

*The
Thirty-Sixth Annual
Villiger Tournament*

November 21st & 22nd, 2015

*Saint Joseph's University
5600 City Avenue
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

Villiger Debating Society
Saint Joseph's University
"Victory Demonstrated Soundly"

September 12th, 2015

Dear Forensic Directors

The members of the Villiger Debating Society cordially invite you to attend the Thirty-Sixth Annual Villiger Speech and Debate Tournament. There are exciting new changes to this year's Villiger! We have received many requests, and we are doing our best to respond to what you, our loyal participants, have asked. Please read our invitation fully, paying particular attention to the "New and/or special at this year's Villiger" page as well as to the schedule. The Invitation will contain all the information you need regarding registration, lodging, tournament rules, and important dates. To ensure that your team is placed in our tournament, we encourage you to register as early as possible. While our official entry does not close until November 11, the Tournament reserves the right to close entry and create waiting lists if space fills up on campus.

Please note in addition to your registration form, Saint Joseph's requires each school to submit a **SIGNED** Certification verifying the fitness of the adults traveling with your group to be in the presence of minors. This certification must be submitted **IN ADVANCE** of your arrival at the Tournament or your students will not be able to participate. Electronic submission is acceptable, with the original to be submitted at Registration on the day of the Tournament. Please submit electronically to villigerdebate@yahoo.com. The certification form can be found on the last page of the invitation. Your timely cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

The Villiger Debating Society team members and alumni hope that you and your team share in our excitement for, and anticipation of, this year's tournament. We are all looking forward to seeing you at Villiger 2015!

Sincerely,

Darby Rourick, Tournament Director
Genevieve Philbin, Assistant Tournament Director

New and/or Special at This Year's Villiger!

- Tabroom.com will be the site for registration, information, Tournament administration and all things Villiger!
- Speech Contestants will be allowed to enter up to TWO events per speech bracket for a total of up to four events entered. (Congress, LD, PFD and CX contestants are not able to do this because those events' dedicated time schedules conflict with the speech time schedule.)
- Saturday morning registration will now be at the North Lounge on the second floor of the Campion Student Center, with the Opening Assembly to follow in the Doyle Banquet Hall in the Campion Student Center.
- All speech contestants will be able to attend the opening assembly. (You will no longer have a room assigned where students would wait for you to receive important information.) The Debate and Congress events will have their own individual "assemblies" with specific room numbers to be given to you at registration.
- Villiger is getting greener! Individual schematics will not be printed for each student. Rather, schematics will be posted live online.

- Entry limits on Numbers of Debaters and debate teams have been altered in some events. Please check the invitation for these changes.
- The Saturday evening Student Dance and Judges' Reception are being discontinued. We are sad to see these "Villiger originals" go, but attendance at both has waned. Instead, we will have a "rolling announcement" of advancing students. As breaks are determined in events, they will be posted live online once all preliminary rounds have been completed.
- Please follow us on Twitter at ".sju_villiger", Instagram at "villigerspeech" and "like" our Facebook Page "Villiger Speech and Debate at Saint Joseph's University"!
- Please have checks made payable to "Villiger Debating Society"
- Please note several time changes from previous years in our Saturday schedule.
- Villiger is a **University of Kentucky TOC qualifying** tournament in: **Extemp, OO, OI and Duo!**
- Villiger is an **Extemp TOC at Northwestern University** qualifying tournament!
- Villiger is a **NIETOC QUALIFIER** in **Duo** and **OO!**
- Villiger **Congress** is a **TOC QUALIFIER** in **FINALS!**
- Villiger **Public Forum Debate** is a **TOC QUALIFIER** in **SEMIFINALS!**

ENTRY INFORMATION

OFFICIAL ENTRY REGISTRATION DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11th, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.

We **will** accept entries after this date provided there is space on campus available. However, following this deadline still allows for **full slot-alteration abilities up until 6:00 P.M., Wednesday, November 18th.**

ENTRY FEES:

Speech: \$25.00 each speech slot
LD: \$50.00 per LD Debater
Duo: \$35.00 each Duo team
CX Debate: \$80.00 each debate team
PF Debate: \$80.00 each debate team

HIRED JUDGES FEES:

\$12.00 each uncovered
speech entry
\$65.00 each PFD judge
\$100.00 each CX judge
WE DO NOT HIRE LD JUDGES

DROP FEES:

Speech: \$25.00 each speech slot

LD Debate: \$35.00 each LD slot
per round missed
CX/PF Debate: \$50.00 per team

NO SHOW FEES:

Speech: \$25.00 per slot,
per round missed
LD, PF Debate: \$40.00 per slot,

PLEASE NOTE:

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- **Drop fees are assessed IN ADDITION TO the initial entry fees**
- **Please make all checks PAYABLE TO “Villiger Debating Society”**
- **Should overpayment occur for tournament fees, Saint Joseph’s University will mail a refund check approximately three to four weeks following the Villiger Tournament. Change made in cash may not be available at the tournament.**

JUDGING INFORMATION

Schools are asked to supply one judge for every two debate teams or fraction thereof entered in Cross-Examination AND Public Forum Debate. Schools are also asked to supply one judge for every 7 entries, either single or multiple entered in Dramatic Interpretation, Original Oratory, Extemporaneous, Declamation, Oral Interpretation, Student Congress, and Duo Interpretation.

Please note that for judging purposes, a duo team is considered one contestant. When registering, please indicate if the judge is qualified to judge and/or serve as parliamentarian for Student Congress. Schools must provide one judge for every three debaters or fraction thereof in Lincoln-Douglas Debate.

ALL SPEECH AND CX JUDGES ARE REQUIRED TO BE AVAILABLE FOR ASSIGNMENT ONE ROUND PAST THE POINT REACHED BY A SCHOOL'S SPEECH AND CX ENTRIES. THIS MEANS THAT ALL JUDGES FROM EACH SCHOOL ARE REQUIRED TO BE IN ATTENDANCE ON SUNDAY TO JUDGE THE FIRST ELIMINATION ROUNDS AT A MINIMUM. SCHOOLS ARE REQUESTED TO AVAIL JUDGES FOR THE ENTIRE TOURNAMENT DURATION. ALL LD AND PF JUDGES ARE REQUIRED TO BE IN ATTENDANCE TWO ROUNDS PAST THE POINT REACHED BY THEIR ENTRIES.

Since judges, like competitors, can seriously jeopardize the progress of the tournament and its time schedule, we have instituted the following regulations. All speech judges are allotted fifteen (15) minutes past the scheduled start of the round to arrive for judging before being assessed a \$25.00 missed round fee for each section of judging unattended. All CX Debate judges are also allotted fifteen (15) minutes past the scheduled start of the round to arrive for judging before the highest-standing team from that school will be docked one win after all preliminary rounds have been completed.

All judges may assess time violation penalties as they deem

appropriate with the following exceptions: Speakers shall receive up to and including 30 seconds of grace beyond the established time limit without any ballot consideration. Should the speaker speak beyond the 30-second grace period, that speaker is not to be given the 1st place in that particular round. Judges MUST honor a contestant's request for time signals or equivalent to indicate his/her progress towards limit. Judges are in no instance to reveal ranks or decisions or in any way confer with each other while on panels.

This rather lengthy list of Judging Information reflects not a pessimistic view of the integrity of judges, but rather an optimistic view of non-obstructive forensic competition. Since the interests of your students are without qualification THE raison d'être of this Tournament, anything we can do to make their experiences more exciting and meaningful will be done.

SAFETY

Due to legal precautions, the policy of the Villiger Tournament concerning consumption of alcoholic beverages by minors, illegal use of controlled substances, vandalism, and destructive or disorderly behavior shall be: to disqualify involved contestants from further competition, to communicate the offending incident to the contestants' on-site guardians and parents, to insist on the contestants' immediate transportation home, to require financial reimbursement for all damages or liabilities caused directly or indirectly by the incident, to notify University Security and when necessary the local legal authorities. The precise remedy or remedies selected shall remain with the discretion of the Villiger Tournament. The Tournament expects all contestants to adhere to a 1:30 A.M. curfew. We are required by law, University regulation, and Tournament charter to officially declare this policy, and we herewith comply.

LOCATION INFORMATION

Speech, LD, PFD and Congress at Saint Joseph's University: Located in West Philadelphia along the Historic Main Line, Saint Joseph's University is easily accessible from the PA Turnpike, from Philadelphia International Airport, and from Interstate 95. *CX Debate* may be held off site at Waldron Academy, approximately 1.5 miles from Saint Joseph's if space fills up on campus for the other speech and debate categories. The decision for the location of CX Debate will be made by November 11, 2015.

PA TURNPIKE- Exit 326 VALLEY FORGE, Route 76 east to City Avenue, Exit 339. Tenth stop light to 54th Street; turn left. High-rise parking lot is on the left.

ROUTE 95 NS- North: Exit 95 at Center City, follow Vine Street (676) to Route 76 West to City Avenue, Exit 339 Follow above.

BLUE ROUTE- 476 South to Route 76 East to City Avenue, Exit 339. Tenth stop light to 54th Street, turn left. Parking lot is on the right.

THE OFFICIAL HOTEL FOR THE 2015 VILLIGER TOURNAMENT

Only two miles from the campus of Saint Joseph's University is the Crowne Plaza Hotel, located at 4100 Presidential Boulevard. The Crowne Plaza is the official headquarters hotel for the 2015 Villiger Tournament. Please make your reservations by calling the Crowne Plaza, contact information below. Be sure to say you are attending the Villiger Tournament to obtain the reduced rates. Crowne Plaza representatives urge that reservations be made as early as possible, as a block of rooms at a reduced rate are reserved for the Villiger Tournament through November 2nd.. After this time, rooms are available only on a first-come-first-serve basis. The room rate we have reserved is \$118 per room per night for all room types. A limited number of rollaway beds are available upon request. Please inquire when making a reservation.

To make a reservation, please contact Richard Moore, Crowne Plaza Senior Sales Director, who is the direct contact for this event. He can be reached by phone at 215-220-6414, or by e-mail at Richard.moore@cpcityavenue.com.

TRANSPORTATION

Due to tightened insurance restrictions and liability issues, The Villiger Tournament unfortunately will not be able to shuttle individuals or schools to and from the airport or to and from the Tournament Hotel to Campus.

APPROPRIATE CONTACT INFORMATION

CONTACT: Villiger Debating Society **Office: 610-660-1080**
(From now until Tuesday, November 17th at 5:00)
E-MAIL: [**villigerdebate@yahoo.com**](mailto:villigerdebate@yahoo.com)

From Tuesday evening 11/17 to Friday 11/20 please call the Crowne Plaza at 215-477-0200 and **ASK FOR THE VILLIGER DEBATING SOCIETY.**

Darby Rourick, Tournament Director
Cell Phone: (515)577-2922

Genevieve Philbin, Assistant Tournament Director
Cell Phone: (570)702-9436

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS (Dramatic Interpretation, Original Oratory, Extemporaneous, Declamation, Oral Interpretation, Duo Interpretation)

Each of the individual speech contests will consist of three preliminary rounds and three elimination rounds. To encourage diversification in forensics, as well as to efficiently operate under such diversification, a Flight-Bracketing System has been developed, whereby **a student may**

enter a maximum of two events per bracket.

The events are bracketed as follows:

Bracket “A”: Dramatic Interpretation, Original Oratory, Declamation

Bracket “B”: Extemporaneous, Oral Interpretation, Duo Interpretation

One judge will hear each preliminary round; three judges will hear each quarter and semi; five each Final. **Pairings for elimination rounds will be based upon seedings from preliminary results.** Using the AFA National Quarter-Finaling Method, events with fewer than 40 contestants will have three sections of six contestants in the Quarter-Final, with the top four from each Quarter advancing to Semis. Events with fewer than 30 contestants will break directly to semi-finals. Events with 40 or more contestants will proceed normally. Ties in ranks will be broken in preliminary rounds on the basis of reciprocal fractions; in elimination rounds on judges’ preference. As a last resort, points may be a tie-breaker in preliminary rounds only.

CONCERNING SPEECH CONTESTS

It is expected that no interpretive reader, dramatic interpreter, orator, or extemporaneous speaker, shall use the same materials and/or speech as he/she used in a previous year of competition. It is further expected that works purported to be the original composition of the student delivering them are so in fact. Contestants are expected to be properly informed as to the rules and prohibitions of the contest in which they are entered, including the time limitations and unique restrictions noted below.

SPECIAL ATTENTION

1. Each school may enter a maximum of **six (6)** Cross-Examination Debate teams in the Tournament. However, because of the limited number of CX judges available for hire, the Villiger Tournament reserves the right to refuse any more requests for hired CX judges after the registration deadline.
2. Because of the traditionally large number of entries coupled with space limitations, **THE VILLIGER TOURNAMENT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CLOSE ANY DEBATE AND/OR SPEECH**

**EVENT BRACKET AFTER THE DEADLINE OF
November 11, 2015. Please register early!**

3. Please note there are five preliminary rounds of LD Debate.
4. Please note that portraying multiple characters is allowed in Duo. Manuscripts in Duo are not allowed.
5. On Saturday, the 21st, Cross-Examination debaters may be competing at an off-site location within 1.5 miles of Saint Joseph's University, the determination for which will be made by November 11, 2015.
- 6 **No competitors in LD, CX, PFD, or Congress may enter any speech events due to conflicting time schedules for the events.**

Event Rules:

DRAMATIC INTERPRETATION

The interpreter should prepare to deliver a memorized dramatic presentation from a single published play, published prose, or published poem of no greater than ten minutes in duration. No props permitted. The presentation should be prefaced with a brief statement of introduction; however no more than one minute should be allotted for introductory and transitional material. Body language and vocal ability should combine so successfully and so unobtrusively that the hearer forgets that this is a contest and, in perfectly created atmosphere and setting, is carried away to the time and place of the scene or story being unfolded. **SELECTIONS MAY BE OF A SERIOUS OR HUMOROUS NATURE.** (((TL=10 minutes)))

ORIGINAL ORATORY

The orator should prepare to deliver a memorized oration of his/her own composition of no longer than ten minutes in duration. The oration may deal with a current problem and propose a solution OR may simply alert the audience to a threatening danger, stimulate thought, strengthen their devotion to an accepted cause, or eulogize an individual. The orator will not be expected to solve any of the day's great problems. Rather, the speaker should discuss intelligently, with a degree of originality, in an interesting

manner, and with the use of fine literary quality, the topic chosen. Delivery should be masterful and sincere. (((TL=10 minutes)))

EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING

An extemper should be prepared to develop and present a complete, well-organized, fluently delivered speech on a current topic within thirty minutes from the moment of draw. The speech should span no more than seven minutes. The speech should be an original synthesis by the speaker of the current fact and opinion as presented by numerous sources/individuals. The speaker will be held responsible for strict adherence to the precise statement of the question. In addition, each extemper should combine clear thought, good speech, and an interest in the presentation to establish a definite thesis with respect to the question. Preparation area is sealed and quiet. (((TL=7 minutes))). In addition, there will be a questioning or cross examination period in the final round. After each extemporaneous speech, a fellow contestant will have three minutes to question the speaker in any manner they so choose. The questioning period is open, and answers will continue back and forth until either the questioner chooses to stop or three minutes have elapsed. The questions can be about anything from issues that the speaker failed to consider, clarification of the speech, analytical/logical questions, etc...: it is up to the questioner to decide his or her own objectives and goals for the questioning period. Some logistical notes:

1. When 1st speaker is ready to perform, both 1st and last speaker will go to the competition room. After 1st speaker performs, last speaker will question the first speaker. At the conclusion of the questioning period, the last speaker will return to the preparation room, and 1st speaker will stay to question the 2nd speaker. The 2nd speaker will question the 3rd speaker, etc...
2. Questioners may take notes while listening to the speeches that they will eventually question. However, they may not use those notes during the questioning period itself.
3. The session should produce discourse and should work to enlighten speakers, judges, and the audience about the topic by developing a more insightful understanding of the topic delivered. While it ultimately is up to the judges to decide how the questioning period plays into the ranking and

evaluation of the round, the speakers' abilities to effectively meet these criteria will be considered and help to determine the outcome of the round.

4. The time limit on the questioning period is 3 minutes. Time signals will be given. Once three minutes have elapsed, the speaker should be given a small amount of time to complete the response that they are currently giving.

ORATORICAL DECLAMATION

The orator should prepare to deliver a memorized oration of a person other than him or herself of no greater than ten minutes in duration. The presentation should be prefaced with a brief statement of introduction; however no more than one minute should be allotted for introductory and transitional material. The orator should interpret accurately the meaning of the oration with a marked degree of interest. No particular style, including vocal or physical imitation, will be demanded of the orator. Attempts at dramatization rather than communication of the ideas will be considered inappropriate. ****THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO HIGH SCHOOL NINTH AND TENTH GRADERS ONLY**** (((TL=10 minutes)))

ORAL INTERPRETATION

An interpreter should prepare to deliver either a single piece, cutting, or series of short pieces united by a common theme/author within a ten-minute time interval. The presentation should be prefaced with a brief statement of introduction; however no more than one minute should be allotted for introductory and transitional material. Each interpreter should prepare two programs — one prose, one poetry — to be delivered alternately from round to round as determined at the Opening Assembly. Cuttings from plays are expressly prohibited. A manuscript will be required throughout the presentation. The interpreter should avoid exhibitionism. Movement and gestures should be appropriate for the selections being presented. (((TL=10 minutes)))

DUAL INTERPRETATION OF LITERATURE (DUO)

The two-person team of interpreters should prepare to deliver a dramatic

presentation from a published play, published prose, or published poem of no greater than ten minutes in duration. The presentation should be prefaced with a brief statement of introduction; however no more than one minute should be allotted for introductory and transitional material. *The speakers may not hold manuscripts.* As a unit, the pair will vocally and physically respond to each other's verbal and non-verbal cues while maintaining proper focal points. Selections may be of a serious or humorous nature. Each performer may portray one or more characters. (((TL-10 minutes)))

LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE

A Lincoln-Douglas Debater shall be responsible to debate both sides of the Lincoln-Douglas topic. This topic will be **THE NATIONAL FORENSIC LEAGUE TOPIC FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2015.** The format is as follows:

Six Minute Affirmative Constructive, Three Minute Negative Cross-Examination, Seven Minute Negative Constructive, Three Minute Affirmative Cross-Examination, Four Minute Affirmative Rebuttal, Six Minute Negative Rebuttal, Three Minute Affirmative Rebuttal.

Each debater will receive three minutes preparation time per round. Rounds I and II will be paired as geographically as possible. Round III will be power-paired high-high; Rounds IV and V will be power-protected within brackets. At the completion of five preliminary rounds, the top thirty-two (32) debaters (selection based on W/L then speaker points) will advance to the Double Octo-Final round. One judge will hear each preliminary round, three judges will hear each Double Octo-Final, Octo-Final, Quarter-Final, and Semi-Final; five judges will hear the Final (if available). **Each school is limited to 16 LD Debaters.**

BECAUSE OF ROOM LIMITATIONS AND THE COMPLEXITY OF PAIRING LD, WE URGE THAT THERE BE NO LD DROPS OR ADDS THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT. PLEASE MAKE THESE DROPS AND ADDS EARLY!!!

CROSS-EXAMINATION DEBATE

A Cross-Examination Debate team shall consist of two debaters who are in or between 9th and 12th grades to debate both sides of the 2015-2016 NFL high school topic. The standard eight-minute constructive, three-minute cross-examination, five-minute rebuttal format will be utilized. Each team will receive five minutes preparation time per round. Rounds I and II will be as geographically paired as possible; Round III will be power-paired high-high; Rounds IV and V will be power-protected within brackets. After five preliminary rounds, sixteen teams (selection based on W/L then speaker points then speaker ranks) will advance to Octo-Finals with the top-ranked teams debating the lowest ranked teams. To maintain the quality of the competition, should the total number of teams debating in the preliminary rounds not exceed thirty two (32), the tournament will break directly to Quarter-Finals. One judge will hear each preliminary round, three will hear each Octo-Final, Quarter-Final, and Semi-Final Round, five judges will hear the Final (if available). A CX Debate team is allotted fifteen (15) minutes past the scheduled start of a round to arrive to debate before forfeiting the round. As per the NCFL Guidelines for source-citing: "In reading evidence, only the author and the date need to be read in the round. Full citations must be available if requested by the opposing team." Additionally the use of laptop computers will be permitted for flowing rounds and retrieving evidence only. As is apparent from the foregoing, it is the philosophy of the Villiger Debating Society that "team-debate" is truly a "team" effort. The tournament staff will disqualify any debate team whose participants, in any round, fail for any reason to each give one constructive, one rebuttal, direct one period of cross-examination, and participate in a period of cross-examination directed by the opposing team. **Each school is limited to six (6) Debate teams.**

PUBLIC FORUM DEBATE

Public Forum Debate is a team event that advocates or rejects a position posed by the resolution. The focus of the debate is a clash of ideas in a persuasive manner that can be understood by a "lay" judge.

Good debaters should display logic and analysis. They should use evidence when needed. They should win their case and refute that of their opponents. They should communicate effectively, using the fundamentals of good speaking. There are no burdens on either side. The teams will debate the November 2015 NFL high school topic. The standard 4 minute constructives, 3 minute cross fires, 2 minute summaries, and 2 minute final focuses with 2 minute prep times under the NCFL guidelines. Rounds I and II will be paired as geographically as possible. Round III will be power-paired high-high; Rounds IV and V will be power-protected within brackets. At the completion of five preliminary rounds, the top sixteen (16) debaters (selection based on W/L then speaker points) will advance to the Octo-Final round. One judge will hear each preliminary round, three judges will hear each Octo-Final, Quarter-Final, and Semi-Final; five judges will hear the Final (if available). Villiger tab staff reserves the right to add or subtract an elimination round based on *number of entries*. No debater may enter in any other event during the tournament. **Each school is limited to ten (10) Public Forum Debate teams.**

CONGRESS

ONE BILL OR RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY DEBATE MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EVERY THREE CONGRESSPERSONS OR PORTION THEREOF (4-6 LEGISLATORS = 2 BILLS, ETC). Each school must also submit ONE (1) BILL OR RESOLUTION FOR USE IN THE SUPER SESSION. Please specify which bills should be used for Super Session!!!

Please submit all legislation VIA E-MAIL BY NOVEMBER 9th TO:
villigercongress@yahoo.com.

IF THE PIECE(S) OF LEGISLATION ARE NOT RECEIVED, YOUR STUDENT MAY NOT BE PERMITTED TO COMPETE.

PLEASE NOTE: CONGRESS REGISTRATION IS DUE AT THE TIME THAT BILLS ARE RECEIVED. Should there not be an adequate number of bills specifically submitted for Super Session, bills from the preliminary sessions will be randomly chosen by the Tournament staff for debate in the Super Session.

Congresspersons will be guaranteed the first authorship speech on their school's legislation, when and if the legislation reaches debate. Each Congressperson will be allotted three minutes for each speech; each authorship speech (or first speech in affirmation) will be followed by two minutes of cross examination, as will the first speech in negation. All other speeches will be followed by one minute of cross examination. Preceding each session will be an election for presiding officer. The number of Congresspersons per house shall not exceed thirty (30) students.

On Saturday there will be three sessions of Congress. Preceding the first session, there will be an agenda setting session. Each preliminary session will have one judge in each house per session, with each judge ranking his/her top eight students on a sealed ballot. At the conclusion of all three sessions the Parliamentarian in each house will rank his/her top eight students. The four sets of ranks (the three judges' and the parliamentarian's) will be used to determine who advances from each chamber. The six (6) students with the lowest overall ranking in each chamber will advance. Any ties will be broken based on the number of first place ranks, followed by second place ranks, etc. In the event, there is still a tie, the tied students' highest and lowest ranks will be dropped. In the event there is still a tie, the parliamentarian's ranking will be the final tie-breaker.

Sunday's four-hour Super Session will have two judges, a Parliamentarian, and an adult presiding officer. The two judges will alternate scoring speeches (each judge will score every other speech). A modified base system will be used to score the Super Session. The Super Session will begin with a base of one (1), meaning that results will be calculated using at least one speech score per speaker (since not every competitor will have had the opportunity to speak). After the number of speeches equals the number of competitors present, the base will move up to two (2), since every student will have had the opportunity to speak at least once. Each competitor's best scores of the average number of speeches given will be counted (so if the base is three (3), each student's two best scores will be counted). Final placement will be determined by adding the scores of each student's best speeches. The parliamentarian will also rank each student in the Super Session; in the event of a tie, his/her ranks will be used to break the tie. Student Congress entrants may not be double entered. In the event that the number of Congresspersons does not exceed 30 students or exceeds 60

students, the Congress may follow alternate rules to be explained at the outset of the Tournament.

SWEEPSTAKES TABULATION

Sweepstakes points are accumulated based on all students advancing to elimination competition as follows:

Speech:	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	SF	QF
Points:	15	13	11	9	7	5	3	2

CX/PF/LD:	1 st	FIN	SF	QF	OCTO	DOUBLE OCTO
Points:	15	13	10	5	3	1

Congress:	Outstanding Speaker	Superior SPRR	1 st Mention	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	SS
Points:	15	13	11	9	7	5	2

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2015

- 8:00 PM Early Registration Begins: Crowne Plaza (Tournament Hotel)
9:30 PM Early Registration Ends

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2015

- 7:00 AM Registration Begins: **North Lounge, Champion Student Center**
7:45 AM Registration Ends
8:00 AM Opening Assembly: **Doyle Banquet Hall, Champion Student Center**
8:30 AM Student Congress Agenda Setting Session Convenes, CX Assembly
PFD Assembly, LD Assembly
8:45 AM Round One: Bracket A Speech Events
9:00 AM Round One: CX, LD, PF Debate
Student Congress Session One Convenes
10:00 AM Extemp Prep Round One
10:30 AM Round One: Bracket B Speech Events
10:45 AM Round Two: CX, LD, PF Debate
12:00 PM Student Congress Session One Adjourns
****Tournament Meal Break: Champion Cafeteria** (12:30-1:30 for CX)**
1:00 PM Round Two: Bracket A Speech Events
Student Congress Session Two Convenes
1:30 PM Round Three: LD, PF, and CX Debate
2:45 PM Round Two: Bracket B Speech Events
4:00 PM Student Congress Session Two Adjourns
Round Four: LD, PF, and CX Debate
4:30 PM Round Three: Bracket A Speech Events
Student Congress Session Three Convenes
6:15 PM Round Three: Bracket B Speech Events
6:30 PM Round Five: CX, LD, and PF Debate
7:30 PM Student Congress Session Three Adjourns
9:00 PM **Posting of Elimination Round Participants Online**
10:00 PM Posting of Quarter-Final Speech Pairings

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2015

EARLY	Posting of Elimination Panels and Order: Champion Foyer
8:00 AM	Quarter-Final Round: CX, Octo-final Round: PF Debate, Double Octo-Final Round: LD Debate, Quarter-Final Round: Dramatic Interpretation, Original Oratory, Duo Student Congress Super Session Convenes
9:00 AM	Extemp Draw
9:30 AM	Quarter-Final Round: Extemp, Declamation, Oral Interpretation
10:00AM	Semi-Final Round: CX, Quarter-Final Round: PF Debate, Octo-Final Round: LD Debate
11:30AM	Semi-Final Round: Dramatic Interpretation, Original Oratory, Duo Interpretation, Extemporaneous, Declamation, Oral Interpretation
12:00PM	Final Round: CX Semi-Final Round: PF Debate, Quarter-Final Round: LD Debate, Student Congress Super Session Adjourns
1:15 PM	Final Round: Extemporaneous Speaking with 3 minute Cross Examination
1:30 PM	Final Round: Dramatic Interpretation, Original Oratory, Duo Interpretation, Declamation, Oral Interpretation Semi-Final Round: LD Debate
2:00 PM	Final Round: PF Debate
2:30 PM	Final Round: LD Debate
4:30 PM	Roman Catholic Mass:
6:00 PM	Awards Assembly: Doyle Banquet Hall, Champion Student Center

HIGH SCHOOL CERTIFICATION TO SAINT JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY
REGARDING ATTENDANCE AT THE 2015 VILLIGER TOURNAMENT I certify that I am the Principal or the official moderator of the speech and debate program of the high school listed below. I am authorized to make this certification on that high school's behalf. Students from our high school will be traveling to participate in speech and debate competition at the 2015 VILLIGER TOURNAMENT in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the campus of Saint Joseph's University. Our high school has specially designated various adults to accompany our students to the TOURNAMENT in the capacity of coaches, moderators, judges, parents, and other chaperones. The official representative(s) from our high school in charge of our traveling team is/are:

I certify to Saint Joseph's University that our high school has received criminal background checks and/or clearances required by our State and our school on that/those representative(s). I also certify and represent to Saint Joseph's University that all other adults accompanying our team as judges, parents, and other chaperones are fit and safe to be in the presence of minors. It is our high school's responsibility to ensure that all adults accompanying our team to the Saint Joseph's campus are fit and safe to be in the presence of minors, and our high school accepts full legal responsibility for their actions. Saint Joseph's University is entitled to rely on this Certification in extending a TOURNAMENT invitation to our high school. NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL:

_____ TITLE OF CERTIFYING
OFFICIAL: _____ NAME OF CERTIFYING
OFFICIAL: _____ SIGNATURE OF
CERTIFYING OFFICIAL: _____ DATE THIS
CERTIFICATION IS MADE: ____ / ____ / 2015