 am |
| Semis | 1:00 pm |
| Finals | 4:00 pm |

Please note that any event with 15 or fewer entries will NOT have an 8:00am Saturday round, since those events will not have semis. *(as per rule X.B.4. on page 47: For Class A, any speech and/or drama event with 15 or fewer entries: raw scores will be used for preliminary rounds and Semifinals will not be held. (Note: remove truncate rank from all tiebreakers in Tabroom and this is an exception to procedures in VIII.B). It must be used for all events with fewer than 15 entries. Sweepstakes points for Semifinals will not be awarded if they are not held.*

**All events will be held at the High School/Middle School campus area.
Concessions will be available in the student gathering area. Map is attached.**

On-site check-in is Thursday night, January 29, from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Late check-in will be Friday morning from 9:30-10:00. **(No student off-loading until 10:00 am.)**

After unloading, buses will need to move to the east parking area (the football field parking lot) across the road from the main campus.

Topics:

Lincoln-Douglas Debate – 2026 January/February Topic

Resolved: The possession of nuclear weapons is immoral.

Public Forum Debate – 2026 January Topic

Resolved: The People's Republic of China should substantially reduce its international extraction of natural resources.

Policy Debate – 2025-2026 Topic

Resolved: The United States federal government should significantly increase its exploration and/or development of the Arctic.

Concessions will be available; the menu and prices are attached. If you wish to set up a charge account for your team, please use this form: [**Concessions 2026 signup**](#)

The hospitality room for coaches and judges will be room 20 (my classroom).
Bus drivers can also access the food in the hospitality room but should use room 19 for seating as we will need the space in room 20 for judges.

The 2025-2026 MHSA Handbook will be followed.

Fees: registration fee is \$8 per participant and \$35 per school. (page 46, X., A., 6.)

Reminder – Page 47, X., B., 3. States: The tabulation room will be open to paid member coaches of the Montana Forensic Educators Association to observe the tabulation procedure. Those coaches who are not paid members will not be allowed entrance to the tab room but will still be allowed to view feedback and results.

As usual, no open stereos in the buildings EXCEPT when used during a presentation.

Students are not to enter rooms until the judge is there.

Please remind students that they are guests and should act as such - no tampering with classrooms, equipment, or teacher and/or student materials. Coaches are expected to monitor their students. Vandalism, theft, etc. are legal matters, and will be handled as such.

Hopefully, we will have a fun and enjoyable meet. I'm planning on it.

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