

The 2013 Jefferson Middle School Fall Speech & Debate Tournament

Greetings to all the middle school speech and debate clubs and schools!

On Thursday, Oct. 24th, Jefferson Middle School will be hosting our league's first speech tournament of the 2013-2014 school year, and we hope that your school or organization will be joining us. Jefferson Middle School is a California Distinguished School based in San Gabriel. Speech and Debate has played a long-standing role in its student achievement, and JMS is a regular host to the SoCalJFL middle school tournaments.

Interested in joining us? Read on.

Entries:

Entries are due on 10/14/13. You may register your school and competitors at

<https://www.forensictournament.net/SCJFLFallSpeech/13>

League Fees:

\$200 for school league fee (will only apply once this school year and will go to league needs throughout the year.) See Mike Kyle for details if this is your first tournament of the school year.

Please make check out to SCJFL.

Tournament Fees:

In addition to the league fees, each contestant is subject to an entry fee.

\$10 per individual entry

\$20 per duo

Please make check out to Jefferson Middle School (memo line: Speech and Debate)

Upon Arrival:

Upon arrival, please look for signs to the media center. Teams and judges will be registered there. Competitors should wait in the gym or lunch table area for the 3:30 announcements. If a coach is not present at the tournament, a person of record must be present that is responsible for all the entries from a given organization.

A contact number of someone on campus must be given upon registration.

Additional Registration Information:

NOTE to ALL schools and organizations: In order to compete at this tournament and/or the tournament at Gabrielino on Oct. 5, you must file two forms. Both forms are easily attainable from your insurance company.

1. A Certificate of Insurance for \$1,000,000 naming **San Gabriel Unified School District** at the certificate holder

2. An Additional Insured Endorsement

BOTH forms should list the dates of BOTH Gabrielino and Jefferson tournaments if you are competing at both events.

BOTH forms must be received (can e-mail PDF) at feyka_j@sgusd.k12.ca.us by the Gabrielino registration deadline or to Jefferson by their registration deadline. Otherwise, our school district will not allow us to let you compete.

San Gabriel Unified will be happy to guide you through this process. Please contact Heather Wolpert-Gawron (tournament host) with the team contact name, organization, and contact number/email and her district will reach out to you to help you meet this new requirement.

Events:

Storytelling

Expository

SPAR (Spontaneous Argumentation)

Dramatic Interpretation

Duo Interpretation

Schedule:

3:30 – All schools meet in the gym for announcements and postings

3:45 – Doors close for Round 1

4:30 ish – Meet in gym for announcements and postings

4:45 – Doors close for Round 2

5:30ish – Meet in gym for announcements and postings

5:45 – Doors close for Round 3

6:30 – Meet in gym for announcements and Final Round Postings

Please note: Jefferson will decide IF a final round will occur or if awards will be granted based only on a 3-round tournament. This will depend on time. There will be a cut off time of 7:00. If the Final Round can't be posted before 7:00, there will be no final round at this tournament.

ASAP – Awards Ceremony in gym

Food and Entertainment:

Food Truck – Desserts and drinks will be sold at the tournament courtesy our friends of the Paradise Cookies and Desserts food truck. Their menu can be found at <http://www.theparadisetruck.com/>. Profits will be donated to our Speech and Debate team to help with buses and fees throughout the year.

Photo Booth – Bring a little money and your smiles for our fundraising photobooth! Take pictures with your friends, your family, and even your competitors. Remember our first tournament with a snapshot or picture strip from the event!

Pizza Sales – Our Yearbook staff will be selling pizza, chips, and drinks as a fundraiser as well.

Judging Requirements:

Each participating school or organization is being asked to supply 1 judge per 5 entries. Judging numbers and names should be submitted up to one week before the tournament or an insufficient judges fee will apply.

\$100/judge fee (one judge per 5 students)

We don't want your money, however. We want your judges! However, please inform your judges that they MUST be here for the training in order to help out.

Judges training will be held in the media center (library) at 3:15pm.

Address:

1372 E. Las Tunas Dr.

San Gabriel, CA 91776

Parking:

There is a large parking lot in the front of the school and parking along the side of the school. However, we anticipate that these options will fill up, so please plan to find parking on the street if necessary.

Contact:

Questions, comments, concerns? Feel free to send an email to sgusdwolpert@gmail.com. Heather Wolpert-Gawron, Bulldog coach, will be happy to answer any questions. If there are problems the day of the tournament, please call the following:

Heather (tournament host) cell: 818-331-9739

Robert Cannon (league president): (323) 309-4698