



THE RAY DAHLIN INVITATIONAL

October 1, 2026

Dear Colleagues,

The Palomar College Forensics Team is proud to announce the Ray Dahlin Invitational. This Individual Events and IPDA open-division tournament will be held **Friday, November 13 at Palomar College**.

The Ray Dahlin Invitational will offer:

- Two preliminary rounds of competition breaking to final rounds in the early evening.
- Four rounds of IPDA with two elims to run concurrently with IE's.
- A swing tournament opportunity in conjunction with the Griffin Invitational to be held Saturday and Sunday.
- An assortment of food for the judges and **lunch provided for the students**.
- Sweepstakes trophies for the top three 4-year and 2-year schools. **We will not be offering a novice division.**
- The "Patrick Mills" limited prep speaker award will be given to the top speaker in short prep.
- Top IPDA award will be presented to the top speaker in IPDA. Top Novice Awards will be presented in each Individual Event.

We look forward to seeing you at the Ray Dahlin Invitational.

Sincerely,
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Tournament Schedule

Friday, November 13, 2026

9:00 AM Registration – MD 157

9:30 - IPDA Round 1: Flight A Prep Start (SCHEDULE CHANGE: Earlier Start)

9:45 Extemp Draw

10:00 -11:15 Speech Round I: Pattern A

10:00 - IPDA Round 1: Flight A Round Start, Flight B Prep Start

10:30 - IPDA Round 1: Flight B Round Start

11:15 - IPDA Round 2: Flight A Prep Start

11:15 Extemp Draw

11:30 - 12:45 Speech Round II: Pattern A

11:45 - IPDA Round 2: Flight A Round Start, Flight B Prep Start

12:15 - IPDA Round 2: Flight B Round Start

1:00 - IPDA Round 3: Flight A Prep Start

1:15-2:30 Speech Round I: Pattern B

1:30 - IPDA Round 3: Flight A Round Start, Flight B Prep Start

2:00 - IPDA Round 3: Flight B Round Start

2:30-3:45 Speech Round II: Pattern B,

2:45 - IPDA Round 4: Flight A Prep Start

3:15 - IPDA Round 4: Flight A Round Start, Flight B Prep Start

3:45 - IPDA Round 4: Flight B Round Start

3:45 Extemp Draw

4:00 - 5:15 Speech Pattern A Finals

4:45 - IPDA Bronze Round: Prep Start

5:15 - IPDA Bronze Round: Round Start

5:30 - 6:45 Speech Pattern B Finals,

6:00 - IPDA Gold Round: Prep Start

6:30 - IPDA Gold Round: Round Start

7:00 or ASAP Awards Ceremony

Pattern A: Extemp, Informative, Poetry, Prose, STE Pattern B:
Impromptu, Duo, Persuasion, P.O.I, Drama, CA Pattern C: IPDA



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Entry Fees:

\$20.00 School Fee

\$10.00 Per I.E. slot

\$20.00 Per Duo team

\$ 25.00 Per IPDA

Please make all checks out to Palomar College Foundation.

Judging Information:

- One I.E. judge covers five slots per pattern.
- One IPDA judge covers three debaters.
- Uncovered slots will not be allowed.
- Novice only and Junior only judges are not permitted. All judges are expected to be ready to judge Open competition.
- Schools must bring separate judges for IPDA and IE events. We reserve the right to limit IPDA entry if necessary.

Entry Procedure: Entries must be sent by using the [forensicstournament.net](http://www.forensicstournament.net) website:

<http://www.forensicstournament.net>. There is no separate division for novices. All competitors will compete in a single open division. Entries must be completed by 5pm on Tuesday, November 10th. If you have a question regarding your entry, please contact Dewi Hokett at dhokett@palomar.edu

Drop Fees: A \$5 drop fee will be assessed after 5PM Tuesday, November 11th.

Events and Rules:

- 11 Individual events will be offered in open division only. A.F.A. Event Descriptions will apply. We will use A.F.A. style for impromptu.
- **Students may enter a maximum of two events per pattern.**
- **Students may not enter both IPDA and IE's. You must choose one or the other.**
- In conjunction with the rules of the Griffin Invitational, no material used in competition shall have been used by the student in intercollegiate competition prior to September 1, 2026.
- If Palomar students compete at the tournament, they will not be eligible for sweepstakes awards or points.



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Sweepstakes Points

1st Place- 10 points

2nd Place- 8 points

3rd Place- 6 points

Finalist- 4 points

Lodging:

Hotels closest to the college. We do not have a “tournament” hotel.

Fairfield Marriott and Suites

227 W. San Marcos Blvd.

San Marcos, CA 92069

760-891-0111

Residence Inn by Marriott

1245 Los Vallecitos Blvd

San Marcos, CA 92069

760-591-9828:

Directions to Grossmont College:

From L.A. or other northern cities:

Take the 5 North to 78 Fwy East to Las Positas Road.

Turn right on Grand Blvd, Left on Las Positas.

Turn right on Avenida Azul. Use Parking Structure.

From 1-15 South, go to 78 FWY West. Follow the directions above. **From San**

Diego: 5 to 78 East, or 1-15 to 78 West. Follow the directions above.



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