

THE DELORES TAYLOR ARTHUR SCHOOL FOR YOUNG MEN



Virtual Tournament Invitation
October 2-4, 2020

WELCOME

The Board of Trustees and Leadership of The Delores Taylor Arthur School for Young Men invite you to be part of its Virtual Tournament to be held October 2-4, 2020. We are eagerly anticipating the opportunity to host you in person in 2021 but given the many uncertainties surrounding school attendance and travel restrictions this Fall we wanted to make this decision early.

We are in the process of determining which virtual platform will be used. Once we know, that information will be uploaded to Tabroom.com with specific instruction on how to prepare and upload performances. In addition, we will update you as to which events are qualifiers for the National Individual Events Tournament of Champions and/or the Tournament of Champions at the University of Kentucky.

In the following pages, you will find much of the information that you will need to register and prepare for the tournament. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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Important Dates

May 18, 2020	Registration Opens on Tabroom.com
September 18, 2020	New Entries Due
September 25, 2020	Script Info and Uploads are Due
September 25, 2020 (9:00 PM CST)	Drops and Name Changes Due
September 25, 2020 (5:00 PM CST)	Judge Names Due
September 29, 2020 (5:00 PM CST)	Obligations Freeze
September 29, 2020 (after 5:00 PM CST)	Nuisance Fees apply

Tabulation Team

Though we are running our first tournament and doing so using a virtual platform, we have assembled a Tabulation Team of individuals from across the nation.

Dr. Sandra Berkowitz	The Blake School	Minnesota
Lexy Green	College Prep School	California
Ursula Gruber	New Trier	Illinois
Dave Huston	Colleyville Heritage	Texas
Crawford Leavoy	Durham Academy	North Carolina
Greg Malis	Isidore Newman School	Louisiana
Jay Rye	The Montgomery Academy	Alabama
Jharick Shields	Saint Andrew's Episcopal School	Mississippi
Jacob Simon	Comeaux High School	Louisiana
Shane Stafford	The Blake School	Minnesota
Chris Vincent	Isidore Newman School	Louisiana
Ed Williams	Pace Academy	Georgia

Debate Events

High School

Policy Debate

We will offer competition in both Varsity and Novice Divisions. Both divisions will debate the 2020-2021 national high school resolution **Resolved: The United States federal government should enact substantial criminal justice reform in the United States in one or more of the following: forensic science, policing, sentencing.** There will be at least five rounds of preliminary competition with each round utilizing 8-3-5 speech times and 10 minutes of preparation.

Lincoln Douglas Debate

There will be competition in both the Varsity and Novice Divisions. Both divisions will debate the September/October national topic. **We do not use the novice topic at this tournament.** There will be six preliminary rounds of debate in the 6-3-7-3-4-6-3 format with five minutes of preparation.

Public Forum Debate

There will be one open division of Public Forum that will utilize the September/October national topic. The tournament will use the 2019 piloted rules that have recently been adopted by the NSDA Board of Directors.

Legislative Debate

Legislation will be released several weeks before the tournament and will be announced by Ms. Ursula Gruber, the director of Legislative Tab.

World Schools

Chief Adjudicator, Dr. Sandra Berkowitz will announce the prepared motions on or about September 1, 2020.

Speech Events

Due to the online format we are allowing high school participants to **enter four events if they are in opposite flights with no more than two per flight.**

Flight A

Declamation

Extemporaneous Speaking

Dramatic Interpretation

Informative Speaking

Program Oral Interpretation

Flight B

Humorous Interpretation

Original Oratory

Oral Interpretation

Impromptu Speaking

Duo Interpretation

Specific instructions for recording and uploading performances will be available by August 1, 2010.

We will follow NSDA rules for all events with the exception of Declamation and Oral Interpretation both of which will be conducted in accordance with NCFL rules.

Middle School Events

We are pleased to offer competition in the following Middle School events: .

Declamation

Dramatic Interpretation

Humorous Interpretation

Poetry

Prose

Storytelling

Policy Debate

Public Forum Debate

Students are allowed to enter up to two speech events and one debate event.

All events will follow NSDA rules as articulated in the Middle School Manual.

Entry Fees and Payment Instructions

Entry Fees:

Per Policy entry:	\$45
Per Lincoln-Douglas entry:	\$35
Per Congress entry:	\$30
Per Public Forum entry:	\$45
Per Speech entry:	\$30
Per Duo Entry:	\$40
Per World Schools Team.	\$60
Per Middle School Speech entry.	\$20
Per Middle School Policy or PF	\$30

Checks should be made out to: Lyceum Schools, Inc.

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