

January 8, 2026

Re: VHSL 3C Regional Tournament

Dear Forensic coaches,

Fluvanna is excited to be hosting the Region 3C Forensics meet this year! In order for things to run smoothly, it is important that I pass on some basic information.

1. Tournament date:
 - a. Saturday, February 7.
 - b. Snow date: Saturday, February 14.

2. The Extemp topics:
 - a. Round 1 - National Guard
 - b. Round 2 - Caribbean Drug Control Activities
 - c. Round 3 - FDA/CDC
 - d. Round 4 - Brazil

3. Judges:
 - a. Each school will need to provide a single judge for every 4 entries.
 - b. With a tournament this big it is the only way to have enough judges.
 - c. "Clean" judges? If you have "Clean" judges, please let me know! This would be VERY helpful! Clean judges are individuals NOT affiliated with your school. Not parents. Not teachers. Not graduates. Judges need to be trained. Do not bring untrained judges to this tournament!
 - d. If you can provide more, that would be great! Judge stipend will be \$50 for the day.
 - e. Judges are required to attend the briefing the morning of the tournament.
 - f. Judges will be provided with lunch and access to a hospitality room.
 - g. Judges will need to be registered in Tabroom, and will need to bring a laptop for judging/evaluating.

4. Tabroom:
 - a. We have to submit entries on the VHSL Regional entry form but I have also set up a Tabroom registration page for the purposes of running the tournament. I am asking each school to register your team on Tabroom in addition to the Regional Form for the purposes of running the tournament.

5. Regional entry forms and Tabroom entries:
 - a. Due January 30
 - b. Can be found on the VHSL website but are also attached to this email.
 - c. If all info (students and judges) is entered in Tabroom forms can be faxed.

6. Schedule:
 - a. The final schedule will be determined once we get an idea of the number of entries and consensus of coaches. But here is an idea of the general schedule assuming we have two full rooms of competitors, glorious weather, lots of judges and absolutely no issues!

Schedule (approximate):

Registration	11:00-11:30
Coach and Judge Meeting	11:45
Extemp Draw R1	12:00
Round 1	12:30
Extemp Draw R2	1:15
Round 2	1:45
Extemp Draw R3	2:30
Round 3	3:00
Finals	4:30 (if needed)
Awards (approximate)	4:30/6:00 (depending on finals)

7. Tournament Format: This tournament will use VHSL Option B: Three rounds of competition with two judges for each round. Judges will not see the same event more than once in the tournament.
8. Facility: The competition will be held in classrooms at Fluvanna County High School. Maps with rooms highlighted should be available at the registration table and wayfinding signs will be posted.
9. Parking: Teams may be dropped off at the entrance in the back of the school. Buses may park in the bus lot (to the left of the school). Judges may park in the student/visitor lot between the school and the athletic fields.
10. VHSL Rules
 - a. Please go over all VHSL rules for all events
 - b. Extemp
 - i. No cell phones allowed in prep room. No wifi allowed.
 - ii. Laptops are permitted.
 - c. Original
 - i. Bring a hard copy of the original speech (you will not be allowed to print on site). Needs to be signed by student.
 - d. Interp Events
 - i. Bring ORIGINAL material (book or ebook) to the tournament in the event a challenge is made. Copies of manuscripts are not acceptable.
11. Concessions: Will be available for purchase in the cafeteria/common area.
12. Tab Room: The tabroom will be in the Media Center.

13. Individual 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will receive recognition. 4th and 5th place finishers will be designated as the alternates to the Super Regional tournament.
14. Team Awards: The team(s) with the greatest number of place points will be declared the Regional Champion. The team(s) with the second greatest number of place points will be declared the Regional runner-up. First places earn 5 points, second places earn 3 points, third places earn 1 points. If there is a tie for either first or second place in the school sweepstakes, the tie will be broken by counting the number of firsts, the number of seconds, etc. earned by each school until the tie is broken.
15. Final Results: The results of the tournament will be official as announced and sent out to coaches unless challenged within one hour (60 minutes) of the end of the announcements/email time by any team. Any team not contacting the director within the 60-minute window of opportunity after awards have been announced and results have been shared via email forfeits the ability to challenge the results. The official results will be forwarded to the VHSL office in Charlottesville, VA, within 24 hours of the end of the announcement. Individual schools are responsible for registering for the State tournament.
16. VHSL Super Regionals. The VHSL State Speech tournament will be held on February 28 at Lord Botetourt High School.
17. Judging Resources: Please share with your judges the following resources as it will be beneficial to familiarize themselves with the format in which we are operating.

Resource	Description
Creating a Judge Account on Tabroom.com	While this is necessary for coaches, this is a video to pass along to all of those judges that you have made use of over the years.
Tabroom.com Judging	After having accounts created judges will most likely want to know what judging virtually looks like - especially the balloting process. This video goes over making use of the Tabroom.com platform for judging.

If you have ANY questions do NOT hesitate to email me cedgerton@apps.fluco.org

I look forward to seeing everyone next month!