

The Argumentation and Communication Leadership Academy is pleased to announce our summer event: The Sunshine In My Pocket 2 Speech and Debate Invitational.

The theme of this tournament is Inclusion. Students will have the opportunity to explore Inclusion in multiple speech and debate events. At this tournament, we hope that students will explore how they can create spaces where everyone is accepted,

bullying is significantly reduced or eliminated, and suicide prevention is important. (Of course, there are different levels of appropriateness for these topics. Elementary school level students may only want to explore bullying and including others whereas middle and high school students may want to cover certain issues in more detail relevant to their age groups.)

This tournament will have events for 4 age groups:

K-3<sup>rd</sup> Little Orators (Please see below)

3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grades: Elementary

6th - 8th Grades: Middle School

9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grades: High School

Use the link below to add this event to your Facebook calendar.

https://www.facebook.com/events/143150879579348/?acontext=%7B%22ref%22%3A%22106%22%2C %22action history%22%3A%22null%22%7D

At this tournament, we are requesting that students present new speeches and interp pieces (ones not presented in the 2016-2017 school year).

### **Payment**

To speed up the registration process, the Sunshine In My Pocket 2 will **not** be accepting payment the day of the tournament. Payment for this tournament is due on or before July 30. If payment is not received by July 30, all entries for that school will be dropped. Payments can be made via Google Wallet to InstructorWillWash@gmail.com or by mail. Checks can be made payable to "ACLA" and mailed to:

7071 Warner Ave. F375 Huntington Beach, CA 92647

The school fee for this tournament is \$65.

Pattern A is \$15 per competitor, per event.

Pattern B is \$15 per competitor, per event.

Registration will open July 5 and close July 30 at 5 PM. Fees will be frozen on July 30. All changes required after July 30 will need to be emailed directly to the tournament director (wwashington@aclacademy.org). Students can be added after July 30 for an increased price (\$20 per event). If a drop is needed after July 30, a \$15 penalty per drop will be assessed to the school due the day of the tournament.

All Interp events, Informative, and Original Oratory will have a 30 second grace period. This means that judges should not lower the competitor's score as long as they do not go over the grace period.

We will offer 3 rounds of Pattern A and Pattern B events. This tournament will have out-rounds for events with more than 12 competitors.

Awards: The top 3 students in each category will receive trophies and, depending on the number of entries, medals will be awarded to other top ranking competitors. Events with less than 3 entries will be cancelled, and a refund will be issued at the tournament. We will not be combining age groups at this tournament.

#### **Elementary Novice Events1**

We are offering two elementary school novice events, SPAR and Impromptu. These events are for students who are attending their very first tournament. Please do not enter a student in Novice if they have attended a tournament in the past.

#### Original Narrative

This event is traditionally offered as an experimental pattern C event at ACLA tournaments. For the the Sunshine In My Pocket 2 Speech and Debate Invitational, we are making it a standard event with 3 rounds.

The theme for Original Narrative is Inclusion. Have fun with it!

In this event, the students will have the opportunity to present an original **personal** story that explores the original narrative theme of the tournament. This speech should be delivered extemporaneously (not from a manuscript) and the winner for each age group will have the opportunity to deliver their speech at Awards.

The event will mirror the storytelling format of the Moth and Snap Judgment (NPR) podcasts.

Examples can be found here:

http://player.themoth.org/#/?actionType=ADD AND PLAY&storyId=388

https://themoth.org/

### **Original Narrative Guidelines**

Time limit: 5 minutes, maximum

Students will be ranked from 1 to 5 in the following categories for a total of 25 points.

Meeting the Tournament Theme: How well does the speech relate to "Inclusion."

Emotional appeal: How well does the speech pull in the judge in emotionally?

Personal: How well do we get to know the competitor?

Moral/Lesson: Does the speech teach the audience something?

Delivery: Standard public speaking concepts/performance.

This is not an interp event and students should *not* have a formal introduction.

## **Judging**

Pattern A and B will require 1 judge for every 5 entries. There will be a charge of \$75 for every uncovered judge slot. Missing ballots will result in a \$25 nuisance charge per ballot. Judges must be 16 years old or older. (Middle school students are <u>not</u> allowed to judge at this tournament.)

# **Lunch**

There are plenty of lunch options near CSU Fullerton. Please arrange to have a parent pick up food for students and have the food brought to campus to be eaten during the lunch break.

### **Events**

# Little Orators (K through 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades) – Pattern C

For the first time ever, we are opening up our Little Orator's division to outside schools and academies. This event is for students in grades K-3<sup>rd</sup>. All students in this age group will do the same event "Storytelling." The stories should be 1 to 3 minutes in length and have a formal intro where they relate their stories to the tournament theme of Inclusion. In this age group, all students receive a medal, and the price is \$20.

There are two rounds of presentations:

Registration: 11:45AM to 12:00PM

Round 1: 12:15PM to 1:00PM

Round 2: 1:00PM to 1:45PM

Awards: 2:00PM

# Elementary School (3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Grades)

Pattern A: Triple Entry Allowed

Storytelling: NSDA (5 Min Max)

Impromptu: 8 Min Total

Duo: 7 Min Max

Informative: No Visual Aids

SPAR: Please see event rules posted on tournament home page.

Novice Impromptu (first time competitors only): 8 Minutes total

<u>Pattern B:</u> (Double Entry allowed in all Pattern B events except for Congress)

Congress Bills released on July 4

Original Narrative

Declamation: 7 Min Max

Novice SPAR (First time competitors only): Please see event rules posted on tournament home page.

Pattern D:

Non-Fiction Writing Competition (Rules for this event are on tournament home page)

Pattern E:

Original Narrative Video Submission (Please see instructions on tournament landing page)

# Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grades)

Pattern A: Triple Entry Allowed

Storytelling: NSDA rules

Impromptu: 7 Min Total

**DUO: NSDA Rules** 

Informative: No Visual Aids

SPAR: Please see event rules posted on tournament home page.

<u>Pattern B:</u> (Double Entry allowed in all Pattern B events except for Congress)

Congress (Bills released on July 4)

**Original Narrative** 

**Declamation: NSDA Rules** 

Pattern D:

Non-Fiction Writing Competition (Rules for this event are on tournament home page)

Pattern E:

Original Narrative Video Submission (Please see instructions on tournament landing page)

# High School (9th through 12th)

#### Pattern A: Triple Entry Allowed

Impromptu: 7 Min Total

**DUO: NSDA Rules** 

Informative: No Visual Aids

SPAR: Please see event rules posted on tournament home page.

Pattern B: (Double Entry allowed in all Pattern B events except for Congress)

Congress (Bills released on July 4)

**Original Narrative** 

**Declamation: NSDA Rules** 

Pattern D:

Non-Fiction Writing Competition (Rules for this event are on tournament home page)

Pattern E:

Original Narrative Video Submission (Please see instructions on tournament landing page)

Photo release: Please let all parents know that we will be taking photos at this tournament to help promote future tournaments and activities. By signing up for this tournament, participants have agreed to allow images to be used to promote Speech and Debate and future ACLA tournaments. Parents are not allowed to film or take photos of any students (even their own child) during competition rounds.