

Fluvanna County High School

FLUCO CLASSIC

Forensics Invitational 2018

Dear Forensics Coach,

I am happy to extend an invitation to you and your team to attend the 6th Annual FLUCO Classic at Fluvanna High School. The Invitational will take place Saturday, January 13, 2018, at Fluvanna County High School in Palmyra, Virginia.

Information on the Invitational, entry fees, and general rules is included in this packet. Please feel free to email or call me with any questions. My team and I hope to see you and your team on January 13!

Sincerely,

Craig Edgerton

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General Guidelines:

1. Schools must register online with <http://flucoclassic.tabroom.com>. It is free to sign up and all info is online.
2. VHSL rules will be followed in all categories (except DUO Improv). Please consult the Forensics Manual on the VHSL website (www.vhsl.org) for contest rules.
3. Each student will compete in 3 preliminary rounds. The top 6 performers will compete in one Final Round. If numbers warrant it, the top 12 performers will compete in a Semi-Final Round.
4. All students may double enter. No triple entries.
5. Extempers are discouraged from double entering, but may do so at their own risk.
6. **No school may enter more than 5 contestants in any one category.**
7. A contestant may not use a speech, prepared selection, adaptation, or cutting used in a previous season.
8. Students may not enter more than one category with the SAME piece. EXAMPLE: A student who performs in Dramatic Interp (DI) may not use the same piece in Prose.
9. Coaches must have copies of student presentations in case of a challenge.
10. Students competing in Original Oratory must bring at least one copy of their speech to be turned in first round.
11. Students competing in Prose or Poetry should be using a black binder.
12. Students are expected to remain in the cafeteria when not competing.
13. A qualified judge must be provided for every five contestants, and every fraction thereof. If there are judges available for hire—cost will be \$100.00. You must request this ahead of time, to ensure judges are available.
14. All judges must be available for the final round.
15. A fee of \$10 per individual event will be charged. DUO teams are \$20 per team per event.
16. There is a \$20.00 registration fee per school.
17. Jan 9, 4pm-Registration/Judge deadline. Fees frozen. Jan 12, 4pm-Drop deadline. Drops after this time will be charged entry fee, plus \$15 nuisance fee. (However, substitutions are permitted.)
18. A \$100 drop fee will be assessed for each absentee judge on the day of the tournament. The team coach is responsible for securing judges.
19. Lunch should be ordered in advance. Please note your order online or via email.
20. All fees must accompany the registration form. (Or paid at time of registration if entry is faxed or emailed.) No personal checks can be accepted.

Deadlines:

- Jan 9, 4pm: Registration Deadline. No competitors can be added after this time. Entry fees frozen.
- Jan 12, 4pm: Drop deadline - **no penalty**. Substitutions will be allowed, with no penalty.
- Drops after this point will be charged entry fee, plus \$15 nuisance fee.

Address:

Fluvanna County High School, 1918 Thomas Jefferson Pkwy, Palmyra, VA, 22963

Hotels near Fluvanna County High School:

Here is a list of hotels closest to Palmyra. Please let us know if you are planning on staying overnight and we can recommend some restaurants or activities for the evening as needed.

Best Western Plus Cross Roads

135 Wood Ridge Terrace
Zions Crossroads, VA 22942
545-832-1700 ext 510
fax 540-832-1854

Comfort Inn-Monticello

2097 Inn Drive
Charlottesville, VA
(434) 977-3300

Hilton Garden Inn-Charlottesville

1793 Richmond Road
Charlottesville, VA
(434) 979-4442

Holiday Inn Charlottesville-Monticello

1200 5th Street Southwest
Charlottesville, VA 22902
(434) 977-5100

Events:

The tournament will feature competition in all VHSL events, including original oratory, extemporaneous, impromptu, prose, poetry, storytelling, dramatic interpretation, humorous interpretation, duo interpretation and duo improvisation (a non VHSL event).

Duo Improvisation:

Each duo will select 3 random scenes from an envelope. They will choose 1 scene to perform for each round (and place the other 2 scenes back in the envelope.) The competitors will have up to 3 minutes to prepare. They may end preparation early. At the end of 3 minutes, the judge will call for the speakers to present their improv. The total time for preparation and delivery cannot exceed 7 minutes. Both eye contact and physical contact is allowed between partners.

Awards:

Awards will be presented to the top six finalists in each speech category based upon cumulative scores for the day. 1st, 2nd, 3rd place will receive a trophy; 4th, 5th 6th place will receive a medal. A top team award will also be presented to the top "Large" team and top "Small" team.

Primary Rounds:

- All students will compete in 3 primary rounds.
- Students will be randomly grouped with other students from their category and divided into rooms. These divisions will change each round as enough students compete in that category.
- Students will be ranked 1-5 in each room (one being the best performance). If there are more than 5 students in any given room, more than one 5 will be awarded in that room.
- The top overall scores will advance to a Final Round.

Semi-Final Round:

- If numbers warrant it, the top 12 competitors will qualify for Semi-Finals.
- The Semi-Final Round will be used in combination with earlier rounds to determine individual winners in each category.
- The top students will perform their selection for a panel of 2-3 judges depending on the number of judges available.
- Each judge will independently rank the competitors in this round.
- No multiple scores will be given in this round.

Final Round:

- The top 6 competitors will qualify for Finals.
- The Final Round will be used in combination with earlier rounds to determine individual winners in each category.
- The top students will perform their selection for a panel of 2-3 judges depending on the number of judges available.
- Each judge will independently rank the competitors in this round.
- No multiple scores will be given in this round.
- Placing in each category will be based on the Final Round points added to the points from the first 3 rounds.

Sweepstakes Rules:

Schools will be divided up into large and small categories based on the number of entries. This number will be determined the day of the tournament.

In determining the overall winners, the following point system will be used:

7 points for first place in each final event round

5 points for second place in each final event round

3 points for third place in each final event round

1 point for fourth, fifth, and sixth places in each final event round

Fluvanna students will be participating, but will not be eligible for any sweepstakes awards.

Schedule (approximate):

Registration	8:00-9:00
Coach and Judge Meeting	9:00
Extemp Draw R1	9:00
Round 1	9:30
Extemp Draw R2	10:30
Round 2	11:00
Lunch	12:00
Extemp Draw R3	12:30
Round 3	1:00
Semis	2:30
Finals	4:00
Awards (approximate)	5:30

School Name: _____

Judges' Names: *(One judge for every 5 entries or part thereof; i.e. 5 competitors=1 judge, 6 competitors=2 judges)* Although we will not need every judge for finals, please plan to have them be available. _____

Fees:	Number	Cost Each	Total Cost
IE Entries		\$10	
Duo Entries		\$20	
Number of hired judges <small>(please confirm with Craig Edgerton before requesting)</small>		\$100	
School Entry Fee	1	\$20	\$20
Pepperoni (2 slices and drink)		\$5	
Cheese (2 slices and drink)		\$5	
Total Fees	XX	XX	

Checks should be made payable to Fluvanna County High School.

Students are encouraged to pre-order pizza. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase throughout the tournament.

Lunch will be provided free of charge to coaches and judges.

For Office Use Only:

Total A	
Number of late adds _____ @ \$15	
Number of late drops _____ @ \$15	
FINAL TOTAL:	

Check Number: _____ *Check Amount:* _____

Signature: _____ *Date:* _____

Please return this by the deadlines listed via mail, fax, or email:

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