

# ETHERTON INVITATIONAL JR & SR

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JANUARY 31, 2026 / MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY



## PLATFORM

Our tournament will be held in person on the campus of Murray State University and will use Tabroom.com for electronic ballots. All competitors and judges will need to have a registered account on Tabroom.com and judges should bring their own laptop to fulfill their obligations in preliminary and final rounds.

## CATEGORIES

We will offer all KHSSL JR & SR speech events at the Etherton Invitational. Please consult the [Kentucky High School Speech League Handbook](#) for event guidelines and scoring rules.

## ENTRIES

Teams will be allowed to have unlimited entries. The top three scores in each event per team will count towards the team sweepstakes awards. Students may **TRIPLE** in individual speech events. All students are expected to follow the schedule for the day and be on-time to rounds. However, we ask that judges be patient as students may be moving from building to building. Any concerns about whether to hold a round or not for missing students should be addressed with the tournament staff in Tab.

## JUDGES

Teams will provide one judge for every six entries into the tournament (6 entries = 1 judge, 12 entries = 2 judges, etc.). In the event you cannot provide the required number of judges, there will be a fine of \$35 per missing judge.

All judges should be familiar with KHSSL rules and ballots and are expected to be available in the judge pool during rounds where they have not been

scheduled. ALL JUDGES MUST HAVE A TABROOM ACCOUNT IN ORDER TO BE PLACED ON YOUR JUDGING ROSTER. Some JR Speech rounds may utilize SR Speech judges and vice versa. All judges are asked to be prepared for the day and to attend the 8am opening meeting.

## **COST**

Single entry = \$5.00

Double entry (Duo/Improv) = \$10.00

Entry drops/adds after deadline = \$10.00

Unfulfilled judge burden = \$35 per missing judge

Judge drops = \$50



## **AWARDS**

Entries & Judges Due: Monday, January 26th at 5pm (central time)

Late & Add/Drop fees begin: Wednesday, January 28th at noon (central time)

## **FOOD**

Murray State Forensics will have concessions available for purchase on campus. Please support their program and purchase your snacks and meals from this outstanding group.

## **PARKING & DROP OFF**

Teams may park in university parking during the day of the contest. Follow all campus rules and regulations as we are guests of Murray State.

## **LODGING**

Hotels located nearby:

SpringHill Suites by Marriott - 1512 N. 12th St., Murray - 270-917-8000

Hampton Inn & Suites - 1415 Lowes Drive, Murray - 270-767-2226

Quality Inn - 1210 N. 12th St., Murray - 270-759-5910

Best Western University Inn - 1503 N. 12th St., Murray - 270-873-8167

Holiday Inn Express & Suites - 1504 N. 12th St., Murray - 270-759-4449

Kenlake State Resort Park - 542 Kenlake Rd., Hardin - 270-474-2211 (**23 miles out**)

## **SCHEDULE (ALL TIMES APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**

7:15-7:45      REGISTRATION AT LOVETT

8:00            EXTEMP PREP BEGINS (Wilson Hall - 3rd floor)

8:00-8:15      OPENING MEETING - Students, Coaches, and Judges

8:30            ROUND 1

9:30            EXTEMP PREP

10:00          ROUND 2

11:30          EXTEMP PREP

12:00          ROUND 3

1:30            FINALS POSTINGS

2:00            FINALS

4:00            AWARDS



## **HOW TO ENTER / PAYMENT**

All teams must register online and review invoices on Tabroom. Please bring payment with you to the tournament. Checks must be made payable to Murray High Speech Team.

We look forward to a wonderful day of fun, fellowship, and quality competition!

Thanks,  
Michael Robinson  
Coach, Murray Middle & Murray High Speech Teams