

# **WolfCub Invitational & Big Wave Dave Invitational**

## **April 11, 2026**

### **Hosted at Claremont High School**

Hello Speech and Debate Coaches,

Please accept our cordial invitation to Claremont High School's WolfCub Invitational AND Big Wave Dave Invitational on April 12, 2026. WolfCub is a premier competition opportunity for middle school and upper elementary-age students (Grades 4-8). The tournament is a great warm-up to CHSSA Middle School State! Big Wave Dave is an excellent last-minute tune-up for CHSSA State! We are excited to host you and your students on the beautiful campus of Claremont High School. Below you will find all of the specific details relating to the TWO tournament. **We are pleased to again provide a free lunch to all competitors along with cake and ice cream prior to Awards.** If you have any questions, please contact me via email at: chamberlainofchs@gmail.com.

### **WolfCub Events and Divisions**

We will offer 2 patterns. Students may enter one event in Pattern A (Debate/Congress) and up to two events in Pattern B (Speech) with the following exception: A student entering Extemporaneous or SPAR may only enter one Pattern B event. To clarify, students may enter up to three events: consisting of one debate/Congress event and two speech events. All debate entrants will have four rounds of competition, with a break to the final round if warranted. Congress entries will have three sessions and a final. Speech will consist of three rounds of competition with the winners determined from those scores. All competitors and judges must have a linked Tabroom account to participate.

### **WolfCub Pattern A Debate Events: (We will feature 4 debates events)**

**1. Public Forum Debate:** We will use the April PF topic (Varsity High School Topic) and CHSSA rules.

Resolved: The United States should eliminate the President's authority to deploy military forces abroad without Congressional approval.

**2. Lincoln-Douglas Debate:** We will use the March/April LD Topic (Varsity High School Topic) and CHSSA rules.

Resolved: The United States military ought to abide by the principle of non-intervention.

3. **WolfCub Parliamentary Debate:** We will use our own unique hybrid of CHSSA and MSPDP Parliamentary formats. Teams may consist of either 2 or 3 debaters addressing a mix of prepared and spontaneous rounds. (Spontaneous round resolutions will be released 20 minutes prior to the round. During the 20 minutes of preparation time, students may consult the internet and prep with their team and coaches.) Topic areas for Parliamentary Debate will be posted on Tabroom by March 20. A full description of rules will be available on Tabroom.

4. **Student Congress:** We will feature both middle school and elementary divisions. The divisions will be collapsed into one division if either does not reach 14 entries. We will follow CHSSA rules with Presiding Officers provided. We will use direct examination for questioning, with 30 seconds time blocks for two students during each questioning period. Legislation will be released by March 20.

5. **Policy Debate:** We are happy to offer middle school Policy Debate which will run on its own schedule. Note: Students entered in Policy Debate may not enter any other event.

### **WolfCub Pattern B Speech Events: (We will feature 12 speech events)**

We will follow CHSSA guidelines for the Speech events. However, Prose, Poetry, and Storytelling will use NSDA rules and SPAR and Tall Tales will use Claremont Rules, found on the tournament website. Students may enter up to two speech events in Pattern B. If entry numbers are low, similar events may be combined. In Speech, we are offering the following Events and Divisions:

**Middle School Speech Events:** Original Oratory, Impromptu, Dramatic Interpretation, Humorous Interpretation, Poetry Interpretation, mixed Extemporaneous, Declamation, SPAR , Duo Interpretation, Informative, Storytelling, and Tall Tales.

**Elementary Speech Events:** Storytelling, Impromptu, SPAR and Tall Tales

### **WolfCub Awards and Recognition**

Speech events with 10 or fewer entries will receive awards for the Top 4 entries. Speech events with 11 or more entries will receive awards for the top 6 entries. All students who advance to the final round of Student Congress will receive awards. The top 8 teams/competitors in each debate division will receive awards unless the total entry field is fewer than 16. In this instance, we will award the top 4 in those divisions. We will present awards to the top speakers in partnered debate events. There will be Individual Sweepstakes awards (**The Wolf Cub Warrior Award**) given to the overall top 3 individual competitors. We will also award Team Sweepstakes (**The Wolf Cub Cup**) to the top three schools/programs.

## **Big Wave Dave Events and Divisions**

We will offer two patterns of CHSSA events with a few fun and new events for your students to try! Bring your State Qualifiers to tune up for James Logan State and bring everyone else to sharpen skills while enjoying some fun competition! In the Debate pattern, students may enter one debate event and in the Speech pattern students may enter two events. In addition to the CHSSA events (sans Congress & Policy) We are offering World Schools Debate (3-5 person teams), SPAR and Tall Tales! These are fun events which hone both spontaneous and public speaking skills. All debate events are guaranteed three rounds of competition with a final, and all speech events will enjoy three rounds of competition with the winners calculated from those scores.

World Schools resolutions will be centered around the CHSSA State Congress topic areas to effectuate meaningful research for your Congress qualifiers and they will be released by March 15th. LD will use the March/April Varsity topic, and PF will use the April Varsity topic.

## **Big Wave Dave Awards and Recognition**

Our philosophy has always been to recognize as many students as possible with awards. This year we will continue in that spirit. We will present awards in each event, appropriate to entry numbers.

## **Entry Procedure and Fees for both Tournaments**

All tournament entries will be handled through Tabroom.com. The deadline to add entries on the website will be Thursday, April 9th at 11:55 pm. Any “Adds” after this deadline may be considered via email ([chamberlainofchs@gmail.com](mailto:chamberlainofchs@gmail.com)).

Judges must be entered by Thursday, April 9th at 11:55 pm. Any Judge Hire Requests must be made by Monday, April 6th at 11:55pm.

Drops may be made online without penalty until 11:55 pm Thursday, April 9th. At 11:55 pm on Thursday April 9<sup>th</sup> the online entry will be frozen and invoices will be locked. Schools are responsible for payment of all registered entries as of this time. We hope this gives you plenty of time to manage your entry. Any drops after this deadline will still be charged the regular entry fee. Any changes after this deadline may be requested via email.

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**The entry fee for each student in attendance is \$40.** This entry fee covers up to three events! **This fee also includes lunch, with cake and ice cream for all competitors before awards!**

Entry fees may be paid via PayPal at: ([paypal.me/ChamberlainDeb8](https://www.paypal.me/ChamberlainDeb8)) Or by check payable to “CHS-ASB” and mailed to: David Chamberlain, Claremont High School, 1601 North Indian Hill Blvd. Claremont CA 91711 or presented at morning registration.

## **Judges and Chaperones**

Schools must provide one judge for every two (2) entries in debate, and one judge for every five (5) entries in Congress or Speech. Judges MAY cover both debate and speech commitments at the tournament. (Note: This is a generous provision, but your judges must understand that they will be providing a full and robust day of judging since they are covering both patterns.) Judges who are signed up for debate should expect to judge any debate/Congress event, and the same with speech judges. Mature 11th or 12th grade high school students with at least two years forensics competition experience may judge at the WolfCub. All Judges at Big Wave Dave must be out of high school for at least one full year. Schools may choose to purchase judge commitments at a rate of \$150 per hired judge. In emergency situations, every coach of record should be willing to judge if needed. All judges must have a linked Tabroom account that includes their phone number

All schools and programs must have an identified Coach/Adult Chaperone on campus, and available for immediate contact at all times during the tournament. They are preferably the person who is listed as the Contact for the school on Tabroom. **All programs are required to have the Person of Record physically check in and verify their contact information before the first round begins. This person must remain on campus all day.** Failure to check in could lead to drops. Individual students should not go to registration, only the Coach/Adult Chaperone for the entire program.

# Wolfcub-Big Wave Dave Invitational Schedule

## Saturday, April 11

<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>Team Registration in 800 Quad</b>	
8:00 AM	Debate Pattern	Round 1
<i>8:30 AM</i>	<i>Policy Debate</i>	<i>Round 1</i>
9:30 AM	Speech Pattern	Round 1
<i>10:30 AM</i>	<i>Policy Debate</i>	<i>Round 2</i>
11:00 AM	Debate Pattern	Round 2
<b>12:00-1:30</b>	<b>LUNCH (Free to all competitors!)</b>	
<i>12:30 PM</i>	<i>Policy Debate</i>	<i>Round 3</i>
1:00 PM	Debate Pattern	Round 3
2:30 PM	Speech Pattern	Round 2
<i>3:00 PM</i>	<i>Policy Debate</i>	<i>Round 4</i>
4:00 PM	Debate Pattern	Round 4 (Congress Finals)
<i>5:00 PM</i>	<i>Policy Debate</i>	<i>Finals</i>
5:30 PM	Speech Pattern	Round 3
<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Cake and Ice Cream</b>	<b>Wolfpack Cafe</b>
7:00 PM	Debate Pattern	Finals
<b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>Awards</b>	<b>300 MPR</b>