

2021 SCJFL Q4 Elementary Speech & Debate Online Tournament-April 24th

Greetings to all elementary school speech and debate clubs and schools! On Saturday, April 24th, 2021, we will be hosting the fourth elementary speech tournament of the 2020-2021 school year. We hope your school or organization will join us.

Entries:

All current SCJFL Elementary School Programs are invited to register. We will close entries on Tues. April 20th at noon, PST. All fees will be set at that time.

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.

Online Tournament Guidelines:

-All competitors are required to have a guardian on-screen during rounds unless they have turned in a waiver form. Judges will be instructed to require an adult guardian to be present for all competitors who haven't agreed to a waiver. These students will not be allowed to stay in the room without the guardian (meaning, they must be present the entire time of the round).

-All participants (judges and competitors) are required to read the SCJFL Online Tournament Participation Best Practice document that is posted on the registration site.

Pattern A Events:

- Open SPAR and Novice SPAR (Format: 2 prep, 2-2-4-2-2)
- Congress (Bills are due 4/5/21 and will be posted on registration site by 4/7/21)
- Public Forum: (Resolved: On balance, the benefits of urbanization in West Africa outweigh the harms.)

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 - Quotations
 - Round 2 - Abstract Nouns
 - Round 3 - Concrete Nouns
 - Final Round - Proverbs
- 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.

Schedule:

Pattern A Debate (SPAR, Public Forum & Congress)

8:00 am Judge Check-In at <https://8x8.vc/SCJFLelemstandby>
8:30 am Round 1 (SPAR, Public Forum, Congress)
10:00 am Round 2 (SPAR, Public Forum, Congress)
11:30 am Round 3 for SPAR, Public Forum / Finals for Congress Only
1:00 pm Finals for SPAR, Public Forum Only

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

1:00 pm Judge Check-In at <https://8x8.vc/SCJFLelemstandby>
2:00 pm Speech Round 1
3:30 pm Speech Round 2
4:45 pm Speech Round 3
6:15 pm Finals
ASAP Awards

Judging Requirements & Uncovered Judge Fees:

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. QD Learning judge 1; QD Learning 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 sign-up deadline.

IMPORTANT: All Judges must indicate whether they are available for Pattern A, Pattern B, or both. A "covered judge" means all rounds in that event. If a judge can only judge one round than that is only a portion of the required coverage. **All rounds must be covered**, meaning all judges in that event can not just sign up for round 2.

As per 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.

The fee for an uncovered judge for Speech/SPAR/Congress is \$20 **PLUS** the entry fee. The fee for an uncovered judge for Public Forum is \$50 **PLUS** the entry fee.

Fees & Payment Information:

\$10 per individual entry (Duo and Public Forum is \$20).

Please note that payment for this tournament must be made through the TOURNAMENT FEES tab on the left side of the registration page. The tournament will not accept checks or payments through Venmo or Zelle.

Changes or drops after Tues. April 20th, 2021 at 12pm PST will be charged a \$10 nuisance fee per change or drop.

League Fees:

Teams will need to pay league fees, give proof of insurance, and sign up to volunteer for future tournaments or they will not be eligible for this tournament. Please contact league treasurer Stella Gu to bring your account current: sguus68@gmail.com.

Postings will be 100% online

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

Online Tournament Help and Judges Room:

During the tournament judges and coaches can sign into our online room for help/assistance at 8x8.vc/SCJFLelemhelp

Tournament host: Confident Classrooms (Barking Oaks)

Tournament director: Jim Dobson – Confident Classrooms