

LINCOLN PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE LEAGUE FALL 2023 INVITATION

Hello friends!

We hope that you and your program are doing well as we begin another season that we hope will be defined by fruitful and engaging competition. Below, you will find information regarding LPDL tournament fees and a "typical" tournament schedule based on recent tournament size (subject to change). As always, please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions and/or concerns. We can't wait to see you soon!

It is our hope to return to the roots of the Lincoln Parliamentary debate league this season. To that end, we are planning on offering ONLY parliamentary debate at our Fall tournament as long as entry size allows. We are excited to introduce a new generation of students to the world of parliamentary debate and are even more excited to see how this generation of students helps to shape the activity moving forward.

Best,

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TOURNAMENT FEES:

\$50 – Yearly membership fees

\$5 – Each participant at a workshop or scrimmage

\$10 – Each covered team entered into the tournament (each judge covers 2 teams)

\$50 – Each uncovered team entered into the tournament

(note: a full team fee is charged for Maverick teams, while a half-fee is charged for each member of a hybrid team)

Financial Hardship Waiver: Programs facing significant budget restrictions may discuss a financial hardship membership and/or entry fee waiver with a member of the LPDL board.

Tournament Schedule:

11:30 - Registration (Watson 237)

Noon - ROUND ONE

1:20 - ROUND TWO

2:40 - ROUND THREE

4:00 - ROUND FOUR

Short dinner break. There are many places that deliver to campus. We recommend delivery. If we can bump up any rounds, we will.

5:45 - ROUND FIVE OR *Bronze/Silver AND Silver/Gold Rounds*

7:00 - ROUND SIX

ASAP - AWARDS

Tournament Registration:

Please submit entries using FTN by 5:00pm on Wednesday, December 6th.

Adds after Wednesday, December 6th at 5:00pm will be accepted as possible given judge and room availability.

Drops after Thursday, December 7th at 4:00pm will incur a \$25.00 fee per drop. Name substitutions will be accepted with no charge up until Thursday, December 7th at 4:00pm.

LPDL TOURNAMENT REMINDERS:

LPDL does allow internet access during prep time.

LPDL does allow flex time.

LPDL does not allow intrasquad interaction or coaching during prep time.

LPDL encourages highly respectful debate that encourages the education of all competitors.

As per the LPDL Constitution, if the tournament size permits (16 or more teams entered), there will be 6 prelim rounds with no final. Awards are based on preliminary standings only. If the tournament size does not permit (15 or fewer teams), there will be 4 prelim rounds with an appropriate amount of Final Rounds as per Article VII, Section 20 of the LPDL By-Laws. Coaches will be notified on Thursday of the rounds.

TOURNAMENT HOST INFORMATION

The best place to park at NIU is in the visitor pay lot right next to the Founder's Memorial Library, anywhere else on a Friday at NIU will likely get a fine.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Matt's cell (785) 969-5399.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Friday, December 8th at NIU!