

2017 West Allegheny Speech & Debate Tournament



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Welcome to the 2017 West Allegheny Speech & Debate Tournament

Events being offered are:

Humorous Interp	Commentary
Dramatic Interp	Extemporaneous – Mixed
Duo Interp	Impromptu
Policy	Prose
Lincoln Douglas	Poetry
Public Forum	Program of Oral Interp
Parliamentary	Declamation (9 th & 10 th only)
Big Question Debate	Original Oratory – Informative
Student Congress	Original Oratory – Persuasive

-Registration is located on www.tabroom.com

- The fee: \$5.00 per student. Please make checks out to *West Allegheny Speech & Debate*

-All Debates will be single-fight. If rooms are an issue debate will be moved across the parking lot to the Middle School.

-Registration will be in the Main High School Lobby.

-Tabroom will be located in Room C126.

-Judges Lounge will be located in Room B114.

-Opening and Closing Ceremonies will be in the auditorium.

-Extemp, Commentary & Impromptu Prep will be located in the library.

-Lunch Tickets will be on sale for \$5.00

-At the end of the Round Judges are to report back to the Judges' Lounge and Competitors are to report to the Cafeteria.

- All Rounds will be posted in the cafeteria.
- Speech Competitors will have their sheets for the Judges.
- Debate Judges will have the score sheets for the round.
- Judges are to complete the score sheets in a timely manner and bring them back to the tabroom at the end of the round.
- The 1st 3 rounds of speech and the 1st 2 rounds of debate will be randomly prescheduled.
- Rounds 1-3 of Parli will be Impromptu. Round 4 (and possible 5) will be the Prepared topic
- Speech will have a Final Round if time permits. If no final they will have a full fourth round
- LD, PF, BQ & Parli will have 5 Rounds, only if time permits
- Speech & Debate Awards will be given to the top 6 competitors. Top 3 Trophies, the remaining certificates or medallions.
- Congress Trophy wards will be to the PO and top 3 Speakers, remaining board will receive medallions
- Sweepstakes will be awards to the Top 2 schools in Speech, Debate and Overall.
- Each team may indicate 15 Speech competitors, 5 Debate and 2 Congress.
- Events may be eliminated or combined based on number of entries.

Judging Requirements

Speech	1 judge for every 4 competitors (of partners)
Debate	PF,LD, BQ & Parli 1 judge for every 2 individuals or teams
CX	1 judge for every 2 teams
Congress	All congress judges will come from the speech poll

There will be a charge of \$100 for every uncovered Judge.
 There will be a \$100 charge to your team for every judge replaced in a round.

PLEASE NOTE: All debate judges may be swapped in all types of debates. All speech judges are may be swapped in all speech and congress events.

Speech & Debate Schedule

7:15 – 8:45 Registration
8:30 Opening in Auditorium
8:45 Exempt & Commentary Starts
8:45 Judges Meeting in Room B114
9:00 – 10:15 Round 1
10:15 – 11:30 Round 2
11:30 – 12:45 Round 3
12:45 – 1:30 Lunch
1:30 – 3:00 Finals
3:30 Closing Ceremony

Congress Schedule

7:15 – 8:45 Registration
8:30 Opening in Auditorium
8:45 Judges Meeting in Room B114
9:00 – 12:00 Morning Session
12:00 – 12:45 Lunch
1:30 – 3:00 Afternoon Session
3:00 Voting
3:30 Closing Ceremony
Breaks determined by Parli

Parliamentary Debate Topics

Prepared – This House should substantially increase its investment in algae biofuels.

Extemporaneous Topic Areas:

1. Energy
2. Higher Education
3. Trade
4. Genetic Engineering
5. International Sports

Big Question Debate Topic

Resolved: Science leaves no room for free will.

-If there are any problems or concerns please feel free to email mshaffer@westasd.org or mshaffer7777@gmail.com or call my cell (724)601-3890. If you have drops please call ahead.

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