



NSDA Florida Manatee District Tournament  
Congressional Debate (House & Senate) and Big Questions Debate  
**TENTATIVE Schedule**  
**Thursday & Friday, March 26th & 27th, 2026**  
**Pompano Beach High School (in person)**

## CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE SCHEDULE (House & Senate)

### Wednesday, March 25th: Congressional Debate Schedule

#### Chamber Chats on Zoom

6:30 pm - House and Senate Chambers posted

7:00 - 7:30 pm - ZOOM meetings for each House and Senate chamber

### Thursday, March 26th: Congressional Debate Schedule

#### In-person at Pompano Beach High School

4:00 pm - Congress Competitor & Judge Check-in (Do not arrive to campus before 3:45 pm)

4:30 - 7:30 pm - House/Senate Preliminary Session 1 (judges & students should report to chambers by 4:15 pm)

Judges: Hit **START** on Tabroom by 4:15 pm

### Friday, March 27th: Congressional Debate Schedule

#### In person at Pompano Beach High School

8:00 am - Judge Meeting & Competitor Check-in

8:30 am - 11:30 am: House/Senate Preliminary Session 2 (report to chambers 5 mins early)

*Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm*

12:00 pm: House Final Round Participants postings

12:30 pm - 3:30 pm: Senate Preliminary Session 3/House Finals (chambers will open 15 mins prior to semis and finals for students to communicate and coordinate in advance)

3:45 pm or ASAP - Awards Ceremony

The Senate will have 3 preliminary rounds, with no Final. National Qualifiers shall be determined by the cumulative scores from all rounds.

The House will have 2 preliminary rounds, with a Final. (If 4 or less sections) The top 4 competitors from each section will advance to the House Final. (If 5 or more sections) The top 3 competitors from each section will advance to the House Final.

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## **BIG QUESTIONS DEBATE SCHEDULE**

### **Friday, March 27th: Big Questions Debate Schedule**

#### **In person at Pompano Beach High School**

8:00 am - Registration & Competitor Check-in (with coach)

8:30 am - Big Questions Debate, Round 1 (report to round by 8:20 am)

9:45am - BQ Round 2 (report to round by 10:00 am)

Lunch 11:00 am - 11:30 pm

11:45 am - BQ Round 3 (report to round by 11:40 am)

1:00 pm - BQ Round 4 (report to round by 12:50 pm)

\*After prelims, BQ Debate is *Single-Elimination* (1 loss=you're out)\*

2:15 pm - BQ Elimination Round 1 (report to round by 2:30 pm)

3:30 pm - BQ Elimination Round 2 (report to round by 3:45 pm)

Elimination rounds will continue until we have a winner...

Awards Ceremony: If BQ finishes well before Congress, we will announce the qualifier following the final round

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