Brentwood's 1st Annual
Brentwood Classic Varsity Tournament 2022
Brentwood High School Speech and Debate Team
2221 High School Drive, St Louis, MO 63144

November 22, 2021

Brentwood High School would like to invite you to attend our first annual Varsity Invitational Speech and Debate Tournament at Brentwood High School/Middle School on **January 21-22, 2022**. We will be using Speechwire for some asynchronous individual event rounds with all other rounds being held **IN PERSON**.

We will offer competition in the following events: Original Oratory, Informative Speaking, Humorous Interp, Dramatic Interp, Duo Interp, POI, Domestic Extemp, International Extemp, Student Congress, Lincoln-Douglas Debate (5 rounds), Policy Debate (5 rounds), Public Forum Debate (5 rounds), Radio Speaking, Storytelling, Prose, Poetry. We will be enforcing a cap of THREE entries per debate event and FIVE entries per individual event given room availability.

Additionally, please see the judging obligations for each school as they are explained below. Please fill out our online judge registration form. The link will be found in a document sent out after the Thanksgiving holiday.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me. My cell phone number is 417-658-8501. You may send tournament-related emails to me at jwallis@brentwoodmoschools.org. Either method of communication works well, and I will do my best to return messages within 24-48 hours.

Entries shall be accepted until Sunday, January 16, 2022. We would appreciate your confirmed entry no later than Monday, January 17, 2022 at NOON - drops after this time forfeit the entry fee. Drops on the day of the tournament will result in a fee of $15 per dropped entry.

Finally, we are so excited to be part of this amazing community of speech and debate in the St. Louis region and want to thank you all for your continued support. We look forward to welcoming you for a weekend of exciting in person competition after so many months of being online!

Thank you,

John Wallis   MacLain Naumann
Head Coach   Assistant Coach

COVID Rules

1) For areas where your teams will spend down time, we will assign you a part of the school to make sure that people are spread out and that social distancing can be enforced.
2) Masks will be REQUIRED for all people entering the building and will be strongly enforced. If a competitor is not wearing their mask, they will be given two warnings before being removed from competition. Likewise, judges/coaches will be required to be masked or they will be asked to leave the tournament. This will be enforced by tournament staff stationed throughout the building and through an excel sheet shared with all coaches/sponsors.
3) In rounds, only the judge and ONE competitor (with the exception of DUO and team debate formats) will be allowed in the room at a time. Both must be masked and AT LEAST six feet apart. Once done, the next competitor will wait for the previous one to leave the room before entering.
4) We will have masks available for competitors and judges to use, and will provide them based on need.

EVENTS OFFERED

Each school may enter up to but no more than FIVE students in each IE division and no more than THREE in each debate event. Charge is $10/entry for speech & $15/entry debate.

ASYNCHRONOUS EVENTS	IN PERSON SPEECH	IN PERSON DEBATE
Radio Speaking	Original Oratory	Policy
Prose	Informative Speaking	Lincoln Douglas
Poetry	Dramatic Interp	Public Forum
Storytelling	Humorous Interp	
	DUO Interp	
	POI	
	Domestic Extemp	
	International Extemp	
	Student Congress	

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, January 18, 2022-Friday, January 21, 2022
Tuesday-Friday All Events Rounds Judged asynchronously
4pm Tuesday, January 18th - Asynchronous Rounds Sent to Judges
12pm Friday, January 21st - Asynchronous Ballots Due

Friday, January 21, 2022
2:30-3:30PM Registration
3:30PM Round 1 of Debate
5:00PM Round 2 of Debate
6:30 PM Round 3 of Debate
8:00PM Round 4 of Debate

Saturday, January 22, 2022
8:00AM QUARTERS of Debate
9:30AM SEMIS of Debate
11:00AM EXTEMP DRAW
11:15AM IE Round 1
11:30AM EXTEMP Round 1
12:30PM-1:30 LUNCH BREAK
1:30 PM EXTEMP DRAW
1:45PM IE Round 2
2:00PM EXTEMP Round 2
3:00PM SEMIS OF EXTEMP DRAW
3:15PM SEMIS of IEs
3:30PM EXTEMP SEMIS
4:30PM EXTEMP DRAW
4:45PM IE Finals
5:00PM EXTEMP Finals
6:00PM AWARDS
6:30PM FINALS OF DEBATE

DEADLINES

INITIAL ENTRIES	FINALIZED ENTRIES
Due in Speechwire by Sunday, Jan. 16th @ 11:59pm. No schools may enter after this time.	Changes due by Wednesday January 19th @ 11:59pm. Any drops after this time cannot be filled and will be charged an entry fee.

ASYNCHRONOUS SPEECH RECORDINGS
Links must be submitted via Speechwire by Tuesday, Jan. 18th @ 12pm Any entries not uploaded will be considered a drop and will forfeit the entry fee

JUDGE SUBMISSIONS
All obligated judging assignments must be entered on the online form by Tuesday, Jan. 18th @ 12pm. Any obligation not met will result in a fee of $25

Judging Requirements and Expectations

Schools will be obligated to provide rounds for judging based on entry totals. Schools will be expected to withdraw entries to meet expectations if necessary. Since this is our 1st tournament, we are opening this up to five entries per event, and we are a small school, we are asking you to help provide a few more judges than other, larger tournaments. Judge obligations are:

● 1 judge for every 8 event entries
● 1 judge for every 4 debate entries

Eligible Judges include:
● Coaches should mark as much availability as possible
● All judges should have access to the internet to able to judge (some paper ballots will be available in extreme circumstances)

Judge Expectations:
● All judging assignments will be posted in Speechwire. Accounts will be connected by the host.
● Please sign up knowing you should arrive in your room 15 minutes prior to start time. Any rounds you sign up to judge will likely be assigned to you. Do not sign up for a time you cannot make.
● All judge comments should focus on the competitor's performance in the round - not on their clothing, competition space, etc.

Awards & Sweepstakes Rules

A livestream and in person ceremony will be presented. We will recognize the TOP SIX competitors in each event as well as the top EIGHT teams in debate. In terms of team awards, we will recognize the top 5 teams. Each school's BEST THREE ENTRIES in each event/division will be tabulated for sweepstakes awards.

Points in Events & Debate will be awarded to the top two entries from each school as follows:

Any Entry……………………………………… one point
Event Finals……………….…………………. ten points
Event Third Place……………………........ five points
Event Second Place………………………….. ten points
Event First Place……………………………… fifteen points
Debate Win …………………………………… five points

How to Register

1) Coaches will need to login to Speechwire.com to accept the tournament invitation
2) You will register your team as usual.
   a) Log into Speechwire and click the team roster.
   b) For students already listed on your roster, click the student you want to send an activation email to. Use the email field to add their email address, and when that is saved, the student will immediately receive an email with an activation link to activate their account
   c) For students not listed on your roster, use the fields at the top of the page to add students. If an email address is included, then the student will immediately receive an email with an activation link to activate their account
   d) Make sure that students can access their account BEFORE the tournament.
3) You will NOT input judges into Speechwire. Please sign up via the link below. The tournament host will create these accounts.
4) You will need to upload your links for events.
   a) You must use a recording platform that is easily opened by judges & is public to anyone with the link, such as YouTube or Loom. If this does not work for you, please contact the tournament host.
   b) Please ensure the link is PUBLIC.
5) All balloting will be done via Speechwire with some paper ballots available.

DOCUMENTS WITH IMPORTANT LINKS AND EVENTS RULES WILL BE POSTED ON SPEECHWIRE AND SENT AFTER THE THANKSGIVING BREAK