

OSSAA 5A/6A State Speech & Debate

TCC Southeast Campus
10300 E 81st St, Tulsa, OK 74133

Congratulations on qualifying students for the state competition!

Registration will be on the first floor of Building 9, the Student Union. Please DO NOT ARRIVE before 2:30 on Thursday, April 16. There are two large cafeteria-like areas where students may gather: one on the first floor of the Union (where registration will be), and one on the second floor of the same building. There are also seating areas throughout the buildings where students can hang out.

Students will need to travel from building to building on the second floor for the most part. Most exterior doors need badges to open, so if they go outside, they risk being locked out. Safe spaces for stormy weather are located on the first floor of building 7 (marked "Area of Refuge") and in the auditorium on the first floor of building 9, right off the gathering space.

This document holds much of the information you'll need. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me!

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REGISTRATION

The deadline to enter is March 31. You must enter online at both www.ossaaspeech.com *AND* at <http://56okstate.tabroom.com>. Judges may be entered on tabroom until Monday, April 13, at 6:00 PM.

JUDGE REQUIREMENTS

In CX, 1 judge for 2 cross-examination teams, 2 judges for 3 teams, 3 judges for 4 teams, 4 judges for 5 teams, 5 judges for 6 teams, 6 judges for 7 teams, and continue the same for all above 7 teams.

In LD & PF, 1 judge for every 2 Public Forum or Lincoln-Douglas entries or portion thereof.

In IEs, 1 judge for every 5 IE entries or portion thereof.

Coaches will be expected to judge. Required judges must be available 75% of all rounds. Required debate judges that do not pick up assigned ballots for the quarter-final, semi-finals and final rounds of the state tournament a \$100 fine per missed round will be assessed per ballot missed.

Schools must provide judges one round past their school's elimination, so you must supply judges for final rounds.

SCRIPTS

Please submit DIGITAL COPIES of Oratories and Informative [HERE](#) before the competition begins. Please include your school's name as the FIRST WORD in the name of the file. For instance, OOLOGAHStudentLastNameOO or OOLOGAHStudentLastNameINFO.

All other scripts should be formatted according to the rules in the manual. [Here](#) is an example of a Humorous Duet script with the typed introduction and all lines performed highlighted. Be sure to bring your prepared copies of scripts (highlighted with original introductions, transitions, and conclusions typed). The script must be available if any protest is filed. Failure to have the script in the proper format may lead to disqualification.

BALLOTS

Ballots will be online.

Judges should check in with the judges' check-in/helpdesk on the first floor of the Student Union (Building 9) when they arrive on campus.

Please hit start on the ballot when it appears on your dashboard. Judges who have not started their ballots within 10 minutes of the scheduled round will be replaced and their school fined.

TIMING Updated April 10, 2026 @ 9:45 AM

Judges are the **official** timekeepers and should keep and record time for EVERY performance. Judges should not ask contestants or audience members to keep time for them. Contestants may keep their own time, and audience members may give silent time signals. In debate, partners may give verbal time signals to each other, but other types of verbal prompting are considered unethical. (See rules for each event in the manual, including XI I 8 SPE 19 and XI K 9 SPE 23). The time rules from IX A-C SPE 10 appear at the bottom of each IE ballot.

TAB ROOM AND RESULTS

The tab room will be closed to those not involved in tabulation.

Ballots will be available to coaches after each round. Preliminary IE results will be released to coaches at “the show” at 12:30 PM on Saturday. The finals tabulation will be available for 30 minutes after the awards so coaches may check results. Mistakes cannot be corrected after 9:00 a.m. on the Tuesday following the tournament.

SCHEDULE

A schedule can be found at the end of this document. *Please note: Poetry has been split. 6A Poetry is Pattern A; 5A Poetry is Pattern B.*

All debaters will do 4 pre-set preliminary rounds with one judge in each round. Quarters, Semis, and Finals will have 3 judges.

All IEs will do 3 preliminary rounds with 2 judges in each round. Finals will have 3 judges.

WIFI

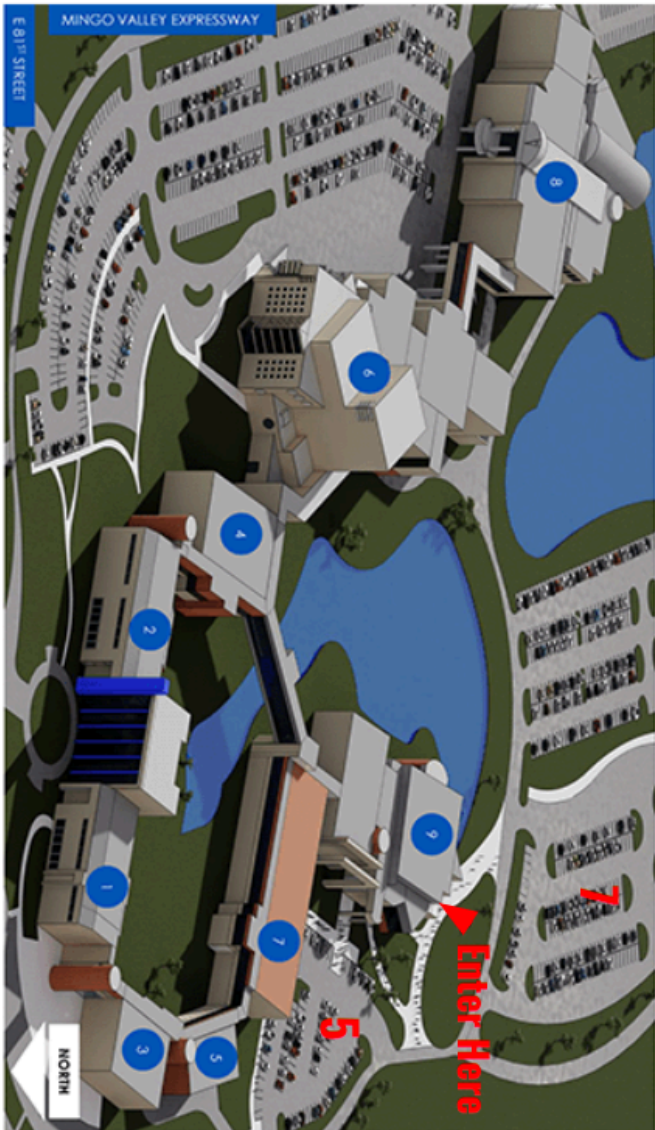
There is a guest network at TCC. More information will be provided on-site.

FOOD

There are no dining options on campus, and there will be no judges’ lounge. Please plan ahead.

PARKING AND MAPS

Southwest Campus Map



- 1 COMMUNICATIONS
- 2 STUDENT SUCCESS AND CAREER CENTER
- 3 COMMUNICATIONS AND LIBERAL ARTS
- 4 BUSINESS/LIBERAL ARTS/TESTING CENTER
- 5 PHYSICAL PLANT
- 6 VANTREASE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER FOR EDUCATION (PACE)
- 7 COMMUNICATIONS, LIBERAL ARTS & LIBRARY
- 8 SCIENCE/MATHEMATICS/ HEALTH SCIENCES/ BIOTECHNOLOGY
- 9 STUDENT UNION

PARKING AND MAPS (continued)

You may park in any lot, but the ones marked “7” and “5” are most convenient.

Registration, the tab room, and postings will be on the first floor of the Student Union (Building 9).

Rounds will be held in the buildings in the red rectangles. Go from building to building on the 2nd floor — if you go outside on the first floor, some entrances require a TCC badge for reentry.

Room numbers are formatted thusly: the first digit is the building and the second digit is the floor. So 9101 is on the first floor of Building 9. 4202 will be on the second floor of Building 4.

Storm shelters are on the first floor of Building 7 and are marked “Areas of Refuge”. There is also a storm shelter on the first floor of Building 9, Room 9101.

Extemp draw will be in room 9101.

2026 OSSAA SPEECH AND DEBATE SCHEDULE

Pattern A: DX DI FX HI 6APO PR INFO Pattern B: DD HD MO OO SO POI 5APO

THURSDAY APRIL 16:

3:00 PM: Debate Rd 1

5:00 PM: Debate Rd 2

7:00 PM: Debate Rd 3

9:00 PM: Debate Rd 4

FRIDAY APRIL 17:

8:00 AM: Debate Rd 5 QUARTER-FINALS

10:00 AM: Debate Rd 7 SEMI- FINALS

10:45 AM: *coaches meeting* 1st floor of Bldg. 9/Student Union

12:00 PM: Debate Rd 8 FINALS

1:30 PM: Speech Rd 1A (Draw @ 1:00)

3:30 PM: Speech Rd 1B

5:30 PM: Speech Rd 2A (Draw @ 5:00)

7:30 PM Speech 2B

SATURDAY APRIL 18:

9:00 AM: Speech 3A (Draw 9:00)

10:30 AM: Speech 3B

1:30 PM: Speech Rd A FINALS

3:00 PM: Speech Rd B FINALS

5:30 PM: Awards @ Van Trease PACE