



January 21, 2023

Academy of Holy Angels

Anoka

Austin

Becker

Community Christian School

Dassel-Cokato High School

Maple Grove

Marshall

Math and Science Academy

Mounds Park Academy

Mounds View

Orono

Princeton

Prior Lake

Providence Academy

St. Francis

Two Rivers High School

Wayzata

Westonka Speech Team

Willmar High School

GENERAL INFORMATION

ASSISTANCE - *If you need assistance at any time, and are in Mound Westonka High School, please come to the ballot table outside the main office upstairs. If you are in Hilltop, please go to the info table in the foyer outside the cafeteria and media center.*

JUDGES - All judges should report to the judges lounge, upstairs in the Mound Westonka High School. *A brief meeting for all judges will be held at 8:15 a.m. in the Little Theater.*

JUDGES/COACHES LOUNGE: There are judges/coaches lounges with beverages and snacks at the High School. Lunch for judges & coaches will only be available in the High School judges/coaches lounge - located off the Cafeteria on the 2nd floor.

STUDENT CONCESSIONS - snacks & beverages will be sold at the concession stands at the HS - located on the 1st floor by the Gym.

DRAWS - Draws will take place in the Media Center which is on the lower level of the Mound Westonka High School. *A brief meeting for all draw students will be held at 8:15 a.m. in the MWHS Media Center.*

TOURNAMENT EVENTS & LOCATIONS:

- We will have novice and varsity divisions with three preliminary rounds in all categories except Impromptu and POI.
- Breaks to final rounds will be the top competitors in combined divisions to the top Final Round. In categories with more than 35 competitors, we will break to the Next-In Round in combined divisions. In categories with more than 50 competitors, we will break to the Merit Round in combined divisions. We will then break only the top novices to a Novice Round should enough novices remain who did not break to another final round format.
- POI and Impromptu may or may not have a final round. This will be determined if there are unbreakable ties coming out of prelims. Otherwise POI and Impromptu awards will be determined by prelim ranks.
- All Draws (including Storytelling and Extemp. Reading), Discussion, Impromptu and Public Address categories will have preliminary rounds at Mound Westonka High School
- All Interp categories (except Storytelling and Extemp. Reading) will have preliminary rounds at Hilltop Elementary School.
- All Final rounds will be at Mound Westonka High School.

INTERNET - Internet use for researching is allowed in Discussion and Extemp. Speaking during prep time. It is not permitted during Impromptu. Use the "Westonka" Wi-Fi network at both schools.

ONLINE SCHEDULES: Rounds will be posted on speechwire.com. Just navigate to our tournament and select "Schematics" then choose your category.

<https://postings.speechwire.com/c-postings-schem.php?tournid=13202>

NEW CATEGORIES - In addition to all MSHSL recognized categories we have added the following categories for today's tournament:

Program Oral Interpretation (POI):

A program of thematically-linked selections of literary merit, chosen from two or three recognized genres of interp (prose/poetry/drama). A substantial portion of the total time must be devoted to each of the genres used in the program.

Different genre means that material must appear in separate pieces of literature (e.g. A poem included in a short story that appears only in the short story does not constitute a poetry genre).

Use of manuscript is required, and the manuscript may be used as a prop. Time limit is 10 minutes, including an original introduction and/or transitions.

IMPROMPTU

Impromptu is a public speaking event where students draw 2 prompts from an envelope, choose one, and then have seven minutes to give a speech on the prompt they chose. There is no prep time for Impromptu. Speakers should be judged on organization (Does the speech have clear structure? Does it make sense?), analysis (Does the student directly address the prompt? Do their points relate to the prompt?) and delivery (confidence, eye contact, vocal expression, articulation).

JUDGING IMPROMPTU - Should you judge Impromptu, you will be the one to open the draw for each student. As a student arrives to speak, you will click "Edit comments" on your ballot in live.speechwire.com just as if you were going to enter critiques. There you will see a link at the top of the text box that says "Open draw for student". Click that link, and tell the student to refresh their ballot. The student should refresh their ballot (also on live.speechwire.com) and will see and choose the prompt they will speak on. This is also the time your stopwatch should begin, and they then have 7 minutes to prepare and speak on the topic. You can also refresh your judge's ballot to see which prompt they chose.

SCORING - Please rank competitors through all places, from 1 -7th place. We will not be using percentages.

TIME LIMITS - PLEASE do not penalize a speaker for going over their time limit. You can note it on their critique sheet. If you see something you believe may be a rules violation, note that concern on the critique sheet so the student and his/her coach can check it out before the section tournaments but **PLEASE** do not make it a major issue in scoring performance today.

CRITIQUES - JUDGING WILL BE ONLINE - Please go to live.Speechwire.com for your ballots and critique sheets. **SUBMIT YOUR RANKS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ROUND HAS FINISHED.** You have up until the end of the awards ceremony to finish writing your critiques, but we need to have the ranks in right away in order to keep the tournament on schedule. We recommend writing your critiques in another text editor (Microsoft Word, Notes, etc) during the round, and then copy-pasting that into the text box in live.speechwire.com after the round is over.

DOUBLE ENTRIES - Double and triple entering is permissible. Being entered in more than one draw category, or Discussion plus another draw category are not permitted. The exception is Impromptu, which may be added as a second or third category to Discussion or another draw category.

AWARDS - The Awards Ceremony will be held in the Westonka Performing Arts Center, located to the left of the Cafeteria at the High School.

SPECIFIC WESTONKA HIGH SCHOOL SITE INFORMATION

EVENTS - ALL DRAW categories (Extemp Speaking, Extemp Reading, Storytelling), Discussion, Impromptu and all other Public Address Categories: Original Oratory, Informative Speaking, Great Speeches and all final rounds will be held at Mound Westonka High School.

DRAWS - Extemp. Speaking, Extemp Reading and Storytelling draws will be downstairs, in the High School Media Center. ALL DRAWS WILL BE ONLINE. Students must login to live.speechwire.com and report in person to the draw room manager for their category at their assigned draw time each round. The manager WILL NOT open a draw for a student until physically present in the Media Center. *There will be a meeting in the Media Center for all draw students at 8:15 a.m.*

JUDGES'/COACHES' LOUNGE - The judges/coaches lounge is located in The Teachers Lounge and Halsteads Bay Room on the 2nd floor of the HS, off of the cafeteria. Coffee and goodies will be waiting for you prior to the judges' meeting and lunch will also be provided for all judges. If you have a by for a given round, please remain in or near the lounge in case you are needed to judge. *There will be a meeting in the Little Theater for all judges at 8:15 a.m.*

TAB ROOM - The tab room is located in the Main Office on the upper level of the High School. There will be a ballot table just outside the entrance for you to ask for help with anything.

SPECIFIC HILLTOP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE INFORMATION

EVENTS - All non-draw Interp. Categories: Creative Expression, Drama, Prose, Poetry, Humor, Creative Expression and Program Oral Interp. preliminary rounds will be held at Hilltop Elementary School.

TAB ROOM - There is no Tab Room at Hilltop - we will have a Tab Representative in the MS for questions and troubleshooting if necessary. Go to the info table in the foyer outside the cafeteria and media center for assistance.

NAVIGATION - Enter Hilltop through door 8N. The cafeteria will be available through prelim rounds for students to keep your gear, but no food will be served there. All students should head back to the high school after round 3.

FINAL ROUNDS - ALL novice finals and varsity final rounds will be held at Mound Westonka High School. After round 3 all speakers, judges and coaches should walk back to Mound Westonka High School. Final rounds will be posted electronically on speechwire.com and students making those rounds will receive their ballots electronically at the same time those rounds are posted under Schematics.

SCHEDULE

Tournament schedule

Jan. 21, 2023	
8:00 AM	Registration Closes
8:15 AM	Judge & Draw Meetings
8:30 AM	Discussion Round 1 & Prep (ER, ES, STY) Round 1: DIS Prep: ER, ES, STY
9:00 AM	Round 1 (All Categories except Discussion & Impromptu) Round 1: CrX, DI, DUO, ER, ES, GrSp, HI, INF, OO, POE, PRO, STY
9:15 AM	Round 1 Impromptu & POI Round 1: IMP, POI
10:15 AM	Discussion Round 2 & Prep (ER, ES, STY) Round 2: DIS Prep: ER, ES, STY
10:45 AM	Round 2 (All Categories except Discussion & Impromptu) Round 2: CrX, DI, DUO, ER, ES, GrSp, HI, INF, OO, POE, PRO, STY
11:00 AM	Round 2 Impromptu & POI Round 2: IMP, POI
12:15 PM	Discussion Round 3 & Prep (ER, ES, STY) Round 3: DIS Prep: ER, ES, STY
12:45 PM	Round 3 (All Categories except Discussion & Impromptu) Round 3: CrX, DI, DUO, ER, ES, GrSp, HI, INF, OO, POE, PRO, STY
1:00 PM	Round 3 Impromptu & POI Round 3: IMP, POI
2:00 PM	Finals for Discussion & Prep (ER, ES, STY) Final round: DIS Prep: ER, ES, STY
2:30 PM	Finals for All Categories (Except Discussion & Impromptu) Final round: CrX, DI, DUO, ER, ES, GrSp, HI, INF, OO, POE, PRO, STY
2:45 PM	Final Round Impromptu & POI (if numbers warrant) Final round: IMP, POI

**ALL FINAL ROUND DRAWS AND FINAL ROUNDS AS WELL AS AWARDS WILL
BE HELD AT MOUND WESTONKA HIGH SCHOOL**