

Riverside STEM Middle School Public Forum/Congress Classic

Greetings Speech and Debate Coaches,

Riverside STEM Academy cordially invites you to attend our Public Forum/Congress Middle School Classic, which offers a unique opportunity to expose middle school students (grades 6-8) to some of the most popular categories of debate!

Below you will find all the specific information relating to the tournament. If you have any questions, please contact us at @rsaspeechanddebate.com. Thank you! We look forward to seeing you at the tournament - Apryl West / Speech and Debate Coach + High School Leadership Team.

WHY ATTEND??

- Student entry fee of just \$45 per student in Public Forum and \$30 per student in Congressional Debate!
- No school fee!
- Includes lunch!
- Schools only need to bring 2 judges, regardless of how many entries they bring.

There will also be a full snack and concession stand with a variety of food items available for purchase.

For this tournament, we will utilize the *December Public Forum* topic to be released.

A Public Forum Debate Guide can be found by clicking the link:

<http://www.chssa.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/CHSSAPFGuide.250162346.pdf>
Public Forum Time Limits:

Speaker 1	4 minutes (first speaker from team A)
Speaker 2	4 minutes (first speaker from team B)
Crossfire	3 minutes (between speakers 1 & 2)
Speaker 3	4 minutes (second speaker from team A)
Speaker 4	4 minutes (second speaker from team B)
Crossfire	3 minutes (between speakers 3 & 4)
Summary	2 minutes (first speaker from team A)
Summary	2 minutes (first speaker from team B)
Grand Crossfire	3 minutes (all speakers from team A & B)
Final Focus	2 minutes (speaker 2 from team A)
Final Focus	2 minutes (speaker 2 from team B)

**Each team is allowed two minutes of prep time, which can be taken at any time during a round.

AWARDS RECOGNITION

Trophies will be awarded to the top 5 debate teams and top 5 congressional debaters, and speaker awards will be given to the top 10 students in Public Forum Debate.

ENTRY & FEES

School entries will be facilitated through tabroom.com, and coaches can enter students at riverside.tabroom.com. Entries will be accepted until 11/24/17.

To allow the greatest field of competition, we will accept the first 5 teams from each school, and will waitlist additional entries. As we get closer to the tournament, we will begin accepting waitlisted entries.

Each school is required to bring only two judges to the tournament, regardless of the number of entries. A judge buyout is also available - please see below.

School Fee: None

Each Student in Attendance: \$45 for Public Forum / \$30 for Congress

Judge Buyout: \$60

SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 2nd

8:15 am	Registration
9:00 am	PuFo Round 1 / Congress Round 1
10:00 am	Pufo Round 2
10:30 am	Congress Round 2
11:00 am	PuFo Round 3
12:00 pm	LUNCH!!!
1:00 pm	PuFo Round 4 / Congress Round 3
2:00 pm	PuFo Round 5
3:00 pm	Congress Round 4

*****Awards will be ASAP after round 5/round 4

DEADLINES

The deadline to add entries on the website will be Friday, November 24th at 11:59 pm.

Any "Adds" after this deadline may be considered via email

(@rsaspeechanddebate.com)

Drops may be made online or emailed without penalty the deadline. Any drops after this deadline will still be charged the regular entry fee.

Entry fees must be paid at registration.

Make checks payable to: "RSA ASB". Please indicate "MS Classic" in memo line.

LOCATION

Riverside STEM Academy is located at 4466 Mt. Vernon Drive, in Riverside, 92507, right off of the 60 freeway. We are located very close to University of California Riverside.