



September 25th, 2025

Dear Friends and Colleagues:

The University of La Verne and Mt. San Antonio College are pleased to invite you to Southern California for our 1st ever "Voices of The Valley" swing tournament January 17th-18th, 2026. This year's tournament will be held in La Verne, CA on the beautiful campus of the University of La Verne. ULV and Mt. SAC have partnered up to host this swing and give your teams an excellent January tournament in Southern California.

The two tournaments will offer similar schedules and fees. Both tournaments will have sweeps awards for the top three teams and top community college team. Both days will offer novice and open divisions in individual events and debate. We will also award a top speaker of the swing tournament.

In addition to the individual events, we will host a one-day parliamentary debate tournament on Saturday and a one-day NFA-LD & IPDA debate tournament on Sunday. For both days the Open division will be a standard 4/2 format but in novice we will have a six prelim tournament with Gold/Silver/Bronze awards given to the top teams. NOTE: Students may not enter both debate and IE events on the same day. Students are more than welcome to mix and match on different days. ULV will be the official host on Saturday, and Mt. SAC will be the host on Sunday.

Join us for some great competition and even better memories in the San Gabriel Valley! Our tab and tournament staff are the best of the best, so you can expect a well-run tournament. Let us know how we can help with your travel plans or anything else that will make this a special weekend for your team.

Hope to see you there!

~ The coaching staff at the University of La Verne & Mt. San Antonio College

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RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT

- By registering, each student is acknowledging that they are assuming and understand any risk that may be present as a result of participating or being on the campus of the University of La Verne.
- Indemnification and Hold Harmless.
 - Each school, judge, and student participant shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the, University, its trustees, officers, employees, representatives, agents and volunteers, from and against any and all claims, liabilities, damages, injuries, expenses or losses including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees or costs (a "Loss") by reason of any suit, claim, demand, judgment or cause of action (an "Action") initiated by any person resulting from any act or omission of Voice of The Valley participant, its staff, agents, guests or invitees, except for claims arising out of the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the University. The terms of this provision shall survive the termination and expiration of the Agreement.

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION:

- Registration, Judges Room, Student Wellness, and Tab will all be located in **Miller Hall**.
- Please Email ULV DOF Mikayla Holzinger: mholzinger@laverne.edu for more information about the tournament.
- Triple entry at your own risk. No triple-entry with extemp or duo. Novices may not double-enter.
- Students from the host schools may compete both days, but will not be in the running for a team award the day their school is hosting.
- AFA event descriptions will apply.
- **Each attending school must designate a “Coach of the Day.”**
 - A sign-in sheet will be located at the judges table where coaches will list their name and contact information.
 - The Coach of the Day is responsible for handling emergencies or rule clarifications for their team.

IE SCHEDULE

Pattern A: Persuasion, DI, POI, Impromptu, DUO, CA

Pattern B: Extemp, Informative, Prose, Poetry, ADS

Schedule (both days)

9:30	Registration (First floor, Miller Hall)
10:00	Round 1 A
11:15	Extemp Draw
11:30	Round 1 B
12:30	Lunch
1:00	Round 2 A
2:15	Extemp Draw
2:30	Round 2 B
3:45	Finals A
5:00	Extemp Draw
5:15	Finals B
6:30 or TBA	Awards

DEBATE SCHEDULE

Saturday: Parli (Novice & Open)

9:15-9:45: Registration (First floor, Miller Hall) - Debater must sign in.

10:00	Round 1
11:30	Round 2
12:30	Lunch
1:00	Round 3
2:30	Round 4
3:45	Bronze (Open) / Round 5 (Novice)
5:15	Gold (Open) / Round 6 (Novice)

6:30 or TBA Awards

Open division will have a bronze and gold round during novice division rounds 5 & 6.

Sunday: IPDA (Novice & Open)

9:15-9:45: Registration (First floor, Miller Hall) - Debaters must sign in.

10:00	Round 1
11:30	Round 2
12:30	Lunch
1:00	Round 3
2:30	Round 4
3:45	Bronze (Open) / Round 5 (Novice)
5:15	Gold (Open) / Round 6 (Novice)

6:30 or TBA Awards

Open division will have a bronze and gold round during novice division rounds 5 & 6.

DEBATE:

- Parliamentary Debate will be run in accordance with PSCFA rules. We will use topic strikes with 20 minutes of preparation time. There will be no coaching during preparation time, and students will be allowed paper, dictionaries, almanacs and/or electronic research material. We will not include flex time. Brackets will be broken in the Open division. Except for notes that the debaters themselves have prepared during preparation time, no published materials, prepared arguments, or resources may be used during the debate.
- We will not offer elimination rounds in novice in lieu of everyone in novice debating a fifth and sixth preliminary round. Awards will be based on preliminary rankings.
- Elimination rounds will be in the Phi Rho Pi bronze/gold format. We will break an appropriate number of teams based on entry size (not to exceed half).
- No debate prep rooms will be made available. The judge should be the first person in and last person out of each classroom.
- Standard PSCFA definitions for novice debate eligibility will be used.
- We will do central topic strikes for IPDA. Note that we will try to adhere to the goal of using lay judges in both divisions of IPDA.

JUDGING:

All judges must be available for all rounds.

- Individual Events - One judge covers 5 total slots per pattern.
- Debate - One judge covers 2 entries. Uncovered Debate entries must be approved by the Tournament Director before the entry deadline.

FEES (per tournament):

All Entries must be received by 5:00pm PST Tuesday, January 13th, 2025. Fees are computed at the time. We will use forensicstournament.net for all entries.

\$30.00	School Fee
\$10.00	Per IE slot
\$10.00	Judging fee per uncovered IE slot
\$40.00	Per Parli Debate entry
\$20.00	Per IPDA Debate entry
\$50.00	Per judging fee per uncovered debate entry
\$15.00	Per change after Tuesday at 5pm
\$100.00	Dropped judge fee after Thursday at 5pm

Checks **MUST** be made out to "University of La Verne - Speech and Debate" for both days of competitions.

CAMPUS INFO:

Wifi: Please follow the instructions below to access wifi. A more detailed step by step can be found here: <https://laverne.edu/technology/instructions-create-wi-fi-guest-account/>

1. Select University of La Verne Wireless
2. Open a web browser on your laptop or mobile device and go to a website. Click on the link right below the "Sign On" button to start creating your guest account as shown below.
3. Enter your information below and make sure to read & agree to the terms and conditions. When you click on the terms and conditions link, a new browser tab will appear.
4. You will be provided with temporary guest account credentials which is valid for up to 12 hours.

Parking: The following parking lots and structure are the best places to park. They are highlighted on the map below.

- **Street parking is on your own!**
 - Since the school shares the same spaces as downtown, be cautious of parking in timed parking spaces.
- **No residential parking!**
 - We also share the same spaces as residential areas, so do not park where there are residential signs.
- **Parking Structure**
 - Off of Arrow Hwy and D. St.
- **Parking Lot F**
 - Off of Bonita Ave and C St.
- **Parking Lot B**
 - Off of B St. and 3rd St.



IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY INFORMATION:

- Here is a checklist you can go over with your team to be prepared for any emergency!
 - Checklist:
 - Exchange emergency contact information with all team members.
 - Verify emergency contact information for team members.
 - Identify a designated Coach of the Day for your school.
 - Ensure all team members know the location of:
 - Tournament Tab Room
 - Wellness Room
 - Restrooms and building exits
 - Team Meet Up location given there is an emergency
 - Review campus emergency protocols provided by the host school.
 - Make sure all competitors have their school's coach/representative's phone number saved in their phones.
- Contact Campus Safety first!
 - **(909) 448-4950** or dial **4950** from any campus phone.
 - 2021 D Street
La Verne, CA 91750
- Then contact La Verne Police department
 - 2061 3rd St, La Verne, CA 91750
 - (909) 596-1913 or 911
- Hospitals near by:
 - **Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center:**
 - Located at 1798 N. Garey Ave., Pomona, CA 91767.
 - **San Dimas Community Hospital:**
 - Located at 1350 W. Covina Blvd., San Dimas, CA 91773.
 - **Valley Hospital:**

- Located at 1410 N. Garey Ave., Pomona, CA 91767.

The Student Wellness and Judges room will have a first aid kit available to use for all participating schools.

FOOD OPTIONS:

All within walking distance or a few miles!

Breakfast:

- Miss Donuts and Bagels \$
 - This little donut and bagel shop has great food with good prices! Also, the people that run it are sweethearts!
- EGGSactly \$\$
 - They have great breakfast sandwiches! They are only open from 7am-12pm
- Nambah Coffee Co. \$\$
 - This is your regular aesthetic coffee shop. The drinks and food are great!

Lunch:

- Warehouse Pizza \$\$
 - This family owned pizza shop is laid-back and serves great food! They are cash only though!
- Bowl House \$
 - This is literally a hole in the wall Asian Fusion restaurant. They serve great ramen, noodles, and teriyaki.
- Chain restaurants near by (all within a mile or so)
 - In-N-Out
 - Subway
 - Rubios
 - Jersey Mikes
 - Taco Bell
 - Del Taco

TRAVEL INFO:

University of La Verne is located in La Verne, CA at
1950 3rd St, La Verne, CA 91750

The Ontario airport is roughly 25-30 minutes away.

The Burbank airport is about 45 minutes away.

LAX is roughly an hour away.

John Wayne/OC airport is about 45 minutes away.

<https://library.laverne.edu/about-us/library-a-z/driving-directions/>

HOTEL OPTIONS:

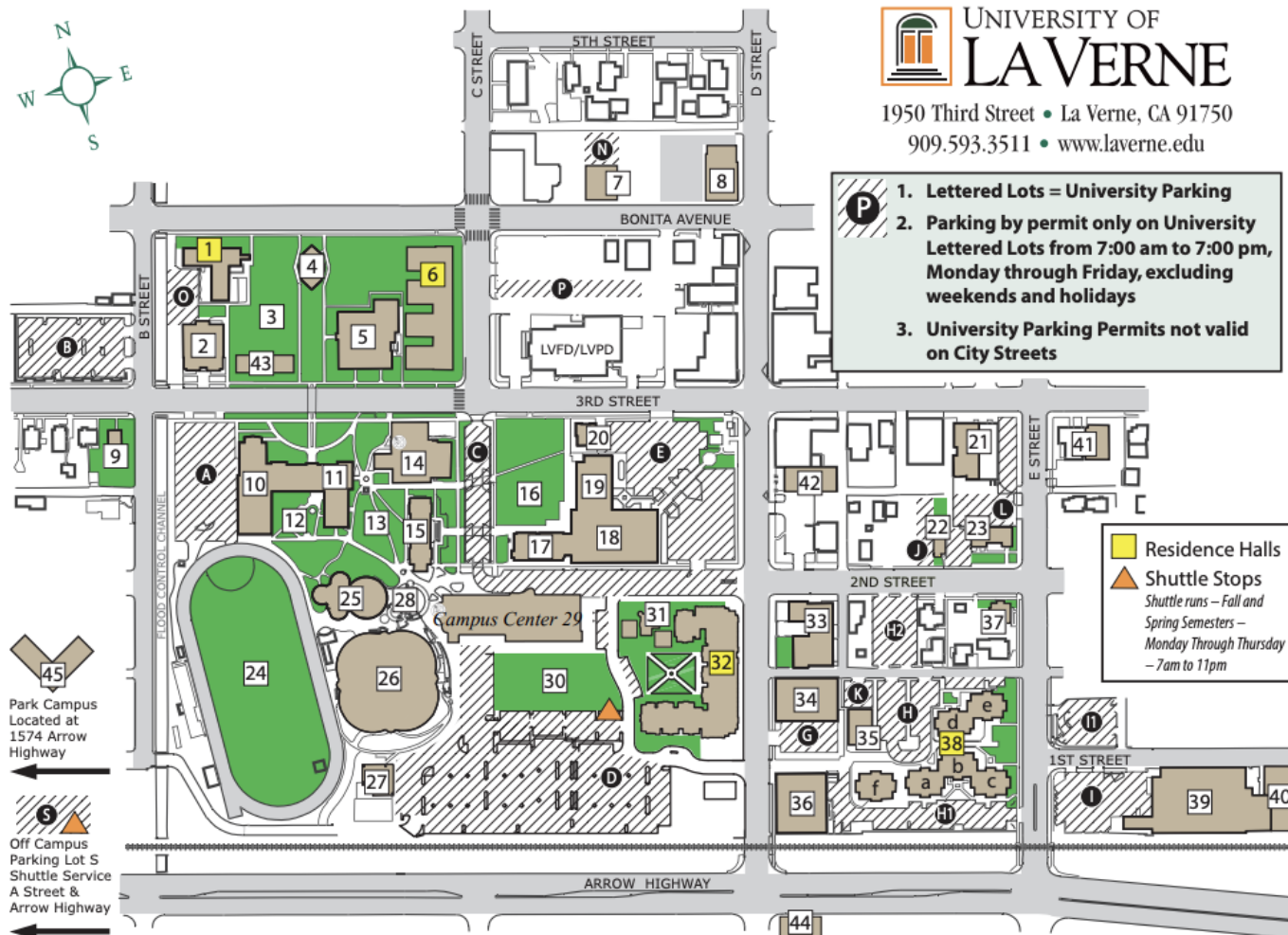
Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Claremont 555 West Foothill Boulevard, Claremont, CA 91711 (909) 298-6730	Sheraton Fairplex Suites & Conference Center 601 West McKinley Avenue, Pomona, CA 91768 (909) 622-2220	Holiday Inn Express & Suites San Dimas by IHG 485 W Arrow Hwy, San Dimas, CA 91773 (909) 305-2323
Extended Stay America - Los Angeles - San Dimas 601 W Bonita Ave, San Dimas, CA 91773 (909) 394-1022	Best Western San Dimas Hotel & Suites 501 W Bonita Ave, San Dimas, CA 91773 (909) 592-0500	La Quinta Inn & Suites by Wyndham Pomona 3200 W Temple Ave, Pomona, CA 91768 (909) 598-0073

*We're looking forward to seeing you in January.
Please let us know if you have any questions!*



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UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE MAP LEGEND

2100 Arrow Highway 44 Baseball Batting Cages	Center for the Advancement of Faculty Excellence 41 Office of Sponsored Research	Classroom A-B-C 9 Student Accounts East	Leo Hall 33 Business Management & Leadership College of Education & Organizational Leadership — Dean's Office Organizational Leadership Public & Health Administration	Sneaky Park 16
2215 E Street 23 Counseling Center Disabled Student Services	Central Services - east 40 Capital Planning Facilities Space Management ULV Graphics Unified Services Desk	ELS Language Center 12	Lordsburg Building 42 Liberal Studies	South Quad 30 Shuttle Stop for Parking Lot S
Abraham Campus Center 29 ASULV Barbara's Place Abraham Campus Center Administration Career Services Commencement Graduate Success Center International & Study Abroad Services Learning Enhancement Center Ludwick Conference Center Multicultural Services Office of Student Life Student Affairs Undergraduate Admission	Central Services - west 39 Enrollment Management (and Communications/ROC) Graduate Admissions Housekeeping Mail Services Marketing & Recruiting Purchasing ROC Administration Strategic Communications Undergrad Admissions Operations	Fasnacht Court 11	Mainiero Hall 10 Biology Chemistry La Fetra Lecture Hall Mathematics Physics	Sports Science & Athletics Pavilion 26 Athletic Training Campus Safety Frantz Athletic Court Intercollegiate Athletics Movement & Sports Science Transportation and Parking Services
Arts & Communication 36 Art Communications LTV & LEOFM Studios Tall Wall Space	Chapel 4 Campus Ministry	Founders Hall 11 Chief Diversity and Inclusivity Office Computer Science History & Political Science La Verne Experience Morgan Auditorium Music President's Office Provost's Office	Miller Hall 15 Carlson Gallery of Photography English Legal Studies Modern Languages Philosophy & Religion Photography Speech Communication	Sports Science & Athletics Pavilion 26 Athletic Training Campus Safety Frantz Athletic Court Intercollegiate Athletics Movement & Sports Science Transportation and Parking Services
Barkley 34 Education	College of Business & Public Management 19 Business Management & Leadership — Dean's Office Public & Health Administration	Graduate Academic Services 22 Football Program	Modular Classroom 43	Stu-Han Residence Hall 6
Barkley Annex 35 RCA Teacher Education	Dailey Theatre 25 Theatre Arts	Hanawalt Fitness Center 27	Music Annex 20	University Advancement 7 Alumni Relations Public Relations
Brandt Residence Hall 1	Davenport Dining 14 Presidents Dining Room West Dining Room	Hanawalt House 31 Hanawalt West Courtyard and East Patio University Scheduling and Events Services	Oaks Residence Hall 38 Student Housing & Residential Education	University Quad 13
Bonita Building 8 Psychology	E Street Building-2180 3rd St. 21 CBPM Advising and Student Services	Health Services 37	Ortmayer Athletics Complex 24	University Mall 3
		Hoover 5 College of Arts & Sciences — Dean's Office Psychology CAPA (RCA) Sociology/Anthropology University Counseling Center	Park Campus 45 Facilities and Technology Services Human Resources/Payroll Literacy Center Office of Information Technology Unified Computing Services	Vista La Verne Residence Hall 32 Campus Store
		Johnson Family Plaza 28		Wilson Library 18 Honors Center
		Landis Academic Center 17 Applied Business Science & Economics Business Management & Leadership Harris Art Gallery Howell Board Room		Woody Hall 2 Academic Support & Retention Accounts Payable Finance Financial Aid Registrar Risk Management Student Accounts Treasury, Management & Budget