

Dearest High School Forensics Enthusiasts!

You are cordially invited to take part in the 10th Stephen Stewart Memorial Middle and High School Invitational at Milpitas High School. This event will take place **Friday, September 25th, through Sunday, September 27th, 2026**. We welcome all competitors in grades six and up. This speech and debate competition will be held in person at Milpitas High School in Milpitas, California. We are committed to providing you with a professional atmosphere and a spirited competitive experience.

We are pleased to announce that the Quarter-Finalists in Varsity Public Forum will earn a Gold Bid to the Tournament of Champions in Kentucky. Octo-Finalists in Varsity Public Forum will earn a silver bid. UKTOC speech bids will be awarded in DI, Duo, Extemp (both DX and IX), HI, Info, POI, IMP(pending) and OO. We expect NPDL bids to Parli TOC are allocated based on size of entry. In addition, we will award bids to NIETOC in DI, HI, Extemp (both DX and IX), DUO, POI, Informative, and OO.

We will be using the online entry system available at www.milpitas.Tabroom.com. **Registration is currently open. All entries will be initially waitlisted** to ensure equal access to the tournament. **Waitlists clear when Judging is entered OR fees are received.** Every judge must have a Tabroom.com account linked to their email and a valid phone number for a phone they will have access to during the tournament. We encourage early registration, so that you may take advantage of this opportunity and ensure your attendance to the tournament. Unfortunately, Varsity entries are limited; therefore, we will have to turn away entries once our room capacity is met. Varsity debates are initially capped at 60(120 in Open PF) to ensure deserving teams break to Double-Octofinals(trips). Policy will initially be capped at 60. **The deadline to register is Friday, September 18th at 11:00 PM (PDT) so I can plan food.** Teams may be added after the deadline, depending on space availability. We will pull entries from the waiting list as spots become available.

Teams are expected to provide qualified judging. **Judge hires are done requested per ENTRY COVERED, NOT per judge. When you pay for a judge, it covers one entry.**

All students must have a chaperon on campus at all times. If you are not here as an accredited school please refer to the independent entry form. Independent entries will be charged \$50 per "organization" (not per entry).

There are many affordable hotels in the area that offer you choices in accommodations. Hotel information will be available one month before the tournament. Food will be available on campus during the weekend so that your students, coaches, staff, family, and friends will not have to leave the tournament. Debate, congress and speech competitors **and** judges will be provided on Saturday and Sunday(dinner on Friday for Varsity).

On behalf of the coaches, students, and parents of Milpitas High School Speech and Debate Team, you are encouraged to join us and we look forward to experiencing the Stephen Stewart together!

Sincerely,
Charles Schletzbaum
Director of Forensics
Milpitas High School

Sarah Sherwood
Tournament Director

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Decorum

This tournament is an educational activity that you, your students, and your judges participate in. We expect everyone to treat themselves and others with respect and dignity throughout the tournament. Additionally, the tournament has the following rules related to Decorum:

- In debate rounds, there should be no communication between a competitor and judge between the end of the round and the RFD, except about prep time. Students will not ask questions about decisions until the judge has submitted their ballot. Judges will not ask questions about arguments or speeches, with the exception of asking to see evidence, until decisions are submitted and confirmed.
- In Speech rounds and Congressional Debate, no request for verbal feedback should happen until the end of the tournament.
- No audio or video recording of any person for any reason is allowed at this tournament. This includes recording for AI summary purposes during or after the round. California is a 2 party state, and parental permission must be obtained in private settings like a classroom.

We reserve the right to remove people we deem unsafe from the campus for the safety of the students and the liability of the host.

Further, several college and high school hosts in the last couple of years have had to cut entries or go permanently online because of misuse of facilities. Coaches, competitors, judges, and observers absolutely must treat classrooms with respect. This includes not entering any off-limit spaces, not moving any furniture within any classroom or competition space, not erasing any white board content, not unplugging any device

that is currently plugged into an outlet, and cleaning up after yourselves and your team in every space you enter within the school. We would like to keep hosting and growing this tournament for years to come. We need in-person locations to host in-person tournaments, and your actions directly contribute to our ability to continue and grow this tournament.

Supervision Requirements

Each school must be accompanied by a qualified adult supervisor who is physically at the tournament site and reachable at all times. No unaccompanied entries will be permitted. Non School entities will use the INDEPENDENT ENTRY form on the last page of the Invitation. This must be brought to the tournament director if you are an independent entry/academy to show that your on site chaperon has signed permission enough to put a student in an ambulance if an accident/illness occurred. The tournament does not need this private information itself, but it does need to verify these forms are on site for each “independent entry”/”Academy entry”. This does not apply to schools with principal/district/headmaster approved chaperons and their own medical form procedures. Varsity debate judges cannot cover speech entries. All schools and programs must be “accompanied” by an adult reachable by phone, **PHYSICALLY ON SITE**, and must remain under adult supervision throughout the tournament. No exceptions! If your student(s) are unsupervised, we reserve the right to remove your entries from the tournament for liability reasons with no refund.

Events / Divisions

In debate, we offer Open Division of Congressional Debate, and both Novice and Open divisions in Parliamentary, Novice and Open LD, and Novice and Open Public Forum and Open CX. We will use the Sept./Oct. LD topic and the Sept./Oct PF topic and the current Policy topic. Open debate events will make every attempt to break all winning records up to a full double-octofinal round. **WE DO NOT USE THE NSDA NOVICE TOPICS!!!!**

In speech we offer Open divisions in all CHSSA events including: Dramatic Interpretation, Humorous Interpretation, Declamation, Programmed Oral Interpretation (POI), Duo Interpretation, Original Oratory, Original Advocacy, Informative(formerly Expository), Original Prose & Poetry (not to be confused with prose/poetry), Impromptu, Domestic Extemporaneous, and International Extemporaneous.

Speech shall have three (3) Preliminary Rounds and will advance to up to two (2) Elimination Rounds dependent on entry size per event:

- Events with fewer than 7 entries shall not have a Final Round
- Events with 8 - 24 entries shall advance directly to a Final Round
- Events with 25 - 49 entries shall advance to a Semifinal Round and then a Final Round

- Events with 50 - 59 entries shall advance to a Semifinal Round of at least three sections and then a Final Round
- Events with 60 - 85 entries shall advance to a Quarterfinal Round of at least four sections, and then a Semifinal Round
- Events with 86 - 119 entries shall advance to a Quarterfinal Round of at least five sections and then a Semifinal Round
- Events with 120 or more entries shall advance to an Octofinal Round of at least eight sections and then a Quarterfinal Round
- Breaks, breakpoints, and the above entry size break levels are subject to change given drops and shall be finalized prior to the day of the Tournament.
- In addition, breaks shall attempt to maximize the number of NIETOC and UKTOC Bids earned per event.

Eligibility / Novices

- Open: Open to all competitors.
- Novice: Open to all competitors who are debating their first year in the type of event (Speech/ Debate) they are entered in. In Teamed events, BOTH team members must meet this qualification. Any competitor in 7th and 6th grade can compete as a novice. 8th graders in their second year or less can debate novice. Any student in their third academic year of forensics or higher must go varsity. Entries younger than 6th grade will not be allowed.

Maverick Policy

In the PF TOC Division and CX, Mavericks will not be allowed to enter. If circumstances prevent one partner from debating, they will receive a forfeit. This team may forfeit up to two rounds, but may still clear IF both competitors can debate in elimination rounds. In Novice, One Maverick per program is allowed to compete. In Parliamentary, Consistent with Parli TOC, a Maverick can still debate, but cannot clear to elims if the maverick exists more than 2 rounds. Tab will change the non speaking partner to zero speaks.

Waitlist and Confirming Registrations

Fees paid in advance will move your registration from “wait list” to “confirmed” status. **Please mail your checks by Friday, September 11th, 2026. If you cannot mail a check by this time I will have an online payment through square. There will be a 4% transaction fee for online transactions.** Teams are welcome to bring checks to registration, but priority will be given to teams who mail in payment ahead of the tournament. **Teams will move off the waitlist when you enter judges to cover your entry or when payment is received.**

Dates / Deadlines

- Add Entries: September 18, 2026
- Fees Frozen: September 22, 2026 at 11 PM

- Manual drop deadline: September 22, 2026 at 5 PM
- Judge Entries by: September 22, 2026 at 6 PM
- Judge Hire Requests: September 13, 2026
- Appropriately proportioned team Strikes open in PF/CX (Based on field size): September 23, 2026 at 5 PM
- Change and drop fees: September 22, 2026
- Adds: We operate on a “first come, first serve” basis until September 18th and we will probably fill all space at the tournament. As a result, each school should send in its entries as soon as possible.
- Drops: The deadline to drop without penalty will be Tuesday, September 22nd at 5:00 PM.
 - Drops after this point will be charged the regular entry fee due to our commitments to Ordering food and room allocations from the school district.
 - You may continue making drops online until 5:00 PM on Tuesday, September 22nd. This helps us save time at registration.
- Judges: The deadline to register judges is September 22nd at 6:00 PM.

Judges / Judging Obligations

School Judges: Please register judges accurately. Because we will be using entirely electronic ballots in debate it is important that judge registration be accurate. Any attempts to circumvent judge registration processes will result in your team being waitlisted and those spots being given to other teams.

The deadline to register judges is also Tuesday, September 22nd at 6:00 PM. If you do not have judges registered by this deadline, you will be charged for missing / hired judges regardless of whether you bring additional judges to the tournament. We will need time to finalize contracts with our hired judges. Saturday and Sunday judges need to be indicated on tabroom. There will be no AM/PM judge split. Varsity PF/LD needs 1 judge per 3 teams/entries. Parli needs 1 judge for each 3 teams. Policy needs 1 judge per 1.5 entries and Speech and Congress needs 1 for every 5 entries.

All VARSITY and SPEECH/CONGRESS judges must be **ADULTS** who have at minimum graduated High School qualified to judge the division which they are covering. Novice LD, Open and Novice Public Forum and Open and Novice Parli, and congress may be used in other events. Open PF and Policy judges **MUST** have a paradigm, and experience. Completing the NSDA Judge Accreditation is encouraged, but not mandatory.

<https://www.speechanddebate.org/learn/judge-accreditation/>

Speech judges will be used in all speech events.

Hired Judging: The tournament will also have a limited number of hired judges. If you wish to hire judges from the tournament, please submit hire requests on Milpitas.tabroom.com as soon as you are aware of your need. Hire requests must be in by Sunday, September 13th at 11PM.

Please note that hired judge fees cannot be refunded after this point as we will have made payment commitments to our hires. Note that once you hire a judge, you are liable to pay for that request EVEN IF you find you do not need it as the tournament approaches. This rule applies even in the event your school decides not to attend the tournament at all; your school will still be responsible for any judge hire and relevant drop fees.

\$260 covers 1 **ENTRY** for varsity. \$120 covers 1 novice **ENTRY**. Hired judging for Speech/congress is 55\$ per uncovered entry. No hired judging fees will be refunded, even if you drop the entry/entries that the hired judge is covering.

Part Time Judges: If you will be having different judges on different days, please register all judges, and mark each one as Unavailable for the day that they will not be in attendance. Remember a full open debate judge covers Fri-Sat-Sun (even if that is 3 different people)

Elim Commitment: All speech/Congress judges are committed for all speech/Congress rounds.

In regards to Varsity Debate elimination rounds, all judges are obligated to judge the first FULL elimination round AND one round beyond their last school's best competitive finish. Whichever requirement is later will apply. For example, if your school has a competitor in the octafinals, then your school's judges are all obligated through the quarterfinals. This rule is necessary to ensure the best panels for elimination debates. Please make appropriate logistical arrangements that honor these requirements.

Judge Prefs and Strikes

- Judge Philosophy Guidelines: All Varsity judges should have a judge philosophy posted on their Tabroom.com account.
- All varsity judges must be entered and have judge philosophies posted at this point for a school to have the privilege of judge preferences/strikes for ALL of their varsity competitors. Failure to have a tabroom paradigms for all your judges results in preferences / strikes being ignored.
- **Varsity PF Teams will be allowed up to a maximum of 5 strikes. CX will have whatever is appropriate to the size of the field.**
- Preferences/ strikes will be available at Milpitas.tabroom.com on Wednesday, September 23rd, 2025 at 5 PM. Prefs and strikes will close on Thursday, September 24th at 9:00 PM.
- **Paradigms that offer more speaker points for food or arcane knowledge/references of old tv and movies will not be tolerated.** Paradigms that recruit, or require children to email 3rd parties will not be tolerated. Coaches please police your judges' paradigms.

Penalty for Missing Rounds

Please note there is a \$50 per round penalty for any judges that miss their rounds. Please advise your judging staff that the team will be charged if they do not attend their debate rounds. We prefer not to charge any teams for missing debate rounds and this nuisance fee is only

assessed to discourage judges from missing debates to ensure a high quality experience for all competitors. Please ensure your judges who do not currently have a ballot report to the Judges Lounge 15 minutes before the posted round start. They will be dismissed when we start all rounds. If your judge is called for in the Judges' Lounge while pushing ballots, you may be fined if they do not answer.

Financial Information / Entry Fees

Fees may be paid by mail or by requesting a SQUARE invoice. All fees should be in the form of square credit card payment or a check made out to Milpitas High School. School checks and Square are the only acceptable forms of payment without prior approval. All SQUARE transactions will have a 4% processing fee.

Please mail checks to:
Milpitas Debate
C/o Mr. Charles Schletzbaum, Milpitas High School
1285 Escuela Parkway
Milpitas, CA 95035

Make the check to "MUSD"

Entry fees include 1 meal per scheduled day. Entry fees on drops will be refunded fully as long as drops are made by September 15th. Drops AFTER this time are not refundable. Note: processing refunds through the Milpitas Student Bank is likely to take a painfully long time.

- School Fee: \$50/school
- Independent Entry/Non school surcharge \$50/"Institution"
- Varsity LD: \$100/entry (all Varsity entry fees include dinner on Friday and Lunch on Saturday and Sunday)
- Novice LD: \$75/entry
- Varsity Public Forum: \$155/entry
- Varsity Parliamentary: \$135/entry
- Varsity Policy \$165/entry
- Novice PF / Parli: \$90/entry
- Open Congress: \$35/entry
- IEs: \$40/entry
- Duo: \$55/entry

Non-refundable Fees:

- Varsity Debate Hired Judge Fee - \$260 / per uncovered Varsity Entry
- Novice Debate Hired Judge Fee - \$120 / per uncovered Novice Entry
- Speech / Congress Hired Judge Fee - \$55 / per uncovered Entry
- Missing Judge Penalty - \$50 / per judge per missed round
- Nuisance Penalty - \$10 (any changes to entry after 9/15/22 at 5PM (PT))
 - Note: failing to request a hire/cover a judge incurs the higher missing judge fee

If there is a financial hardship, or you are a member of a UDL please contact the Tournament

and Tab Director. **Entry fees must be paid by registration.**

Entry Caps

Due to the number of elimination rounds in the schedule, we are capable of accommodating a large, but not unlimited number of competitors. **Initially, Schools will be restricted to 6 entries in each division of debate and 6 entries in each IE event to allow for maximum diversity of schools at the Stephen Stewart Invitational. We will waitlist additional entries and allow them in as room availability allows.** Please rank your waitlist entries on who gets entered first. Novice entries from one school will be restricted to max 10% of the field in each novice event. Initial cap will be 60 in each Varsity event (120 in PF) to ensure most winning records break to Doubles. If the waitlist grows too large, we will try our best to accommodate one more elim round that will be double flighted.

Please do not enter debaters just to hold slots; be mindful of the needs of other schools. Teams and individual entries are only officially entered after the tournament administrator has removed them from the waitlist. Registration in each division will close when we reach our room capacity, so waitlist and pay/enter judges early.

Independent Entry Policy

Independent entries that meet the criteria listed in the section titled "Independent Entries." Any independent entry that fails to meet the deadlines or criteria listed will not be allowed to enter or compete in the tournament. Any payment made by any independent entry that drops or fails to meet the set deadlines or criteria will not be refunded. Private Academies need to contact the tournament director for approval. All registration, entry, and tabulation will be done via tabroom.com. Please make sure that any judge accompanying your team has a Tabroom account set up and linked.

All students are expected to abide by Milpitas High School's code of conduct, to respect MHS officials and tournament staff, and generally to behave responsibly.

Double Entry

Novice Students: May enter up to three events; consisting of one debate event and two speech events. Exceptions:

1. A Novice student entering Extemp, may only single enter in the speech events; but may still enter one debate event.

Varsity Students: May enter one debate event and up to 2 speech events. Exceptions:

1. Students may enter both Parliamentary and Extemp, but additional prep time will not be given if one of the patterns is running behind. **Enter at your own risk.**
2. Please keep in mind that Round 1 of Speech is concurrent with Elimination rounds of Varsity competition. Double-entered varsity competitors will be placed in Flight B of their

Sunday Elim, and placed early in their speech round for round 1 IF rounds are double flighted. Double entered students should compete in their speech event, and then proceed to their debate round.

3. The coach of a competitor who qualifies to advance in a varsity Debate may be required to choose the event in which the competitor will continue if they are double-entered in speech as well. We will do our best to accommodate these students so long as we can remain on schedule.
4. Entering in both extemps will not be feasible given our time constraints.

Students who double enter are responsible for getting to their rounds on time. Please note that double entry IS AT YOUR OWN RISK.

Speech / Congress Rules

NSDA rules will be followed as closely as possible for all NSDA events; CHSSA guidelines will be used for the remaining speech events, subject to review by the tournament committee. One notable exception – final placement in speech and congress will be determined by total cumulative score for the whole tournament.

Congress: If numbers warrant a final, we will advance at least 12 competitors to Congress Finals. There will be no presiding officer contest in Congress. Presiding officers will be elected from the chamber and be given speaking priority in line with NSDA guidelines. Please send Congressional legislation to Charles Schletzbaum at the tournament contact email address. Congress legislation will be posted approximately 3 weeks prior to the Tournament.

Debate Rules

Starting with Round 3, all prelim rounds will be power-matched. The 16 individuals/teams with the best win-loss record in the Open Division will advance to the Octofinal elimination round. Brackets will not be broken in eliminations. If entries warrant, a double-octofinal will be held to break the maximum number of winning records. In divisions approaching 100, a partial triple will be held if 10 or more entries would be left behind in a double.

Tournament Committee: The tournament committee will consist of the tournament director and two directors from other events. The committee will adjudicate any disputes and interpret all rules. Decisions made by the tournament committee are final.

Technology: All teams may use technology, but MUST NOT communicate with coaches or team members outside the round. Parli may not use anything other than timers/airplane mode cellphone timers in round, and cases must be written on paper, not be read off of laptops or other digital devices. Parli teams may use the internet or consult with teammates during prep time, but no judges, parents, or other non-student adults should help students. Appointed staff may clarify basic rules. Recording your opponents using AI is a violation of the previously

mentioned rule against recording minors without their parents consent.

Lincoln Douglas

- **The Lincoln Douglas debate topic will be the Sep/Oct NSDA topic for BOTH Varsity and Novice divisions.** We DO NOT use the NSDA novice topic.
- Lincoln-Douglas will include varsity and novice divisions, with NSDA rules and time limits. While LD does not explicitly follow CHSSA rules, history and the judging pool does lean toward the lay.
- There will be five preliminary rounds in varsity LD with an appropriate number of break rounds determined by the entry size. Novice LD will have five rounds, and will award winning records.
- **Varsity Judging:** We encourage you to bring experienced LD judges to judge in the varsity division. "Experienced" is defined as at least a high school graduate who has competitive or coaching experience with LD debate or has significant LD judging experience. Inability to provide experienced judges may limit a team's entry and/or require a team to hire judges to fulfill their obligation. All varsity judges are required to post their judge philosophies on tabroom.com by the preferences deadline. We would like every school that wants to participate to do so; however, we require the best possible judging to ensure students have a positive competitive experience. If a school does not have experienced judges to fulfill their commitments, please contact Charles Schletzbaum at mrschletz@gmail.com.
- **Novice Judging:** Adults as well as HS Seniors who are 3rd or 4th year varsity debaters are eligible to judge in the novice divisions. Coaches/Directors are responsible for ensuring that any varsity debaters are knowledgeable and responsible enough to fairly assess a novice debate round. These judges should be noted on tabroom judge notes. Under no circumstances should a student judge be judging Varsity.
- **Hired Judging for Lincoln-Douglas Debate:** There will be a limited number of LD judges available for hire. Note that once you hire a judge, you are liable to pay for that request EVEN IF you find you do not need it as the tournament approaches. You must email Charles Schletzbaum at mrschletz@gmail.com by September 17th at 11:55 pm (PT) to hire judges. Judging is available for \$250 / **entry(not judge obligation)**.

Public Forum

- **Will use the Sep/Oct topic. We do NOT use the NSDA novice topic.**
- All PF will flip for side and speaker order in both Prelims and Elims.
- NSDA time limits will be utilized. 3 minute summaries, 3 minutes of prep.
- Evidence challenges should be adjudicated by the judge in round, before the ballot is decided. Tab will only hear reports that involve the blatant refusal to provide evidence when asked, evidence fabrication or distortion, and/or the use of evidence created by AI.
 - Coaches should fill out the protest form after the round is concluded outlining

- what occurred.
 - Protests will only result in double losses, or in the most extreme cases, tournament disqualifications. But the decisions of the judge/judges will not be reversed.
 - The protests will be decided by three members of the tab staff, and all decisions will be final.
- Only HS debaters in their first year of competition, eighth graders in their 1st or 2nd year, and any 6th or 7th grader, may enter the novice division.

Parliamentary

- Internet Prep will be allowed, but competitors may not consult with anyone other than their partner. There will be no coach prep. Students may not debate from their laptops.

World Schools

- Only an Almanac and a Dictionary can be used for prep.
- Friday will be prepared motions. R3, R4, R6 and Finals will be impromptu.
- Three team members will be used per round. Up to all 5 team members are allowed to prep, but only 3 are allowed to participate in any individual round.
- (Subject to additions)

Topics for Extemp, Parli, Imp, and Congress Legislation

- We will be using the Sept./Oct NSDA Topic for ALL divisions of LD and PF.
- Parli topics will have topic areas announced 2 weeks prior to the tournament.
- Congress Legislation will be posted 3 weeks prior to the tournament
- Extemp Topic Areas will be posted prior to the Tournament.
- We invite the community to submit potential topics or topic areas for consideration and integration to the tournament. All topic selection decisions will be made by the tournament director. If you or your students would like to create congress resolutions, suggest Extemp topic areas, or submit Parli resolutions, please email all ideas to (mrschletz@gmail.com). Congress legislation must be received by September 2nd, 2026 so that the congress bills can be posted online approximately three weeks prior to the tournament. The deadline for Parli Topics and Extemp Topic Regions will be September 2, 2026. Legislation packets will be posted on the tabroom page by September 4th, 2026.

Awards

Individual Awards: Individual awards will be presented to all debaters advancing to the Double-Octofinals in debate events. All finalists in speech events and Congress will be presented awards. Novice will receive Trophies for 5-0, and medals for 4-1 records, and certificates for 3-2.

Speaker Awards: We will also award speaker awards for debaters. Top 5 speakers in each debate event will receive awards from the tab room. (Top 10 in Open PF)

Results: Results for each varsity debate round will be posted each round starting after Round 3. Please do not request to see results at the tab room unless you question the posted results. Novice debate, congress and speech results will be published after awards.

Schedule

ALL TIMES ARE Pacific Daylight Time Zone

Friday:

Noon: digital check in.

4:30PM: Parli Flight 1 topic release, Policy Round 1

5:00PM Varsity (PF,LD,PARLI,WORLDS[prepared]) and round 1

7:00PM Parli flight 1 topic release

7:30PM: Varsity (PF,LD,PARLI,WORLDS[prepared]), and Policy Round 2

Saturday:

8AM R1 ALL Novice Debates. R3, Varsity and Policy,PF,LD,Parli, Worlds Prep)

9AM Congress R1, Worlds R3

10AM R2 ALL Novice Debates. R4 Varsity

11:00AM R2 Policy R4 Worlds R4 Prep

12:00PM Congress R2 Worlds R4

1:00PM R3 Novice Debates. R5 Varsity(PF,LD,Parli)

2:00PM R5 Worlds

2:30PM Policy R5

3:30PM R4 Novice, Elim 1 for PF,VLD and Vpar. R6 VPF, Worlds R6 Prep

4:00PM Congress Finals

4:30PM Worlds R 6

5:30PM R6 Policy

6:00PM R5 Novice, Elim 2 for VLD, Vpar, Elim 1 for VPF 8PM or ASAP Novice Awards and congress: (judges willing) (REMEMBER ALL JUDGES ARE OBLIGATED FOR FIRST **FULL** BRACKET ELIM (Saturday morning open PF, but This round for many LD/Parli Judges)

6:30PM Worlds Elim 1

Sunday: (Note, If Debate Elims CAN be moved up, They will)

8:00AM IE R1 and Elim 3 for VLD, Vpar and Policy, Elim 2 for VPF

8:30AM World Elim 2 Prep

9:30AM Worlds Elim 2

10:00AM IE R2

11AM Elim 4 for VLD, Vpar and Policy, Elim 3 for VPF

11:30AM World Schools Elim 3 Prep

12:30PM Worlds Elim 3

1:00pm IE R3

1:30PM Elim 5 VLD, Vpar and Policy, Elim 4 for VPF

4pm IE Elim 1 VPF Finals.

6PM Elim 5 for VPF if round of 64 added and IE Elim 2

7:30PM Speech awards

Independent Entry Form

Parent Letter authorizing participation by independent entries
(template--copy/paste the text and fill in the blanks as appropriate):

Date _____

Dear Milpitas High School:

This letter is to inform you that we would like our child, _____, to attend The Stephen Stewart invitational from September 25th to September 27th 2026 and that she / he does so with our full consent and permission. We have arranged for our child to be fully chaperoned and for transportation to our satisfaction, and accept full responsibility and liability for our child during the entire course of the event. We understand and agree that Milpitas High School, its employees, and its agents provide no chaperones for the event, and further agree that Milpitas High School, its employees, and its agents are hereby relieved of any responsibility or liability of any sort for the supervision of our child.

The following person will be chaperoning our child:

Name: _____

Cell phone: _____

Relationship to our child: _____

By signing this we are certifying that we are in fact the legal guardians of the listed child, and have full legal authority to act on the listed child's behalf.

Parent Name

Parent Signature

Date

Parents' contact information:

Cell phone

Email

Child's insurance # _____ Medical Provider _____

This form will be required to be on the chaperon's person, and presentable to the tournament by the chaperon on request (preferably at the tab-room when the team first arrives at the tournament).