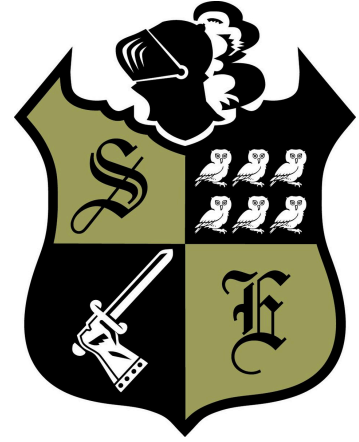


Tournament Invitation

2026 Winter Joust

Lincoln Southeast High School
2930 S 37th St, Lincoln, NE 68506
February 14, 2026



We are happy to invite you to Lincoln Southeast for the 2026 Winter Joust! We will offer an open tournament for Congress, Public Forum, Lincoln-Douglas, and Policy. Please contact Steve Dosskey (sdosskey@lps.org, 402-840-7652) or Colten White (cwhite3@lps.org, 308-293-9549) with any questions.

Dates & Deadlines

You can register on Tabroom at <http://winterjoust.tabroom.com>.

All ballots will be electronic, so make sure your judges are linked on Tabroom.

Due to NSAA bylaws, this is a high school-only tournament. No middle school students may be entered. Students must compete for the high school they attend. All students entered must be NSAA eligible. You may view the NSAA bylaws at nsaahome.org.

We will be using the NSDA topics for February. We will follow NSDA rules and pilot rules.

Schedule

- Registration 7:30-8:00a
- AM rounds/sessions start at 8:15a
- Lunch approximately from 11:30a-12:30p
- PM rounds/sessions start at approximately 12:30p
- Awards will happen around 5:00p

Congress Docket Order & Notes

We will use the docket as posted on Tabroom. The docket is fixed and cannot be rearranged by students. We will be utilizing direct questioning (30 second blocks).

Awards

We will be awarding the Ethos-Pathos-Logos award to a debater who embodies those rhetorical appeals both in and out of round. This award will be voted on by coaches and judges. The link will be sent out day of tournament.

Congress awards will go to the top P.O. in each house along with the top 6 debaters.

We will award the top 6 speakers and every outround in PF and LD. For policy, we will award the top 3 speakers and outrounds.

Sweepstakes will be awarded to the top three teams.

Judges who have proven themselves to be excellent and educational will be awarded an Acumen Award. Students will vote on judges for this award. The link will be sent day of tournament.

Judging & Fees

1-6 Congress Entries = 1 Judge

1-2 LD, PF, CX Entries = 1 Judge

Judges are obligated for one round past their team's elimination.

Missing judges cost \$200. Judge hires cost \$200. \$15 dollar judge hire fee for Congress (per debater).

Entry Fees -

\$25 = PF, LD, and CX

\$20 = Congress

Nuisance fees are TBD.

Inclusiveness Policies

Please report any discriminatory behavior or harassment immediately so the situation can be dealt with appropriately. Please contact Colten White if you have any equity related questions or concerns.