

Crossman Invitational

October 16-18, 2020

Greetings Colleagues:

The El Camino forensics coaches and students hope you are surviving the pandemic are pleased to invite you to the Crossman Invitational, a synchronous tournament to be hosted 100% online using 8x8. Since food is not being provided, fees have been lowered 20% from last year—our awards require a minimum level of fees for the tournament to break even. The tournament is open to both two- and four-year schools.

To get your students the maximum experience, NPDA will run from Friday afternoon through Saturday with 6 prelims, going to true finals. If entries warrant, we will offer 3 divisions. IPDA, NFA-LD, and IEs will run Sunday. In IPDA and NFA-LD we will have 4 prelims in 2 divisions and utilize the bronze/silver/gold format. 11 Individuals Events will have 2 prelims in 2 divisions to finals. Students can enter NPDA, and *either* IPDA, NFA-LD, or IEs.

RULES Generally, all events will follow PSCFA guidelines which generally follow NPDA and AFA rules. The following are selected rules recently adopted by PSCFA for online tournaments; you can read the full text at [PSCFA.org](https://www.pscfa.org)

Internet loss During Competition: IE competitors who are giving a speech and lose their internet connection are allowed 3 minutes to reconnect before they forfeit their opportunity to finish the speech. They will then be judged on what was presented before they lost internet. For debate Competitors, the judge will start a running clock until they return to the round and the amount of time over 3 minutes will be deducted from their speech time. If the time for the speech has expired, the debate round will continue with the following speech. In partnered debate, partners cannot finish the speech for the person who dropped.

General: No persons may participate or contribute to students who are competing during the round. Single camera set-up only is allowed. Video and/or audio manipulation is prohibited. Physical audiences, except for incidental occurrences and ADA assistants, are prohibited.

Debate: In accordance with NPDA Bylaws, electronic/laptop flowing by debaters in a round is allowed. Cutting and pasting previously prepared material as well as flowing done by anyone not in the round on a shared spreadsheet is prohibited. Parli partners may communicate with each other during the round by phone or electronically.

IEs: Electronic visual aids are permitted. Duo/RT performers may not compete in the same physical space.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION There are several videos to help you and your students feel more comfortable with online tournaments and provide a more successful and enjoyable experience. They are as follows:

[How Virtual Tournaments Work on forensicstournament.net](https://www.forensicstournament.net)

[Step-by-Step Guide for Competitors](#)

[Guide to Online Judging](#)

ELIGIBILITY A novice is defined as a competitor with no significant high school experience, is in his or her first two semesters of competition, who has not advanced to elimination rounds at more than two tournaments in NPDA or IPDA, or taken 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place twice in IEs. A junior competitor is one who has not competed for more than four semesters, and who has not advanced to elimination rounds in junior division at more than two tournaments in NPDA or IPDA. We adhere to the NPDA policy on gender/sexual harassment.

SHOW ME THE MONEY AWARDS Students will receive Amazon gift cards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd/Gold, Silver, Bronze place at \$20, \$15, \$10 respectively. Speaker awards will be given in NPDA with monetary awards for the top three speakers in each division. The top three institutions in both 2- and 4-year divisions will be recognized for sweepstakes and congratulatory emails will be sent to the administration of those schools. The PSCFA formula will be used to determine standings and El Camino will be ineligible for sweeps. All awards will be announced at the virtual awards ceremony on Sunday night.

All entries are due by 6:00pm on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 on <http://www.forensicstournament.net> Changes can be made through Wednesday, October 14 at 6:00pm, at which time fees, including hired judge fees, will be set.

We hope to see you all here!

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The Crossman Invitational 2020

Schedule of Events

Friday, October 16, 2020

1:00-2:00	REGISTRATION
2:00	Topic Announce Round 1
2:20-3:10	NPDA Round 1
3:30	Topic Announce Round 2
3:50-4:40	NPDA Round 2
5:00	Topic Announce Round 3
5:20-6:10	NPDA Round 3

Saturday, October 17, 2020

8:30	Topic Announce Round 4
8:50-9:40	NPDA Round 4
10:00	Topic Announce Round 5
10:20-11:10	NPDA Round 5
11:30	Topic Announce Round 6
11:50-12:40	NPDA Round 6
12:40-1:20	LUNCH BREAK
1:20	Topic Announce Elim 1
1:50-2:50	NPDA Elim 1
3:10	Topic Announce Elim 2
3:30-4:30	NPDA Elim 2
4:50	Topic Announce Elim 3
5:10-6:10	NPDA Elim 3
6:30	Topic Announce Elim 4
6:50-7:50	NPDA Elim 4

PATTERN A: Extemp, Informative, Poetry, Prose, STE.
PATTERN B: Impromptu, Duo, Persuasive, POI, DI, CA.

Sunday, October 18, 2020

9:00	EXTEMP DRAW
9:15-10:15	PATTERN A RD 1, IPDA/LD RD 1
10:45-11:45	PATTERN B RD 1, IPDA/LD RD 2
12:15	EXTEMP DRAW
12:30-1:30	PATTERN A RD 2, IPDA/LD RD 3
2:00-3:00	PATTERN B RD 2, IPDA/LD RD 4
3:30	EXTEMP DRAW
3:45-4:45	PATTERN A FINALS, IPDA/LD ELIM 1
5:15-6:15	PATTERN B FINALS, IPDA/LD ELIM 2
7:00 OR ASAP	AWARDS

Fees and Judging

Fees

\$20.00 SCHOOL FEE

\$8.00 PER I.E. SLOT

\$12.00 PER DUO TEAM

\$36.00 PER PARLI DEBATE TEAM

\$16.00 PER IPDA/LD SLOT

Judging Commitment

Each school **must** provide a qualified judge for every two NPDA, IPDA, or NFA entries, and for every 5 slots, or part thereof, for IEs.

Judging Fees, if allowed

We cannot guarantee that you can buy out; you must do whatever possible to cover your entry and if that is not possible, contact the tournament for permission to buy out. If we can find the judges to allow you to buy out, the fees will be as follows:

\$150.00 PER UNCOVERED NPDA TEAM*

\$100.00 PER IPDA OR NFA ENTRY

\$20.00 PER UNCOVERED I.E. SLOT

*2 days of NPDA necessitate higher than usual uncovered fees.

Payment

Payment may be made by check or through PayPal (details to follow). **Please make checks payable to El Camino College and write "Speech and Debate" on the memo line.**