

2026 Phi Rho Pi Region 5

Tournament Invitation

Dear Colleagues:

Tyler Junior College is honored to have the opportunity to host the SECOND annual Regional V Championship Tournament for the newly aligned regions of Phi Rho Pi. This tournament will be ONLINE using the same software as the Phi Rho Pi Nationals: ForensicTournaments.Net. The dates are March 27-28, 2026 (unless we have so many entries that we need to go into Sunday, March 29th.) The deadline for receiving entries is March 23rd, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. CST. Changes may be made until March 25th, 2026 by 5:00 pm without additional charge. Please log into the FTN (Forensicstournament.net) to submit your entries (will be open before the end of February.) Since this is still a "new" tournament, it would be very helpful if you would email me a quick response and tell me if you are planning to attend so that I can do necessary preparations. No need for exact entries in this email, but telling me approximately how many Parli teams and IPDAers you have would be very helpful. And if you have LDers, let me know and we can add that event.

We'll have the **Coaches' Meeting and Students' Meeting** Friday, March 27th at 7:45 p.m. (CST) in Zoom Rooms TBA.

We will be running most IE events in two rounds with one judge in one round and two judges in the other. Finals will be held in events large enough to warrant them. Parli and IPDA will have 4 preliminary rounds (if possible). Semis will be held if entries are large enough, otherwise straight to finals.

Tyler Junior College is looking forward to hosting this year's tournament. We are sure we will have some quality and friendly competition. If you have any questions feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Special Note to Coaches:

Event Entries and Patterns

See Phi Rho Pi Nationals webpage for event descriptions and rules (<http://www.phirhopi.org/>). These rules will govern the Regional Phi Rho Pi Tournament. However, we will break the Patterns and allow cross entries.

Debate and Interpreter's Theatre Time Limits:

Parliamentary Debate 7-8-8-8-4-5 with no prep but Flex Time

IPDA 5-2-6-2-3-5-3 with no prep between speeches

Awards

All individual events will receive awards (medals) 1st through 6th place. There will also be first through sixth place speaker awards for Parliamentary Debate and 1st - 3rd speaker awards in IPDA. First through Third place plaques will be awarded for Sweepstakes in the following categories: Debate, I.E.s, Top Speaker and Overall. The Sherri Ryan White Award will also be given to the school with the highest cumulative sweepstakes points.

Sweepstakes Points

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS and IPDA:

1ST = 10 POINTS

2ND = 7 POINTS

3RD = 5 POINTS

Other Finalists = 2

Semi Finalists not advancing = 1

DUO

1st = 15 points

2nd = 11 points

3rd = 7 points

Other Finalists = 4 points

Semi Finalists not advancing = 3

Parli

1st = 20 points

2nd = 15 points

3rd = 10 points

Quarter Finalists not advancing = 5

Entry Deadline: March 23rd by 5:00 p.m. CST

All Changes must be made by March 25th by 5:00 pm. CST Changes made later will be charged entry fees plus \$25 for IEs and \$100 for Judge, IPDA and Parli drops.

Information

TOURNAMENT ENTRY AND JUDGING FEES **(will be figured automatically for you on this website)**

Entry Fees:

Parli Debate # of entries x \$75.00 each = \$ _____
(1 judge covers up to 2 entries)

IPDA Debate # of entries x \$50.00 each = \$ _____
(1 judge covers up to 2 entries)

IEs (Duo counts as 2 entries) # of entries x \$12.00 each = \$ _____

Judging Fees:

Parli and IPDA @ \$75.00 per uncovered entry= \$ _____

(1 judge covers two entries per pattern)

Ind. Event Judging Fee @ \$20.00 per uncovered entry= \$ _____

(1 judge covers 6 entries)

Make all checks payable to: M'Liss S. Hindman. Credit cards accepted through Square. Zelle also accepted.

2026 Phi Rho Pi Region V Tournament Schedule

Friday, March 27th

7:30	Check In/Registration Online: Tab Room:
7:45	Draw in IPDA Draw Room: for Round 1 IPDA, Flight A
8:15	Round 1 IPDA, Flight A; Draw in IPDA Draw Room for Flight B
8:45	Round 1 IPDA, Flight B
9:30	Draw for IPDA, Flight A
10:00	Round 2 IPDA, Flight A; Draw for Flight B
10:30	Round 2 IPDA, Flight B
11:15	Draw for Round 3, Flight A
11:45	Round 3 IPDA, Flight A; Draw for Flight B
12:15	Round 3 IPDA, Flight B
Lunch Break	
1:15	Draw in IPDA Room for Round 4 IPDA, Flight A
1:45	Round 4 IPDA; Draw for Flight B
2:15	Round 4 IPDA, Flight B
2:45	Afternoon Break
3:00	Draw in Room and Round 1 Parli Debate
4:30	Draw in Room and Round 2 Parli Debate
6:00	Draw in Room and Round 3 Parli Debate
7:45	Students' and Coaches' Meeting in Zoom: 903 944 8393
8:15	Separate Meetings for Students and Coaches
8:45	Draw for Semi Finals IPDA

9:15 Semi Finals IPDA

Saturday, March 28th

(NOTE: These are NOT the national PRP conflict patterns. Events were put together for judging purposes and to quicken the overall schedule. Students will be able to compete in three events per pattern or more if necessary. Please tell Tournament Director if you have a student competing in three events or more in one time period. Also NOTE that some events will go straight to finals with one judge in one round and 2 judges in the other.)

7:30 Check in virtually – announcements, etc: Tab Room (link on Front Page)

8:00 Extemp Draw for Round 1 in Extemp Draw Room

8:30 Round 1 – Extemp, Prose, POI, Inform, STE

9:45 Round 1 – Poetry, DI, Imp, Duo, Per, CA

11:00 Round 2 – Poetry, DI, Imp, Duo, Per, CA

Lunch Break

1:00 Extemp Draw for Round 2

1:30 Round 2 – Extemp, Prose, POI, Inform, STE

2:45 Finals: Poetry, DI, Imp, Duo, Per, CA

3:45 Extemp Draw for Finals

4:15 Finals – Extemp, Prose, POI, Inform, STE

5:45 Draw for IPDA Finals

6:15 IPDA Finals

7:00 or ASAP Awards: Zoom Room 903 944 8393