

2020 SCJFL 4th Quarter Elementary Speech & Debate Tournament

Greetings to all elementary school speech and debate clubs and schools! On Saturday, **May 9th 2020**, we will be hosting the fourth elementary speech tournament of the 2019-2020 school year virtually. We hope your school or organization will join us.

Entries:

You may register competitors at:

<https://forensicstournament.net/SCJFLElementaryTournamentThree/20>

We will close entries on Tues. May 5th at noon, PST. All fees will be set at that time.

NEW!!! Online Tournament Guidelines:

- All minors (including judges) are required to have a guardian on screen. This is to ensure responsibility and safety. However, middle school judges can turn in the waiver on the registration site if they want to avoid having a guardian present. This waiver applies to judges NOT competitors.
- All participants, judges and competitors, are required to read the SCJFL Online Tournament Participation Best Practice document that is posted on the registration site. This document includes guidelines for software, internet and system requirements. It also includes tips that will be helpful to all those participating in the tournament.

REMINDER: All students who have received a trophy in any event (regardless of what novice event they are applying to enter), are no longer eligible for a novice division. Additionally, any students who have participated in more than four tournaments are no longer eligible for the novice division.

Pattern A Events:

- Open SPAR and Novice SPAR (Format: 2 prep, 2-2-4-2-2)
- Congress (Bills are due 4/22/2020 and will be posted on 4/23/2020)
- Public Forum: (Resolved: The United States should ban all firearms.)

Public Forum Times for Elementary

First Speaker – Team A 2 minutes

First Speaker – Team B 2 minutes

Crossfire 1.5 minutes

Second Speaker – Team A 2 minutes

Second Speaker – Team B 2 minutes
Crossfire 1.5 minutes
Summary – First Speaker – Team A 1 minute
Summary – First Speaker – Team B 1 minute
Grand Crossfire 1.5 minutes
Final Focus – Second Speaker – Team A 1 minute
Final Focus – Second Speaker – Team B 1 minute
Prep Time 1 minute per team

Pattern B Events:

- Storytelling (5 mins.)
- Poetry (5 mins. - manuscript required)
- Informative (5 mins. – Audio-visual aids are optional)
- Impromptu (7 minute bank)
 - Round 1 - Proverbs
 - Round 2 - Abstract Nouns
 - Round 3 - Concrete Nouns
 - Final Round - Leadership Quotations
- Declamation (5 mins.)
- Original Oratory/Persuasive (5 mins.)
- DUO (6 mins.)

In the event that there are not enough entries to Novice SPAR, the event will be collapsed into one division.

As per the new by-laws, all judge training is the responsibility of the school submitting their judges. We can still offer a brief refresher course but all judges should be expected to already know what they're in for. Teams who supply grossly unprepared judges will be charged a nuisance fee of \$50.

Schedule:

8:30 am Registration Debate/ Debate Judge Training
Pattern A Debate (SPAR & Public Forum)
9:00 am Round 1 (SPAR, Public Forum)
10:30 am Round 2 (SPAR, Public Forum)
11:45 am Round 3 (SPAR, Public Forum)

1:00 pm Finals (SPAR, Public Forum)

Pattern A Debate (Congress)

9:00 am Round 1 (Congress)

10:30 am Round 2 (Congress)

12:00 pm Finals (Congress)

Pattern B Speech (Storytelling, Poetry, Informative, Impromptu, Declamation, Original Oratory, Storytelling)

12:30 pm Registration Speech/ Speech Judge Training

2:00 pm Speech Round 1

3:30 pm Speech Round 2

4:30 pm Speech Round 3

6:00 pm Finals

6:45 pm Awards

Judging Requirements:

For Speech/SPAR/Congress, each participating school or organization must supply 1 judge per 5 entries. For Public Forum, each participating school or organization must supply 1 judge per 2 entries. If you need to register judges but don't know their names yet, please use your school name with a number to indicate the judges you will be providing (i.e. Wilshire judge 1; Wilshire judge 2; etc.)

If your team is using place holders please be sure to update them to the actual name of the judge prior to the sing-up deadline.

All Judges must indicate whether they are available for the debate pattern, the speech pattern or both. The fee for an uncovered judge is \$125 and the fee for a judge being absent the day of the tournament is \$200.

Fees:

\$10 per individual entry (Duo and Public Forum is \$20). Please make checks out to SCJFL.

For schools that have not already paid their league fees, payments must be made to and are due the day of the tournament. The fees are as follows: \$200 for schools that only compete at the elementary level and \$400 for schools that compete at the elementary and middle school level. Any additional tournament fees should be paid separately to SCJFL. Per the bylaws, all schools must send one representative to

volunteer at one of the upcoming SCJFL tournaments. Schools that do not pay their league fees or sign up to volunteer will have their entries dropped.

Registration:

For each school, we recommend you set up a virtual room for your competitors to check in during the tournament. All competitors, make sure you test your connections before competition starts.

Postings will be 100% online

Rules: All rules can be found in the SCJFL by-laws at SCJFL.org

Media Release: By signing up for this tournament, participants have agreed that the participation will be done in an online format. Images/Videos taken by the tournament staff may be used to promote Speech & Debate and future SCJFL tournaments. We may not be able to prevent the images/videos to be taken by other parties.

Tournament host: Wilshire Academy & Nova 42 Academy

Tournament director: Hafize Ebru Dogan – Nova 42 Academy