

January 2020

Dear Colleague:

Harper College is pleased to invite you to "The Litrenta Triangle at Harper College" Novice Individual Events & Debate Tournament on Friday & Saturday, February 14-15, 2020.

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HOTEL

Country Inn & Suites- All rooms were Renovated Summer 2019

This is the official tournament hotel. We can only continue to get this fantastic rate if we USE the block. So please stay if you can. This hotel is the best deal in the area.

You are going to LOVE it! 5 minutes from Harper. You will have trouble finding a better price in this area. This hotel has a free SIT-DOWN breakfast, business center, indoor pool, in-room coffee maker, fitness center, free happy hour, hair dryer, free parking, cookies and coffee all day AND free internet. Check out all the services.

Room Rate: \$99

Reservations: 847-839-1010 and request their room reservation under the group block below.

Country Inn & Suites Schaumburg www.countryinns.com/schaumburgil_south

Official Name of Group Block: "Harper College Speech & Debate Tournament"

Cut-off Date: Feb 6

GENERAL INFORMATION

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We will be using www.forensicstournament.net for Registration

We are pleased to once again be offering Group Communication. This event allows students to gain experience in small group work. The feedback from past years has been extremely positive. We hope that your students will give the event a try. If you have any group exercises that you believe would work well for this event, please forward them to me.

IE SCORING—same as 2019

IE Breaks- We will break all cumes of 6 (PRP Style). If that does not represent 20% of the field **or** 6 students we will break all cumes of 7 (and so on). In events in which more than 6 students break, we will hold multiple sections of finals for that event. We will use “prelim ranks + final round ranks (3 judges)” to determine silver/gold. “Next in” students will receive Bronze. For instance, if cumes of 7 break. All 8’s will be considered “next in.”

We will not break more than ½ of the field. **New 2020**

5 points Bronze

7.5 Silver

10 Gold

DEBATE SCORING—same as 2019

We are offering **4** preliminary rounds of both Parliamentary Debate and Public Debate (IPDA) and one final round.

The event of Group Com will be considered a Debate event, and therefore will count towards Debate Sweeps and Overall Sweeps, but not be counted in IE sweeps.

Debaters may not DE in the grouping in which they are debating (Parli and IPDA).

Parli and Public Debate Breaks- All winning records (4-0 or 3-1) will advance to the final round. We will use a 2-2/high-speaks records to fill out bracket if necessary. “Next in” debaters will earn Bronze. Finalists will earn Gold for a win and Silver for a loss.

5 points Bronze

7.5 Silver

10 Gold

Debate Notes

- Internet in Parli Prep IS allowed, but prep time remains 15 minutes
- Parli will utilize “flex time” consistent with Phi Rho Pi rules
- We will limit IPDA to the first 40 students to enter
- IPDA will NOT utilize synchronized draw. Instead, *debaters will draw as soon as both debaters are present in the prep/draw room. We are therefore not allowing team prep during IPDA rounds.*
- Pairing in all debate finals will be prioritized so that – 1) No teammates hit 2) New opponents are presented 3) and only then will seeding based on record occur

AWARDS

Once again, we have teamed up with our Art Department to create our trophies. The student artists have been paid a stipend equal to what we would have spent on traditional trophies. The pieces are true works of art that I am confident your students will treasure.

GREEN TOURNAMENT

“The Litrenta Triangle at Harper College” is a Green Tournament. ForensicsTournament.net will allow us to post information/results online. We will also conserve paper wherever we can (half sheet size ballots, posting schematics instead of copying them, eliminating master ballots and printing back to back whenever possible). Look for a “green” slant in Extemp, Public Debate (IPDA), Parli & Impromptu.

Maps, Schedules, Restaurants, Schematics, Posting, Groupings, Adds, Drops and tournament information WILL NOT BE PRINTED. These Items will be available on your smart-phones, tablets and computer at www.ForensicsTournament.net We WILL post these items for those participants without e-access. Stable Wi-Fi is available throughout campus.

Thanks for helping us keep this a green tournament ;-)

HARPER STUDENTS

Harper Students will be full tournament participants in Public Debate (IPDA), Parli and Reader’s Theatre. There will be a limited number of Harper students entered in IE events, they may advance to final rounds.

FOOD

Subway (building Z) will be open 8am-3pm Friday.

Harper will provide breakfast food and drinks Saturday morning. **These Items will be limited** because of the sit down breakfast at the hotel. We WILL have plenty of coffee throughout the day. We have made arrangements for the hotel breakfast to begin on Saturday morning at 6:30 am.

On Saturday, your teams can order Subway box lunches and/or pizza (we will provide an order form). Food will be provided by Sodexo. Prices include tax and delivery. Subway box lunches sub or salad --\$8. XL Lou Malnati’s Pizza \$22 (feeds 5-7pp)

No outside lunch is allowed on campus per a contract with our food service.

EXTEMP

Round one of extemporaneous speaking will focus on local Illinois issues. Round two will focus on national issues. Round three will focus on international issues. The final will focus on Multi-Party issues.

SWEEPS

We will award top 3 IE Teams (Group is NOT an IE event)

We will award top 3 Debate (Parli, IPDA & Group) Teams

We will award top 6 Overall Sweeps Teams

Individual Sweeps -We will recognize the 6 students who earn the most points at the tournament.

Debate Speakers - We will recognize the top six Speakers in IPDA & Parli

FEES

\$8.00 per IE slot

\$16 per Parli team

\$16 per Public Debate (IPDA)

\$11.00 per slot not covered by a judge

\$50.00 per debate slot not covered by a judge-- We need your judges, not your money.

JUDGES

1 Judge will cover 6 IE slots

1 Judge will cover 4 debate slots if they commit to judging BOTH Parli and Public Debate

1 Judge will cover 2 debate slots if they commit to judging ONLY Parli or Public Debate

1 Judge can cover 2 debate slots AND 3 IE slots

* If you are using judges to count for some ie and debate, the online program will estimate your bill incorrectly. We will have revised bills when you arrive.

We need your judges, not your money.

IE judges MAY be assigned a Parli round or 2 if needed. Jeff will check with you first.

IE judges WILL judge some Public Debate (IPDA). "Lay Judges" are central to this form of debate.

REGISTRATION

Register your entry by Tuesday at 7pm at Forensicstournament.net

Please make checks payable to Jeff Przybylo NOT Harper College.

DROPS

Drops after Thursday at 12:00 PM-\$15.00 per slot.

Drops from the van Friday morning- \$15.00 per slot

Please text or call drops to Jeff at 847-567-2525 as soon as you know about them.

Drops at registration- \$50.00 per slot.

With the wide spread use of cell phones, drops at registration are unnecessary.

A dropped judge at registration will be \$60.00.

GROUPINGS

Group A

Prose Reading

Poetry Reading

Extemp*

Group Communication*

Impromptu

Group B

Persuasive Speaking

STE

Duo Interpretation

Communication Analysis

Public Debate IPDA (4 rounds)**

Group C

Reader's Theatre

POI

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Informative Speaking

Parli Debate (4 rounds)***

ENTRY LIMITATIONS - PLEASE LOOK AT THIS SECTION CAREFULLY!!!

Students may enter 2 events per group

Schools may have as many as 8 of each event.

*Students may NOT DE in Group and Extemp because these events occur simultaneously.

**Public Debate (IPDA) can be a student's ONLY event in group B.

***Parli can be a student's ONLY event in group C.

GROUP COMMUNICATION

5-6 students will be placed in each round. The group will be given **35 minutes** to complete a problems-solving or decision-making activity. Topics will be different from round to round. Students will be given traditional group communication activities or current events oriented discussion topics (How should the USA deal with...).

One judge will observe the group and rank the participants first through fourth. Ranks will be based on group communication concepts such as leadership, verbal communication, non-verbal communication, listening skills, goal setting, conflict resolution, setting criteria for solvency, and argumentation. There will be three rounds and a final. *A Group Communication student may not enter Extemp.*

FINAL - The Group Com finalists' will be given a problem to solve/discuss. The group discussion will be observed by 3-5 judges. They will rank the Group Com finalists. At the conclusion of the student discussion, the judges should take 10 minutes to discuss their feelings about the round. They should, however, rank the round independently. Audience members will be dismissed before the judge discussion.

Group Com points will be considered for Debate Sweeps and Overall Sweeps. NOT IE.

SCHEDULE

Friday

10:30-11:45 IE & Debate Registration
Building D Rotunda

11:45 Extemp Prep **and** Group Communication Round I

12:15 Round IA

1:15 Extemp Prep **and** Group Communication Round II

1:45 Round IIA

2:45 Extemp Prep **and** Group Communication Round III

3:15 Round IIIA

3:15 Registration for Debate only teams

****Public Debate (IPDA) Students***—*For Public Debate (IPDA) to run on time, competitors must return to the prep/draw room immediately after their round. We will NOT do common draw (Debaters will draw as soon as both debaters are present in the prep/draw room). In Public Debate (IPDA) we are going to do 25 minutes of prep instead of 30.*

4:15 Round IB & Public Debate (IPDA) Round 1 (Draw-4:15 / Speak-4:40)

5:15 Round IIB & Public Debate (IPDA) Round 2 (Draw-5:15 / Speak-5:40)

6:15 Rounds IIIB & Public Debate (IPDA) Round 3 (Draw-6:15 / Speak-6:40)

7:15 Public Debate (IPDA) Round 4 (Draw-7:15 / Speak-7:40)

Saturday (times slightly adjusted for 2020)

8:00 Round IC & Parli Round 1

9:15 Round IIC & Parli Round 2

10:45 Round IIIC & Parli Round 3

12:15 Parli Round 4 & Lunch

1:30 Draw for Ext & Group Com Discussion (Group final)

1:45 Group A finals **Any student in Group will arrive 30 minutes after the final round has begun*

2:00 Extemp Final

3:00 Group B

Public Debate (IPDA) Finals--- Draw 3:00 Speak 3:30

4:15 Group C & Parli Finals

ASAP Awards