

West Bend United
Invitational Forensics Tournament
Friday, February 7, 2025 (Congress Online)
Saturday, February 8, 2025 (Individual Events in Person)

Congress info:

1. Schedule: 3:00 – 3:30 Registration on Tabroom
3:30 – 3:45 Set Agenda
3:45 - 4:00 PO Voting
4:00 – 5:15 Session # 1
5:15 - 5:35 Dinner Break
5:40– 7:05 Session # 2
7:10 Voting followed by Awards

We plan to limit chambers to 8-12 participants. Late students will join Congress “in progress”. This may negatively affect their final ranks.

2. One PO for each session.
3. Awards will be Top PO and 1st and 2nd Speaker in each Chamber. If a student is both Top PO and 1st or 2nd speaker in the chamber, they will be awarded only the Top PO honor bestowed upon them by their fellow competitors. This way, we can “share the wealth”/ “spread the love” amongst the students.

Legislation

Must be uploaded no later than noon on Thursday, January 30th. No exceptions. Legislation will be posted on TABROOM by noon on Friday, January 31st. Make copies for your use. To eliminate unfair advantage, only posted legislation may be used in chambers. Legislation should be submitted to tabroom in PDF format using the template on the site.

Participants

1. Remain in the same chamber for both sessions.
2. Select a PO for each session.
3. Will determine Top PO with one vote per school.
4. Collect your score sheets from Tabroom.
5. Set agenda – one student per school.
6. To help shyer speakers, precedence will not reset for session # 2.

Scorekeepers

1. Will write critiques for speeches. Please provide detailed comments.

2. Will rank all speakers at the end of each session (based on speeches, questions and general decorum. The PO can be included in your ranks.)

Parliamentarians

1. Will score the PO twice during the session.
2. Will rank all speakers (after session 2) based on both sessions.
3. Will conduct voting for session PO's and Top PO.

Register on www.tabroom.com \$ 10 per student. One judge for 1- 5 students.

Two judges needed for 6 or more participants.

Specific chamber assignments for judges and students will be made during registration.

Questions ?? Email them to me: dwyatt@wbsd-schools.org

Location: West Bend High Schools 1305 E. Decorah Rd. West Bend 53095

Individual Events Info

Entries: There is no entry limit in each event, however, the top 25 contestants from each school will be determined for team trophies.

Rules: This tournament will follow WFC A rules. If your school participates in WISDAA tournaments/festivals, please advise your students of the differences in rules where applicable.

Registration Info: Registration will open on tabroom.com The registration deadline is 5:00pm on Wednesday, February 5.

Judges: Each school must supply one qualified judge for every five entries or fraction thereof. (For example, if you have ten entries, you must provide two judges. If you have eleven entries, you must provide three judges.) A limited number of hired judges will be available at \$150 each. All judges must have linked accounts on tabroom.com in order to be registered and judge.

Directions are posted on the tournament website. Specific directions will be emailed to judges when rounds are released. All judging will be completed online.

Fees: Individual Events \$15; Group Events \$20; Congress \$10 (Congress details are included on above). Fees will be calculated based on your entries as of 5:00pm on Thursday, February 6.

COVID Protocols: Wearing a mask in our school building is optional. Students who choose to wear a mask during their performance will not be penalized by judges, or subject to critique for wearing a mask.

Security: Our school district updated its security plans. Included are rules for us regarding entry to the building. When you arrive, you must enter via the main entrance at WEST High School. These will be the only doors that are unlocked. These doors shall remain unlocked from 7:00 AM – 8:30 AM. If you, a judge, student, or bus driver need to enter the building for any reason after 8:30 AM, please alert tab room staff or an adult volunteer at the student concessions table in the East cafeteria.

Schedule: Registration, check in on tabroom.com Registration ends at 7:45

8:30 Student meeting in EAST cafeteria

Judge meeting in EAST library

Extemp/Radio draw in EAST Study Hall (2701)

9:00 Round 1

10:15 Round 2

11:30 Round 3

LUNCH

Final Rounds beginning at 12:30

Awards at 2:30

Hospitality: Food and beverages will be available to all judges and bus drivers in the judges' lounge. (EAST cafeteria). We will also provide all the usual snack type suspects.

Students will be able to purchase items a la carte in East cafeteria. Lunch for students is NOT included in registration fees. We will have typical breakfast fare such as donuts, fruit, and juice available, along with the usual chips, candy bars, bottled water, soda, etc throughout the day.

Awards:

Trophies will be awarded to the top three students in each event. Medals will be awarded to the finalists. Team awards will be awarded as follows:

Places 1 – 3 in Small (based on quality), Medium (based on quality) and Large (based on total points).

Team sizes for awards will be small 5-11, medium 12-18, large 18-25. All team results will be available for download at tabroom.com.

Ballots and Results: Ballots and results will be available on tabroom.com after the tournament.

Please make checks payable to West Bend Forensics and mail to:

West Bend East HS

1305 E. Decorah Rd.

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Attn: David Wyatt

Please direct questions to:

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or

Tournament Host David Wyatt at 414-688-0714 or dwyatt@wbsd-schools.org