

2020 IVC Fall Classic

October 10, 2020

Welcome to the 13th annual "2020 IVC Fall Classic." We wish to express our appreciation to our host: *The Irvine Valley College Speech & Debate Team*. As always, the purpose of this tournament is to provide students with an opportunity to debate with their peers on a topic, which is both significant and controversial. We hope everyone is doing well in critical situation with the COVID-19. We will do virtual tournament and mor detail information such as judge orientation, requirement for competitors, and related things to the tournament.

Events: PF Debate: Open Public Forum (Elementary, Middle, and High School)
LD Debate: Open Lincoln Douglas (Middle, and High School)

Divisions: Elementary, Middle School, High School

Topics: NSDA PF Topic (September/October 2020) - *Resolved: The United States federal government should enact the Medicare-For-All Act of 2019.*

NSDA LD Topic (September/October 2020) - *Resolved: In a democracy, voting to be compulsory.*

Tournament Information

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Date: October 10, 2020 (Saturday)

Schedule:

08:10-08:30 am	Mandatory Orientation for Competitors (& Judges)
08:30-10:30 am	Debate Round 1 (PF, LD - Preset, Flight A&B)
10:30-12:30 am	Debate Round 2 (PF, LD - Preset, Flight A&B)
12:30-01:00 pm	Lunch (Provided for Debaters and Judges only)
01:00-03:00 pm	Debate Round 3 (PF, LD - Power Matched, Flight A&B)
03:00-05:00 pm	Debate Round 4 (PF, LD - Power Matched, Flight A&B)
5:20 pm or ASAP	Awards

Location: **Irvine Valley College**
Address: 5500 Irvine Center Drive, Irvine, CA 92618
Please enter using Parking Lot 5 located on Jeffrey Street
Building: Business Science and Technology Innovation center (BSTIC)

Fees: \$60 School Fee (includes judges)
\$50 per individual (includes lunch)
Please make checks payable to "MLA" (or Magnet Learning Academy)

Awards: Trophies and medals awarded for 1st-8th place team in each of the three divisions.
Trophies and medals awarded for 1st-10th place speaker in each of the three divisions.

Registration:

1. Enter your school's teams using <http://www.forensicstournament.net/>
2. Entries must be submitted by 5pm, October 5, 2020. Any drops or substitutions must be submitted by 5 pm, October 8, 2020. All entries are assigned on a first come, first serve basis! (Teams submitted after the deadline(s) will be put onto a 'wait list').

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NSDA RULES

NSDA Rules for Public Forum Debate will be followed, except for whatever has been contradicted in this invitation, the tournament website, or the information packet written for this tournament.

Debate Rules (NSDA Rules)

NSDA Rules for Public Forum and Lincoln-Douglas Debate will be followed, except for whatever has been contradicted in this invitation, the tournament website, or the information packet written for this tournament.

Public Forum Debate:

We will follow NSDA rules: 4-4-3-4-4-3-3-3-2-2 with 3 minutes of preparation time.

Lincoln Douglas Debate:

We will follow the standard high school NSDA rules: 6-3-7-3-4-6-3 with 4 minutes of preparation time.

Eligibility

This tournament is unrestricted, so technically anyone of the appropriate grade level can enter the tournament regardless of experience; however, many of our competitors will have limited debate experience. In the future we will attempt to separate by both grade level and by experience. Currently we do NOT offer a “novice” division. For this tournament, there will be three “open” debate completion levels: ***Elementary Division*** (grades 4-6), ***Middle School Division*** (grades 7-8) and ***High School Division*** (grades 9-12).

Evidence is encouraged!

Students can bring ANY research materials with them and allowed to read from printed materials. As per the tournament invite, this is a tournament that uses the public forum topic and the public forum format but with a more academic focus than is typical. Thus, the expectation is that in-depth, evidence-based debates SHOULD occur, but teams are not encouraged to just read pages of evidence without providing some context or organization to their speeches.

No Electronic Retrieval or Coaching During Debate Rounds

Do not access the internet, nor accept coaching during the actual debate rounds (after and/or between debate rounds is perfectly acceptable). This includes the use social media, calling coaches/friends, etc. Anyone caught using the internet or accepting coaching while the debate round is in progress will be severely reprimanded and may be ***dropped from the tournament without a refund.*** If you observe anyone using the internet to do research, or to solicit advice from friends (or coaches) while the debate is taking place, please report those individuals to your teacher/coach or to the tournament staff.

Changes to the Judging Form

The judge’s ballot will be slightly altered so that each debater receives an individual score, in addition to the team score. We will be awarding speaker awards in addition to team awards, which would not be possible without modifying the ballot. This is a minor change, which will not directly impact the students’ actual debating.