Riverdale High School Speech and Debate  
2018 Rebel Revolution

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Dear Coaches,

The Riverdale High Speech and Debate team invites you to the 2nd annual Rebel Revolution on January 26th and 27th. We will be offering the following competition events: Congressional Debate, Lincoln-Douglas Debate (Novice/Advanced Divisions offered if numbers allow), Policy Debate (open), Public Forum (open), Impromptu Speaking, Extemporaneous Speaking, Original Oratory, Declamation, Duo Interpretation, Duet Acting, Humorous Interpretation, Dramatic Interpretation, Oral Interpretation, Program Oral Interp and Informative Speaking.

Registration will be entirely online through **tabroom.com**. Upon entering on Friday, Duo, Duet, and Debate registration will take place in the Library above the administration building. If your team is only entering Individual Events, registration will take place in the library on Saturday morning. Parking will be available on campus.

**The deadline for registration will be Monday, January 22nd.** Drops and adds will be taken through 5 pm that Wednesday (the 24th). Nuisance fees will apply thereafter.

We are beyond excited to have you all on our campus for our second tournament back. This should be an amazing weekend of competition. If you have any questions whatsoever, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

**WELCOME TO THE REVOLUTION!**

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**DEADLINES**

Registration: **January 22nd**

Add/Drop without fees: **January 24th**

**POINTS OF CONTACT/QUESTIONS**

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**ENTRY LIMITS**

Individual Events – 3 – may cross enter in Duo and/or Duet or Debate

Debate – Must pick one Debate event, may enter in IEs as well

Duo/Duet – May enter both categories as well as IEs.

**TIME LIMIT**

We will follow LHSSL rules

Time signals **must** be given for Impromptu Speaking at least once per minute

-Verbal for preparation, hand-signals for duration of speech

Standard prep times for debate events

**JUDGING REQUIREMENTS**

1 judge for every 3 debaters/teams

1 judge for every 5 speech entries

1 judge for every 5 duo/duet teams

\*\*\*In order for this tournament to run smoothly, we NEED judges to be present and punctual. Please include the name and phone number of each judge your team provides. If the school cannot provide their allotment of judges, entries may be adjusted.

Coaches, please reserve first year out students who were active members of the LHSSL in the 2016-2017 school year as a last resort. They still have strong ties to the league and know a lot of the competitors. In order to avoid a potentially inherent bias, please ensure that your judges for this tournament are at the very least on their second year removed from this organization. Thank you.

The ballot table will be situated in the library above the administration hall. We encourage all teams’ judges to stay at least one round beyond their elimination. If your team’s judges fail to pick up ballots, your school will be fined $25 for each round missed.

**AWARDS**

Awards will be given to top 6 in IEs/Duo/Duet, as well as the top 6 speakers in Congress.

Awards will also be given to debaters advancing to semis onward.

**FEES**

$6.00 for each individual event entry

$12.00 for each team event entry

**FOOD**

Concessions will be available for purchase in the cafeteria for all competitors

Food for judges will be available in our judge’s lounge (above the cafeteria

**EVENT RULES**

**\*\*\***We adhere to the rules presented on all 2017-18 LHSSL ballots. For further information on rules for each individual event, refer to the LHSSL Constitution and Coaches’ Manual.

**\*\*\***We will not be using the Novice LD topic. All LD Debaters will argue the NSDA’s January-February topic, Public Forum will use January’s topic, and Policy will adhere to the 2017-18 topic. Debaters may use wi-fi in rounds. Coaches please disseminate the wi-fi information to your debaters as needed.

**\*\*\***Please do not use a clock to time events. A stopwatch of any sort is much preferred and more accurate.

**\*\*\***Congress will use the January docket posted on the LHSSL website.

**\*\*\***Binders will be used for OI and POI. OI will start with Prose Round 1. Duo is Interpretation, not Reading, so no binders will be allowed.

**\*\*\***Laptops are allowed in Extemp Prep, but wi-fi must be turned off. Students must maintain integrity in their research and follow the Laptop rules in the LHSSL Constitution.

**\*\*\***Students may only enter a room without a judge present in order to cross-enter if they are in multiple events in the same flight. Please encourage your students to be prompt.

**\*\*\***In order to expedite the tournament, round three may be a semi-final round for all events large enough to warrant a break. Likewise, if events are small, we reserve the right to go two rounds to finals in order to preserve our judging pool.

**SANCTIONING**

This tournament is sanctioned by the NSDA, the NCFL, and the LHSSL. If numbers permit, the top 3 in each Individual Event, the top 4 teams in Duo and Duet, and the top 4 competitors/teams in Debate events will qualify for state. For events with fewer than 10 entries, LHSSL rules on state qualifications will apply. See the Rules for Standardization on the LHSSL’s site for more details.

**PARKING**

Parking is available on campus, as well as at Jefferson Playground across the street on South Drive

**SWEEPSTAKES**

**1st 2nd 3rd Final**

**Duo/Duet** 50 35 20 10

**Policy/PF Debate** 50 35 20

**Ind. Events/LD** 35 25 15 5

**Congress** 35 25 15 5

**TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

**\*\*\*If the Lincoln-Douglas entry is large enough to be flighted, Flight B will take place 45 minutes after listed times**

**\*\*\*Debate Preliminaries will wrap up before 10 p.m. Friday if judges are prompt. The sooner we get ballots back, the sooner the next round gets posted!**

**Friday, January 26th**

**Congress** 12:00 – 3:00 (in the ROTC building)

**Registration** 3:30 – 4:00 p.m. (in the library)

**Duo/Duet/Debate Rd. 1** 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

**Duo/Duet/Debate Rd. 2** 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

**Duo/Duet/Debate Rd. 3** 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

**Debate Rd. 4** 8:30 – 10:00 p.m.

**Saturday, January 27th**

**Registration** 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. (in the library)

**Individual Events Rd. 1** 8:30 – 10:00 a.m. (Draw @ 8:00)

**Individual Events Rd. 2** 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. (Draw @ 9:30)

**Lunch** 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Individual Events Rd. 3/Semis\*** 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. (Draw @ Noon)

**Debate Semis\*\*/ Duo & Duet Finals** 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

**ALL REMAINING FINALS** 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. (Draw @ 2:30)

**Award Ceremony** 6:00 p.m.

\* If there are 10 or fewer entries in an event, it will go 2 rounds to finals. Events with 10-14 competitors will go 3 rounds to finals, Events with 15 or more will break to Semis then to finals.

\*\*If Lincoln-Douglas is large enough to break to Quarterfinals, Quarters will take place at 1:30, semis at 2:30, and finals at 3:30.