## Appleton East Debate

#### APPLETON EAST HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Debate Coach,

The Administration and Debate Coaching Staff at Appleton East High School are pleased to invite you and your Debate team to the Appleton East "Alexandra Hoechrel Challenge" on December 1-2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017. We are very excited about the Challenge format and henceforth will be offering 4 divisions in the challenge format, and additionally we are very proud to continue to officially call the challenge divisions of the Appleton East Debate Tournament the "Alexandra Hoecherl Challenge". We will also continue to call the VSS speaker awards the Reddy awards.

We will also keep the challenge happening in the commons. The challenge format slows the process of the tournament down just a bit, but we have always had the fortune to stay relatively close to our printed schedule.

**DATE** Friday & Saturday, December 1-2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

**ENTRIES** Teams may be entered in two CX (switch side) divisions, Lincoln Douglas division and Public Forum (all four will be run as a challenge format).

Policy Challenge divisions will compete on Friday night and Saturday for 5 prelim rounds and then elimination rounds. Lincoln Douglas and Public Forum will also compete on both Friday and Saturday, but will have 7 prelim rounds. (Our goal is to break all winning records – like State, but if numbers are large we will not go larger than Octo-Finals in PF & LD and Quarters in CX)

The OPEN division (formerly the JVSS division) – is intended for  $1_{st}$  year and some struggling  $2_{nd}$  year debaters, but it is not intended for teams just trophy hunting. This division is meant for Novices – it will embrace all of the novice limitations that are in place at the WSDT Tournament, but I will allow struggling  $2_{nd}$  year debaters to enter the division, as an opportunity to grow. If an individual has had a winning record in a previous Challenge OPEN/JVSS division, and I find them still competing in the OPEN division – they will forfeit all of their rounds. Ultimately – this division is meant to be a growth division, and I really want to try and preserve that intent.

FEES Entry fees are \$50.00 per CX teams and \$25.00 per LD debater. Public Forum fees are \$50.00 per team. ALL ENTRIES AS OF 5:00 PM WEDNESDAY – NOVEMBER 29th, will be responsible to pay the fees of the

entries you registered. Checks should be made out to Appleton East High School.

**JUDGES** Each school must bring one per 2 CX (Switch Side) teams and PF teams, or fraction thereof. For Lincoln /

Douglas you will need 1 judge per 2 entries. Schools without judges will be charged \$250/missing judge. This is high because we have to run a two-day tournament with full elimination rounds. I would rather have your judges than your money. A limited number of hired judges will be available at a rate of \$100/day or \$200/tournament. Please contact Kedrick to hire judges. Judges are obligated to remain at the tournament for one full (read: not partial) elimination round past their team's elimination from their designated pool. Failure to stay for your full obligation will result in your team being fined at a rate of \$25/round missed.

L/D will use the published November/December NFL Resolution.

**PF** Public Forum will use the published December NFL Resolution.

**AWARDS** Awards for the Challenge events will begin at break rounds. Top speaker awards will be presented in each

Policy division.

**FOOD** A concession stand operated by the East Debate parents and Alumni and will be available at the High School

during competition. We ask that contestants plan to eat at the High School so as not to delay the tournament.

ENTRY DEADLINE Wednesday, November 29th, 2017

QUESTIONS If you have any questions, please feel free to call. I can be reached at (920) 460-2232 or by email at

stumbriskedric@aasd.k12.wi.us

Looking forward to seeing you on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>!

Appleton East Debate Coaching Staff – Kedrick & Nickolas Stumbris, and Joshua Evers

### **CX SCHEDULE**

Friday December 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2017	Friday	<b>December</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> .	, 2017
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REGISTRATION	3:00 - 3:30 PM
General Assembly (in the commons)	3:45 PM
ROUND I	
ROUND II	6:30 PM
Saturday December 2 <sup>n</sup>	<sup>d</sup> , 2017
Challenge for round III	7:30 AM
ROUND III	8:00 AM
ROUND IV	10:45 AM
ROUND V	1:30 AM
AWARDS	3:45 PM
FIRST ELIM ROUND	4:00 PM
Elimination rounds continue	6:00 PM
<u>LD &amp; PF SCHEDU</u> Friday December 1 <sup>st</sup> ,	2017
REGISTRATION	3:00 - 3:30 PM
General Assembly (in the commons)	3:45 PM
ROUND I	
ROUND II	5:45 PM
ROUND III	7:30 PM

#### Saturday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

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ROUND IV	8:00 AM
ROUND V	9:30 AM
ROUND VI	11:00 AM
ROUND VII	1:00 PM
First Break Round	2:30 PM
AWARDS	3:45 PM
Second Break Round	4:00 PM
Finals / Semis (Finals for both events may occur in the Theatre)	to follow

Confirmation Call-in/Text-in Numbers 920-460-2232 or 920-209-2233 or 920-750-9235 QUESTIONS if you have any questions, please feel free to call. I can be reached at 460-2232

# Debate Adjudicator Procedures, Guidelines, & Ethics for the Alexandra Hoecherl Challenge Tournament

- A. Any judge who finds him/herself in a conflict of interest including, but not limited to, judging a student from a school with which the judge is affiliated, shall notify the tournament director immediately.
- B. A judge shall neither shorten rounds nor render a decision on the ballot until the completion of the round. The judge shall listen to the entire round in a fair and impartial manner before making a decision.
- C. The judge should decide the round based upon the arguments presented in the round and not upon his/her personal beliefs or biases.
- D. A judge is expected to adapt expectations and award speaker points appropriate to the level of debate being judged. No minimum point total is required, but constructive discretion should be maintained.
- E. A judge shall fill out the ballot completely. A written justification for the decision shall be provided. Comments on ballots are to be instructive and constructive.
- F. A judge should fully communicate his/her decision on the ballot and immediately turn that ballot in, therefore allow the tournament to proceed as close to the scheduled time as possible. Then if they so choose to provide educationally enriching comments to the debaters, they may do so.
- G. This Tournament and the WDCA do not recognize "Games Playing" as a legitimate and educational paradigm by which a debate round may or should be judged. A judge may not, therefore, employ a "games player" paradigm to render his/her decision.
- H. No high school student may be used to judge any round at this or the State Tournament of Champions.
- I. If while judging a round, the judge leaves to go and confer with his/her team, the team conferred with takes a loss. Any judge who leaves a round for any reason other than an emergency shall be fined \$25 per round.
- J. The Heochrel Challenge will embrace the paper-free debate initiative. General expectations will be followed. IE opponents will have the right to view evidence used within the round, in a method that does not inhibit their ability to perform in their regular custom.
- K. Novice limited topics and the Counterplan(s) no kritik rule are in effect for all WDCA sanctioned events throughout the entire season including the State tournament and this tournament.

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