

Wilson Wyatt Debate League October Tournament Invitation

October 24, 2026 Hosted at Doss High School, Louisville, Kentucky

7601 St. Andrews Church Road, Louisville, KY 40214

Hello Everyone,

The entire Wilson & Anne Wyatt Debate league is excited to host our first major tournament of the year at Doss High School.

This tournament will be our first foray into new tournament setups for the Wyatt Debate League, an exciting way to kick off the year for returning teams and to bring all of our new school friends into our amazing community. This tournament will be hosted at a brand new school for Wyatt Debate League and we are thankful for Doss High School for this opportunity.

Tournament Schedule

Registration: 7:00–7:45 AM

Judge Training: 8:00 AM

Round 1 & Congress Session 1: 8:30 AM

Round 2: 9:45 AM

Round 3 & Congress Session 2: 11:00 AM

Lunch (provided by WWDL): 12:00–1:00 PM

Round 4 & Congress Session 3: 1:00 PM

Semi-Finals: 2:30 PM

Finals: 4:00 PM

Extemporaneous Debate Draws will happen simultaneously with start of rounds. All Extemporaneous Debate students should report immediately to the library following the completion of the prior round unless otherwise instructed. All entries in Lincoln-Douglas Novice will debate the novice topic regardless of school level.

Topics

Lincoln-Douglas –

September/October 2026 Topic:

Resolved: Outer Space Colonization is a moral imperative

Novice Topic:

Resolved: In the United States, national service ought to be mandatory.

Public Forum

September/October 2026 Topic

Resolved: The United States federal government should enact a moratorium on hyperscale data center construction.

Extemporaneous Debate

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

Congress

Legislation is posted on the Tabroom website and is compiled from NSDA and WWDL created bills. Students can submit bills to psanchezvilla@wyattdebateleague.org with a deadline of October 16th, 2026.

Changes to Student Competition Status.

Over the summer, the Board approved a major change to how students are registered for competitions. To better spur competition amongst grade levels and increase competition standards for students both younger and older, following are the changes. Students regardless of grade level will be entered into the novice debate level if it is their first year of debate competition. These students will be divided into middle and high school pools as numbers allow. Students below the 9th grade who are not in their first year of debate will be automatically enrolled in the Junior Varsity level of debate. Junior Varsity will be locked to only students below the 9th grade who are not in the novice level. Students from 9th – 12th grade who are not novices will be entered as Varsity students. We will be checking with coaches and adjusting prior to tournament start dates so please review and ensure students are entered accurately. For schools that are mixed grade-levels, please reach out for best advice for any public forum teams that could qualify in either pool. We will collapse as needed day of tournament.

Again, I am so excited to start this school year. This will be a great tournament led by our incredible Board and volunteers. If there are any questions, please reach out to me.

Best,

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