Event Quick Guide





Event	Time	Notes	Hand signals
SPAR	Please see event guide	Please see event guide	Yes
Impromptu	7 Min Total All levels	Please see event guide	Yes
Extemp	HS/MS NSDA rules	HS/MS NSDA rules	Yes
Duo	10 Min Max (8 minutes for elementary)	Interpretation event with 2 competitors (NSDA guidelines)	No
ADS	10 min max (8 minutes for elementary)	Informative or Persuasive Speech with comedic elements/jokes throughout speech.	No
Original Narrative	5 Min Max all levels	Personal Story that meets the tournament theme	No
Declamation	10 Min Max (8 minutes for elementary)	Speech already presented by an orator in a public speaking situation.	No

Pattern B

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SPAR	Please see event guide	Please see event guide	Yes
Informative	10 min total High School	Student takes on role of the	No
	5 Min Total Middle and	teacher and provides new	
	Elementary	and valuable information	
Humorous Interp	10 Min Max	Scripted interp event	No
		performed with the goal of	
		making audience laugh	
Prose	7 Min Max all grade	Interpretation event	No
	levels	performed with an interp	
		book	
Original Oratory	10 Min Max (Elementary	NSDA guidelines	No
	8 minutes)		
Storytelling	5 Min Max All Levels	Retelling of children's story.	No
		Presenter should be	
		animated and bring	
		characters to life.	
Slam Poetry	5 Min Max (Elementary 3	Presenting of original work.	No
	minutes)	Focus is on rhythmic oratory	
		and emotional appeal.	

For most events, High School and Middle School times are the same. Elementary school times are listed in parentheses if different from standard times. The Sunshine in My Pocket tournament is meant to be an unofficial start to the 2018-2019 season, so students cannot use pieces and speeches performed in the previous school year (2017/2018 Tournament season).