**Cabot Classic**

**Forensics & Debate Tournament**

**January 25-26, 2019**

**Entry deadline Friday, Jan. 18, 2019**

The Cabot High School Varsity Forensics & Debate teams are pleased to invite you and your students to the Cabot Classic Forensics & Debate Tournament to be held on January 25-26, 2019.  The Cabot Classic is a qualifying tournament for the ACTAA State Tournament.

 NSDA events will have two prelim rounds, and ACTAA events will have one prelim round.  Semis and Finals will be determined depending on the number of entries for each event.   A tentative schedule is attached.

 We will offer sweepstakes awards to the divisions of large, small and junior high schools, and we will offer sweepstakes in the categories of Over-All Debate Sweeps and Over-All Speech Sweeps.

Registration will take place on Joy of Tournaments.

Pattern A events will consist of DI, HI, Duo Interp, U.S. and International Extemp, Oratory, Informative Speaking, POI, Impromtu Speaking.  Pattern B events will consist of Varsity Prose, Novice Prose, Varsity Poetry, Novice Poetry, Storytelling, and Improv.  RT and WM will be held Friday night before Pattern A prelims begin.   Debate offerings will be Varsity and Novice Policy, Varsity and Novice PF, Varsity and Novice LD and Student Congress.    PLEASE check over the schedule carefully.

**This year we are dividing Prose and Poetry.  We will have a varsity and novice division.  Students entering the NOVICE division of poetry and prose should be FIRST year students competing at the high school level.  We trust the coach to enter students in the correct division.  If a student is entered in the wrong division, it will result in that student being disqualified from the tournament. Students in the novice division will still be able to qualify for the Arkansas State Tournament with the same tournament qualifying guidelines.  (The Arkansas State Tournament director has given permission for this division.)**

**We are offering a "fun event" this year at the Cabot Classic.  The event is Song Lyric Interpretation.  This event will not be calculated in sweepstakes tabbing.  Trophies will be awarded.  SLI will take place in Pattern B.  Finals for SLI will take place on the main stage before the awards ceremony. Song Lyric Interp should be set up like a POI using song lyrics. The time limit is 5 minutes with a 30 second grace. SLI may be dramatic or humorous. Use of performance notebook is mandatory. Movement is optional. BE CREATIVE…HAVE FUN!**

**Impromptu Topic areas**:

Prelim Round 1: General School Courses

Prelim Round 2: Quotes from "The Office"

Semis: Music albums released in 2018

Finals: Time Magazine's top 100 most influential people of 2018

We will offer both IX and US Extemp.  We have chosen one topic area for each round.  Your extemp students need to only research the topics assigned for each round.

The following are the topic areas for each round:

**Domestic Extemp.**

Prelims Round 1: Trump and the media

Prelims Round 2: American foreign relations

Semis: American economic growth

Finals: 2018 mid-term election impacts on the current political climate

 **International Extemp.**

Prelims Round 1:  America's foreign relations with Russia.

Prelims Round 2:  North Korea Nuclear conflict.

Semis:  Global Economics

Finals:  Upcoming elections in other countries

**JR. High Extemp**

Prelim topic area:  U. S. Education System

Semis topic area:  President Donald Trump

Finals topic area:  United States environmental issues.

We will allow jr. high students to use ONE note card while delivering their speech.

After drawing topic, students MUST use the extemp prep room to write their speeches.

There is no cap on number of entries; however, please make sure students understand NO ROUND WILL BE HELD TO ACCOMMODATE LATE STUDENTS.

In order to promote fairness and efficiency please follow the judge commitment guideline of one judge per 25 IE entries and one judge per 4 PF and LD debate entries, one judge per 2 CX debate entries, one judge per 6 congress entries, and one judge for the group events.

Registration will begin at 4:00 pm.  Please do not arrive on campus before 4:00 pm.

Please direct questions or concerns to jennifer.akers@cps.k12.ar.us  or  callie.ham@cps.k12.ar.us .

**Forensics Schedule**

**Friday**

4:00                                               Registration

4:30 - 6:00                                     Readers Theater and Words and Music

                                                      (Events will run at the same time.  Please perform in the order assigned.)

6:00                                               Draw Extemp Prelim Round 1

6:30 - 8:00                                    Pattern A Prelim Round 1

8:00                                               Draw Extemp Prelim Round 2

8:30 - 10:00                                   Pattern A Prelim Round 2

 **Saturday**

8:00 - 9:30                                      Pattern B Prelims

9:00 Draw Extemp Semis

9:30 - 11:00                                    Pattern A Semis

12:00 - 1:00                                    Pattern B Semis

1:00                                                Draw Extemp Finals

1:30 - 2:30                                      Pattern A Finals

2:30 – 3:30                                     Pattern B Finals

3:30 Song Lyric Interp Finals on main stage

**Debate Schedule**

**Friday**

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| **TIME** | **PF and LD** | **CX** |
| 4:00 PM | Round 1 | Round 1 |
| 5:00 PM |   |   |
| 6:00 PM | Round 2 | Round 2 |
| 7:00 PM |   |   |
| 8:00 PM | Round 3 | Round 3 |
| 9:00 PM |   |   |
| 10:00 PM |   |   |

**Saturday**

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| **TIME** | **PF and LD** | **CX** |
| 8:00 AM | Round 4 | Round 4 |
| 9:00 AM |   |   |
| 10:00 AM | Octas | Quarters |
| 11:00 AM | Quarters |   |
| NOON |   | Semis |
| 1:00 PM | Semis |   |
| 2:00 PM | Finals | Finals |
| 3:00 PM |   |   |
| 4:00 PM |   |   |
| 5:00 PM |   |   |

**Congress Schedule**

Saturday

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| Time | Session |
| 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM  | Session 1 |
| 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM | Session 2 |
| 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Super Session |

Docket will be released at a later date.

We will be offering *4 rounds* in all debate events. We are offering Novice and Varsity divisions in Public Forum, Lincoln Douglas, and Policy debate.

We will be using the official NSDA resolutions for all events. Please see the NSDA website:  <https://www.speechanddebate.org/topics/>

LD will get 5 minutes prep. CX will get 10. PF will remain at 2.

Public Forum will*not*flip before the round. Sides will be locked to allow for side balance and to better facilitate the tabulation process.

Judges should make their best effort to fulfill their commitment. 3 rounds are owed for every team entered.

The tournament directors *strongly advise* that teams debating each other in out rounds advance the higher seed. This saves judges, rooms, and helps expedite the tournament. Coaches who choose for their teams to debate each other will be responsible for securing the appropirate number of affiliated judges for the round. We will not break brackets.

Internet Use

We will follow the new NSDA guidelines concering internet use. Students may connect to CSD-Guest wifi.

Disclosure

We request that all Varsity LDers and Varsity Policy Debaters have updated their wikis: If you're not on the wiki it is very easy to create your team and upload your cites. Email me if you need help with this.

Policy: https://hspolicy.debatecoaches.org/

LD: https://hsld.debatecoaches.org/

Judge disclosure is highly encouraged. We will have ballot runners that can take your ballot for you after the round has finished. Judges should feel free to provide a reason for decision and verbal, constructive feedback.

Once the deadline has passed, please email Callie Ham your drops and changes: callie.ham@cps.k12.ar.us

**Jr. High Tentative Schedule and General Information**

**Friday:**

4:30 – 5:30                                        RT and  WM

(Events will run at the same time.  Please perform in the order you are assigned.)

5:30                                                   Extemp Draw - See below in general information for topic areas.

6:00 – 7:30                                       Pattern A Prelims

7:30                                                  Extemp Semis Draw

 (If needed.  If we do not need semis – finals will speak on Saturday.)

8:00 – 9:30                                        Pattern A Semis

 **Saturday:**

8:00 - 9:30                                       Pattern B Prelims

9:30                                                  Extemp Finals Draw

10:00 - 11:00                                   Pattern A Finals

11:30 - 12:30                                   Pattern B Semis

1:30 - 2:30                        Pattern B Finals

 **Please read general information below**

**General Information:**

~There is no limit on number of entries a student may enter; however, please remind students that rounds WILL NOT be held after the time for the round to end.  Pattern A is packed with events…tell students not to over load themselves…be realistic with what they can handle within a time period.

~We will run U. S. Extemp only for jr. high.  There will be one topic area for each round that we will pull questions.

Prelim topic area:  Trump in the media.

Semis topic area:  American foreign relations.

Finals topic area:  2018 Elections results and their impact.

We will allow jr. high students to use ONE note card while delivering their speech.

After drawing topic, students MUST use the extemp prep room to write their speeches.

~We will be utilizing one year out and Cabot high school team members to judge jr high students.  I personally will choose which Cabot varsity members that are allowed to judge.  I promise they will be fair and unbiased.  They will only be used when absolutely needed.

~We will have medallions for all finalist, trophies for all 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners, and sweeps trophies for jr. high division.  And don’t forget…all 1st place winners will also receive a stuffed narwhal!