

AUBURN RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Coaches and Squads,

The Auburn Riverside Speech and Debate Team cordially invites you to attend our Speech and Debate Tournament on December 8-9, 2017. This tournament will offer Cross Examination, Lincoln Douglas, and Public Forum Debate, Washington State IEs in two divisions and will be a **State Qualifying Tournament** for WCD III schools. We are pleased to announce that we are also a NIETOC qualifying tournament! We will follow current WSFA rules for all events. The rules can be found at: <http://wiaa.com/subcontent.aspx?SecID=327>

SUPERVISION

The WIAA requires the presence, at all times, of a certificated staff member from the school or district supervising your participants. You will not be allowed to compete if you do not comply with this rule.

DEBATE

Please check www.speechanddebate.org for the accurate topic wording for all topics.

Lincoln-Douglas: We will offer 2 divisions of LD - Novice and Open. As this is a qualifying tournament in LD for many schools we will use the **November-December topic for ALL DIVISIONS**. Rounds will follow the 6-3-7-3-4-6-3 format and have 4 minutes of down time per competitor.

Cross Examination: We will offer two divisions of CX – Novice and Open. We will follow the Novice case area list as determined at the September WSFA meeting. Please inform you novice teams of their approved case areas. Rounds will follow the 8-3-5 format with 5 minutes of prep time per team.

Public Forum: At this time we will be offering two divisions of Public forum. We will use the December topic as published on the NSDA website. Please note that PF runs with LD and CX. Rounds will follow standard PF time format with 3 minutes of prep per team.

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

We will offer two divisions in all 8 Washington State events. Novice division is open to first year competitors only. **Anyone with one year of experience or more must register for Open Division**. All IEs compete at the same time and all events conflict. A student may enter more than one IE at their own risk. **ROUNDS WILL NOT BE HELD FOR MULTIPLE ENTRIES!**

PLEASE READ THE RULES CAREFULLY AS SOME HAVE CHANGED

Event rules

Extemporaneous: State Rules apply. Thirty minutes of prep time followed by **7 minutes** of speaking time. Judges will provide time signals while competitor is speaking. Novice speakers may use a 4x6 note card. **30 second grace period.**

Oratory: This is a memorized speech that has a **ten (10) minute time limit with a 30 second grace period.** A manuscript must be available on judge's request. The speech must have no more than 150 quoted words.

Expository: May be memorized or not memorized with an **8 minute time limit, 30 second grace period.** Visual aids are not required but are preferred by most judges. There may be no more than 150 quoted words.

Interpretation: All have a **ten (10) minute time limit with 30 second grace period.** Programs may be one or more selections of published prose, poetry, radio, or television scripts. The program must be memorized. Titles and authors must be identified during the program. Full body movement is allowed.

Humorous: This must be humorous in nature.

Dramatic: This must be dramatic in nature.

Duo: This may be serious or humorous in nature. Two people perform with no interaction except at introduction if they choose.

Interpretive Reading/POI: This is an **8 minute**, themed program with a balance of both prose and poetry. All pieces must be published and may not be plays. Titles and authors must be identified during the program. Delivery must be from a manuscript and the one step rule is to be enforced. The binder may be used to enhance the performance. **30 second grace period.**

Impromptu: The contestant will have **6 minutes** in which to choose one of three topics, prepare, organize thoughts, and speak. The topic of choice must be stated as part of the introduction. Judges will give time signals during prep time and while the contestant is speaking. All speakers are to remain in the room until all have performed. The only exception is for double entries. **30 second grace period.**

SPAR: SPontaneous ARgumentation. Please see the "Rules and Mechanics of SPAR" link on the homepage.

STUDENT CONGRESS

Two, two and a half hour sessions of Student Congress will be offered on Friday night. Both sessions will conflict with CX and LD. We plan on having two divisions, Open and Novice. There will be an appropriate number of chambers for the numbers of entries in each division

We will be using legislation from the WSFA packet as emailed out by the congress committee. If you need a copy of this document, please let me know. It will be posted online and will also be available via email.

There will be no copies of bills made at the tournament. Kindly bring enough copies for your team. This timeline should allow students to research and understand the topics at a greater level than surface knowledge.

We are holding a Super Congress on Saturday – students advancing will be announced ASAP on Friday night – if not posted before you leave, it will be posted on tabroom.com so you can check.

REGISTRATION AND FEES

Registration this year will occur through the website tabroom.com. The deadline for registration is **Wednesday, December 6, 2017**. Fees will be set on that day. Drops after that time will not be deducted from the entry fee. Please register early. Changes in registration must be made at the website through Thursday afternoon. Please make all your changes before Thursday.

Concerning adds, drops, and changes: Please, please, please make changes before **Thursday evening, December 7**. Tabroom will be open for changes until 5 pm on Thursday, December 7. Late changes have drastic impacts on the tournament schedule. Any late adds will be assessed a fee. Please make all changes by **Thursday evening, December 7**. The earlier you can get changes to your entries made, the better the chances are for an ON TIME or early tournament.

Fee Schedule:

Each School:	\$30.00	
Each CX team:	\$18.00	Each winning team gets two awards
Each LD:	\$10.00	
Each PF team:	\$18.00	Each winning team gets two awards
Each IE entry:	\$10.00	One student doing two events counts as two entries.
Each Duo Entry:	\$18.00/team	Each winning team gets two awards
Each Student Congress:	\$10.00	Awards for top PO and 5 top speakers in each house.

Make checks payable to Auburn Riverside Senior High School Forensics.

Payment of fees may be made in advance or at ARHS during registration. Acceptable methods of payment are 1) School Check, 2) School or District PO, or 3) Personal Check. Payment must be made before your team can compete.

Please keep track of your entries on the tabroom.com website. I will not be sending any sort of confirmation to you before the tournament. Coaches will be asked on Friday to check IE entries to ensure a smooth Saturday morning. Please take care of debate drops asap so that we can run on time on Friday.

JUDGING:

As there are conflicts in the schedule, please be sure to calculate your judging needs properly. We will not have a large number of judges for hire and need to be able to run the tournament efficiently. Please tell your judges when they need to be in the building to judge as we don't have a lot of free time. **IF YOUR JUDGES DO NOT SHOW WE WILL BE FORCED TO START DROPPING YOUR COMPETITORS – STARTING WITH YOUR MOST SENIOR PEOPLE IN THE EVENT YOUR JUDGES FAIL TO SHOW. THE NUMBER DROPPED WILL BE EQUAL TO THE RATIOS SHOWN BELOW. Ballots will be assigned by name and your judges must pick up their assigned ballots.**

- One judge covers **five (5) IE entries** and 3 LD, CX, or PuFo debate entries.
- One judge and one parliamentarian is required to be nominated and available for each school entering Student Congress participants.

- Your school is obligated to provide judges for the categories and divisions in which your students are entered.
- Senior division students with at least one full year of experience who are not competing at ARHS may judge novice division in the events in which they have experience.

Please remember: Lack of a judge at registration will result in an automatic reduction in your school's number of entries. If your judges do not pick up ballots we will drop competitors starting with Open Division until judging requirements are met. We will reduce numbers starting with your most senior debaters.

Directions

From I-5 or highway 18: Take the WA 18-East exit, number 142A. Take the WA 164-E/Auburn Way exit. Go straight through the light. Turn left onto A St. Stay on A St. through several lights, past the McDonalds on the left. Take a left onto Lakeland Hills Way SE, Ilalko Elementary will be on the corner on the left (there is no light here, just a left turn lane). Take the next left onto Oravetz Road. The bus-loading zone will be the first driveway at the high school, just to the right of the track. Please follow this around to the back of the school where you can park and unload.

Hotel information will be posted on the website.

Please contact us if you have any questions and we look forward to seeing everyone in December!

Sincerely,

Mark Davis
Director of Forensics

**Auburn Riverside Tournament Schedule
December 8-9, 2017**

Friday, December 8

2:30 – 3:15 am	Registration - Library
3:30 pm (or asap)	Debate – LD/CX/PF Round 1
4:00 pm	Congress Session 1
5:30 pm	Debate – LD/CX/PF Round 2
7:00 pm	Congress Session 2
7:30 pm	Debate – LD/CX/PF Round 3

Saturday, December 9

7:00 am	Registration (IE) only - Staff Lounge
7:30 am	IE Round 1 – ALL EVENTS (Extemp draw at 7:30)
9:00 am	Debate – LD/CX/PF Round 4 SuperCongress Session 1
11:00 am	IE Round 2 – ALL EVENTS (Extemp draw at 11:00)
12:30 pm	Debate – LD/CX/PF Round 5 SuperCongress Session 2
2:30 pm	IE Round 3 – ALL EVENTS (Extemp draw at 2:30)
4:00 pm	Debate – LD/CX/PF Round 6 (Hidden Semis)
6:00 pm (or asap)	IE Finals – ALL EVENTS (Extemp draw at 6:00)
7:30 pm	Debate – LD/CX/PF FINALS
8:00 pm (or asap)	AWARDS

- **Posting in the cafeteria/commons/main hallway**
- **Judge lounge in library**
- **Registration in library**
- **Extemp prep in 512**
- **TAB in Library and Career Center.**