

Wilson Wyatt Debate League Championship Tournament Invitation – April 25, 2026 Hosted at Bellarmine University, Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Wilson Wyatt Debate League Community,

We are proud to invite you to the **Wilson Wyatt Debate League Championship Tournament**, hosted at Bellarmine University on April 25, 2026.

This tournament marks the culmination of our season. Schools in attendance have earned their place through their performances across league competitions this year, and we are excited to bring together the top competitors in our circuit for a day that reflects both a high level of competition and the community we have built together.

Tournament Schedule

Registration: 7:00–7:45 AM
Judge Training: 8:00 AM
Round 1: 8:30 AM
Round 2: 9:45 AM
Round 3: 11:00 AM
Lunch (provided by WWDL): 12:00–1:00 PM
Round 4: 1:00 PM
Semi-Finals: 2:30 PM
Finals: 4:00 PM

Extemp Draws will happen simultaneously with start of rounds. All Extemp debate students should report immediately to the library following the completion of the prior round unless otherwise instructed.

Events and Qualification

Competitors attending this tournament have been invited based on their performance throughout the Wilson Wyatt Debate League season. Entries are locked in for the following events:

- Lincoln-Douglas Debate
- Public Forum Debate
- Extemporaneous Debate

Congressional Debate will remain open entry, allowing additional students the opportunity to participate in the championship setting regardless of prior qualification. If you are a school who is interested in competing but did not receive an invitation, please send an email to psanchezvilla@wyattdebateleague.org for interest.

Topics

Lincoln-Douglas – March/April 2026 Topic

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

Public Forum – April 2026 Topic

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

Extemporaneous Debate

No set topic areas. Prompts will be drawn at the tournament.

Congress

Legislation will be drawn from the NSDA docket. Additional details will be available on Tabroom. Students can submit bills to psanchezvilla@wyattdebateleague.org with a deadline of April 17th 2025.

Championship Banquet and Awards

Following the conclusion of finals, we will host a championship banquet and awards ceremony to celebrate the season. Lunch will be provided during the day, and the banquet will take place shortly after finals. The Banquet will be held on site at Bellarmine. Please send an email if there are dietary restrictions we should be aware of. The hall for the banquet will open at 5:30PM with dinner served at 6PM and awards to start during the meal.

During the banquet, we will recognize individual and team accomplishments, including the presentation of the **Wilson Wyatt Traveling Trophy**.

We are grateful for the work you and your students have put in throughout the year and look forward to closing out the season together at Bellarmine University.

Best,

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