



**Sylvania Schools  
Speech and Debate Invitational  
January 16-17, 2009  
[www.sylvaniainvitational.net](http://www.sylvaniainvitational.net)**



Sylvania Schools cordially invites you to an all events tournament to be held Friday, January 16 and Saturday, January 18, 2009. We will provide two days of strong competition, which we know you will find helpful as we rapidly approach district tournaments. We offer an all events\* tournament with PDQ in Varsity Debate, contingent upon 24 teams from 8 schools participating.

**Individual Events: Sylvania Northview High School**

5403 Silica Drive  
Sylvania, Ohio 43560  
(419) 824-8570 Extension 5185

**Debate/Congress: Sylvania Southview High School**

7225 Sylvania Ave.  
Sylvania, Ohio 43660  
(419) 824-8580 Extension 6167

**Individual Events:** Humorous Interpretation, Dramatic Interpretation, Duo Interpretation, Prose/Poetry, International and United States Extemporaneous Speaking, Original Oratory, Oratorical Interpretation and Impromptu Speaking

**Debate Events:** Varsity Policy, Public Forum and Lincoln-Douglas

The topic for Policy Debate – Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase alternative energy incentives in the United States.

The topic for Lincoln-Douglas Debate – Resolved: The United States ought to submit to the jurisdiction of an international court designed to prosecute crimes against humanity.

The topic for Public Forum Debate – Resolved: That, by 2040, the federal government should mandate that all new passenger vehicles and light trucks sold in the United States be powered by alternative fuels.

**Student Congress:** Congress participants wishing to submit legislation must email the legislation as a Microsoft Word document by Wednesday, January 7. Email the legislation to [sysv\\_aca\\_ac@nwoca.org](mailto:sysv_aca_ac@nwoca.org). Teams may access the legislation by Saturday, January 10 through the tournament website.

**Judges:** In **Policy**, one judge is required for every two teams unit the school registers. In **L-D**, one judge is required for every two contestants, with two judges needed for three or four contestants. In **Public Forum**, one judge is required for every two teams competing. In **Individual Events and Student Congress**, one judge is required for **every one to five students** competing. A duo team counts as one contestant. So, if you bring six contestants, you should bring two judges, if you bring eleven contestants you should bring three judges, and so on. We schedule all five preliminary rounds ahead of time, so please bring the required judges in all events.

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\* with the exception of four-person debate

**A drop of a judge will result in a \$50.00 per day penalty** that will be assessed at the tournament. We allow no student judges.

**Hired Judges:** We will offer some judges for hire, based on availability. Please email early if you must hire a judge. **Judges cost \$50.00 per day or \$100.00 for both days.**

**Registration and Fees:**

All registrations and fees will be collected in the lobby of Northview High School. Registration fees are as follows:

Individual Events	\$6.00 per contestant
Congress	\$6.00 per contestant
Lincoln Douglas	\$10.00 per contestant
2 person Debate	\$30.00 per team
Public Forum	\$20.00 per team

Each team must pay a \$5.00 fee to defray the costs of the SpeechWire service.

**Rounds:** Check the schedule for the number of rounds/sessions in each event.

**Awards:** Since Sylvania is nestled in the Northwest corner of Toledo, the glass capital of the world, we will be offering unique and special awards made of glass to all contestants in final rounds and in debate to quarter and semi-finalists. We also award a Sylvania Invitational Champion briefcase to the winner(s) in each event and plaques to the top six contestants in each event. The top ten speakers in debate will win speaker awards. Sweepstakes awards will also be presented. The Award Ceremony will be held at the Southview Theater at 5:45 p.m. on Saturday.

As we did last year, we will offer special Sylvania Invitational T-shirts for sale at both schools. The cost is \$10.00.

**Meals:** Speech & Debate Boosters will be offering food at a minimal price on Friday and Saturday at each school. You will find no restaurants in the immediate area and students will be encouraged to eat at the schools. We will provide food for judges at both schools for no cost.

**Housing:** Check the tournament website for information on local hotels and special tournament pricing.

**Transportation:** Coaches must provide transportation between the two schools. The tournament will offer no shuttle bus.

**Deadline:** All registrations are due by 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 13. All teams must register through Speech Wire. Visit [www.sylvaniainvitational.net](http://www.sylvaniainvitational.net) for information.

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## **Schedule (subject to slight changes, including flighting):**

### **Tournament**

*Friday*

3:00pm-4:00pm	Registration at Northview High School
4:00pm-4:15pm	Opening Assemblies at Northview and Southview
4:15pm-4:30pm	Judges' Meetings at Northview and Southview
4:30pm	Rounds Begin

*Saturday*

5:45pm	Awards Assembly at the Southview Theater
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### **Individual Events**

*Friday*

4:00pm	Extemp Draw
4:30pm	Round I
5:45pm	Dinner
6:15pm	Round II
7:30pm	Round III

*Saturday*

8:30am	Extemp Draw
9:00am	Round IV
10:30am	Round V
12:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm	Semi-Final Round
3:00pm	Final Round

### **LD/PF Debate**

*Friday*

4:30pm	Round I
5:15pm	Round II
6:00pm	Dinner
6:30pm	Round III
7:45pm	Round IV

*Saturday*

7:45am	Posting
8:00am	Round V
9:30am	Round VI
10:45am	Quarter-Final Round
11:00am	Lunch
12:00pm	Semi-Final Round
1:30pm	Final Round

### **Congress**

*Friday*

4:30pm	Session I
6:00pm	Dinner
6:30pm	Session II

*Saturday*

8:00am	Session III
10:15am	Super Session
11:45am	Lunch

### **Policy Debate**

*Friday*

4:30pm	Round I
6:00pm	Round II
8:00pm	Round III

*Saturday*

8:00am	Round IV
10:00am	Round V
12:00pm	Elimination Rounds Begin