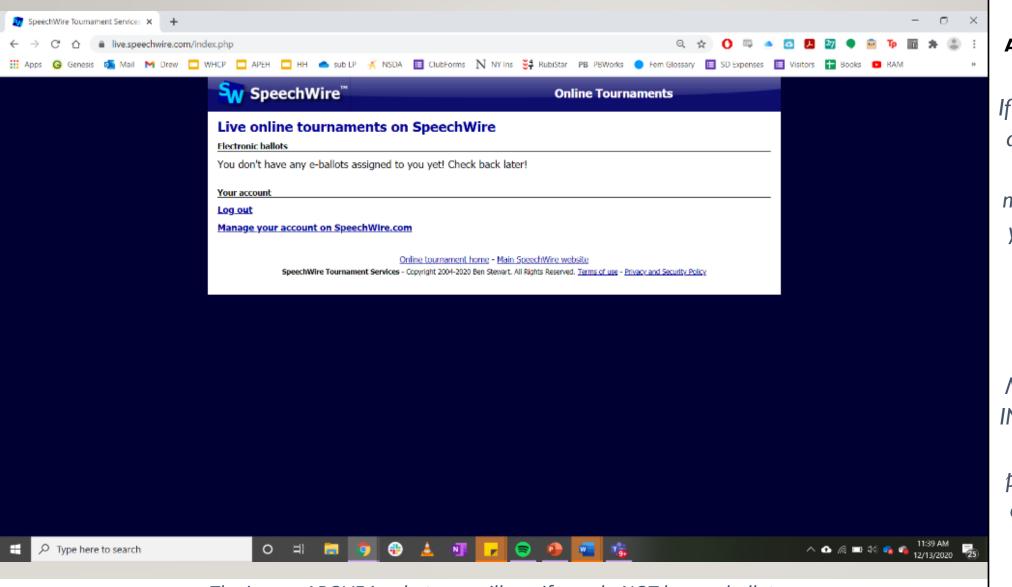
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### Important Tips:

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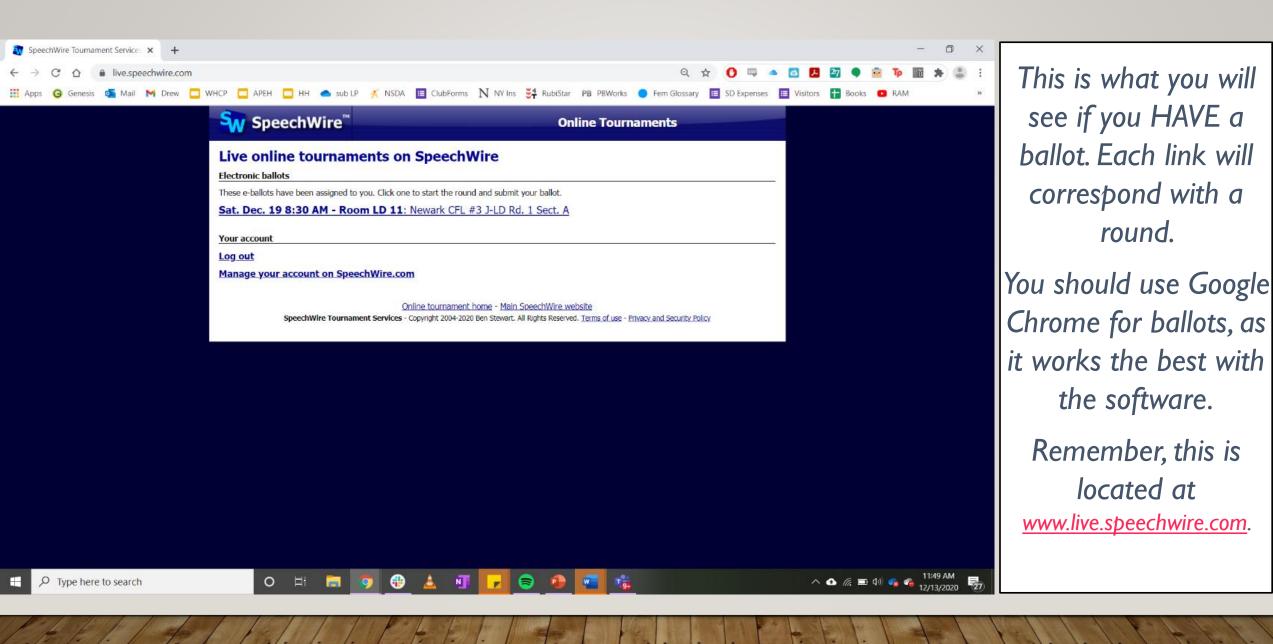


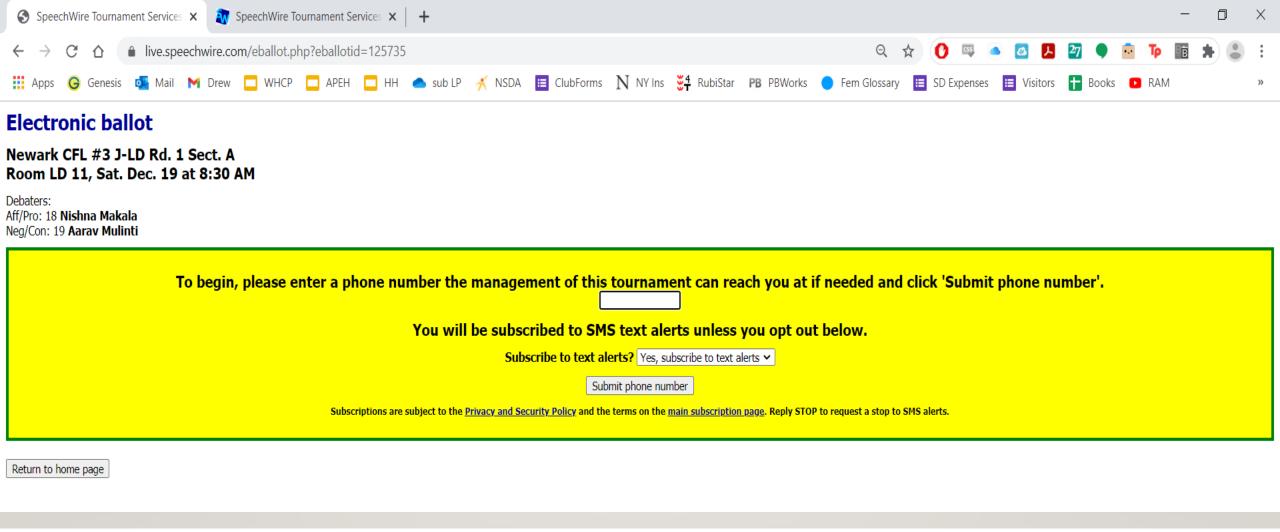
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When you click on the correct ballot link, you will see this yellow box pop up in the BEGINNING OF THE DAY. This phone number will allow tournament staff to contact you if there is an issue. Your phone number will not be posted on the ballot for students to see.

You will also have an option to subscribe to text alerts at this point – I recommend that you do this so that you are doubly aware of an upcoming round.

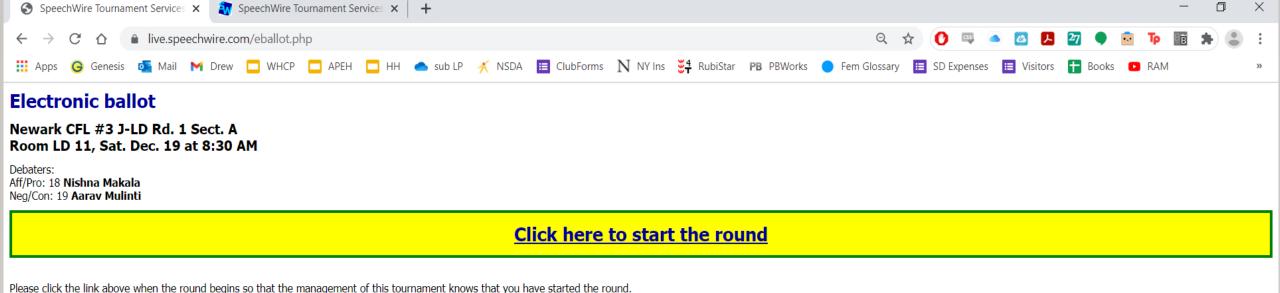
Newark CFL #1 V-DEC Rd. 1 Sect. A Room 106, Sat. Nov. 12 at 9:00 AM Judge: Ben Stewart TEST

Click here to let the tournament know you're on your way

Please click the link above when you leave for your round so that the management of this tournament knows that you are on your way.

Once you click on this link, the tournament will know that you are on your way.

You should click this link, pack your things, and head to the room/place you are judging!



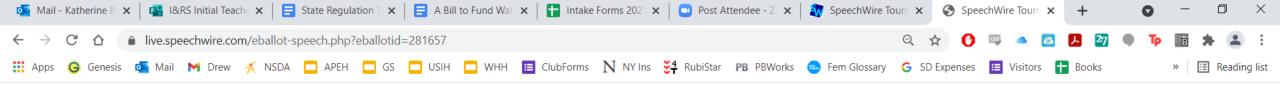
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## Then, click to start the round.

Doing this will show Tab (the tournament staff) that you are ready, in the room, and about to start judging.

Once you are in the ballot, you can double-check to make sure all information is correct (i.e. your name, and the names/schools of the competitors).



### **Electronic ballot**

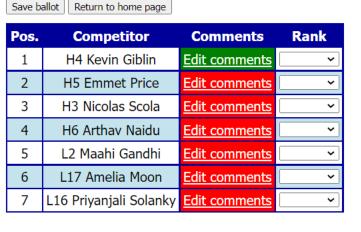
Randolph Fall Classic CL Rd. 1 Sect. A Wed. Nov. 30 at 12:00 AM Judge: Katherine Burke

This is an asynchronous round, which means you will be watching pre-recorded videos of students' performances. To watch a video, click the 'Edit comments' for the student whose video you want to watch below, then click the large link to watch their video that appears.

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On a **SPEECH BALLOT,** you will see the names of the students with their codes, comments, and ranks.

Click "Edit comments" to enter your comments and critiques. Please type them on a Word document, so that if you lose wifi, you don't lose all of your comments!









































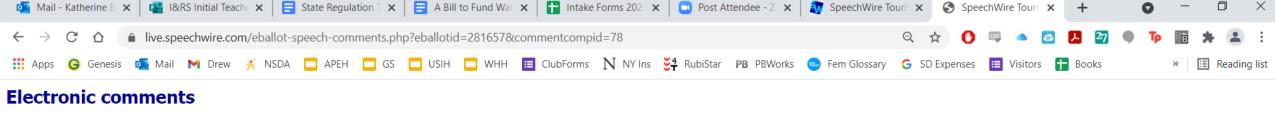




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Randolph Fall Classic CL Rd. 1 Sect. A Room , Wed. Nov. 30 at 12:00 AM

Speaker #1 -- H4 Kevin Giblin

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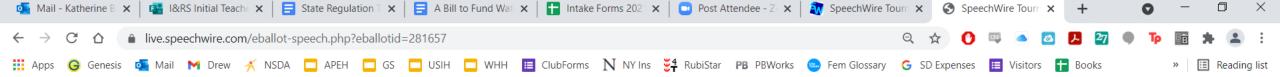
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When you click on "Edit comments," you will then see this screen.

This is a **SPEECH BALLOT.** As you watch each student's erformance, please write notes in Microsoft Word. Then, copy and paste them into the box you see here.

ou should also **keep time** so that you can write the time in he **"Performance time (length)"** under your comments. This is very important!



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Pos.	Competitor	Comments	Rank
1	H4 Kevin Giblin	Edit comments	~
2	H5 Emmet Price	Edit comments	
3	H3 Nicolas Scola	Edit comments	~
4	H6 Arthav Naidu	Edit comments	~
5	L2 Maahi Gandhi	Edit comments	~
6	L17 Amelia Moon	Edit comments	~
7	L16 Priyanjali Solanky	Edit comments	~

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FINALLY, rank the competitors. You cannot have two students earning the same rank. Make sure that the BEST in the room gets a 1. In this room, the "worst" in the room would get a 7 because there are 7 students in the room.

































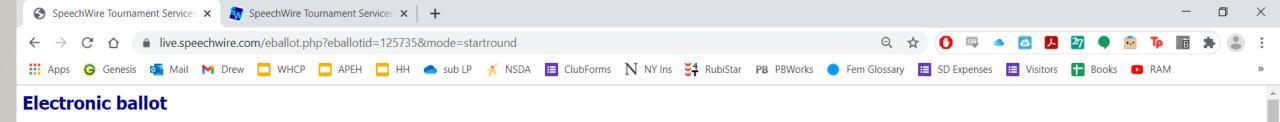












Thank you. The round has started.

Newark CFL #3 J-LD Rd. 1 Sect. A Room LD 11, Sat. Dec. 19 at 8:30 AM

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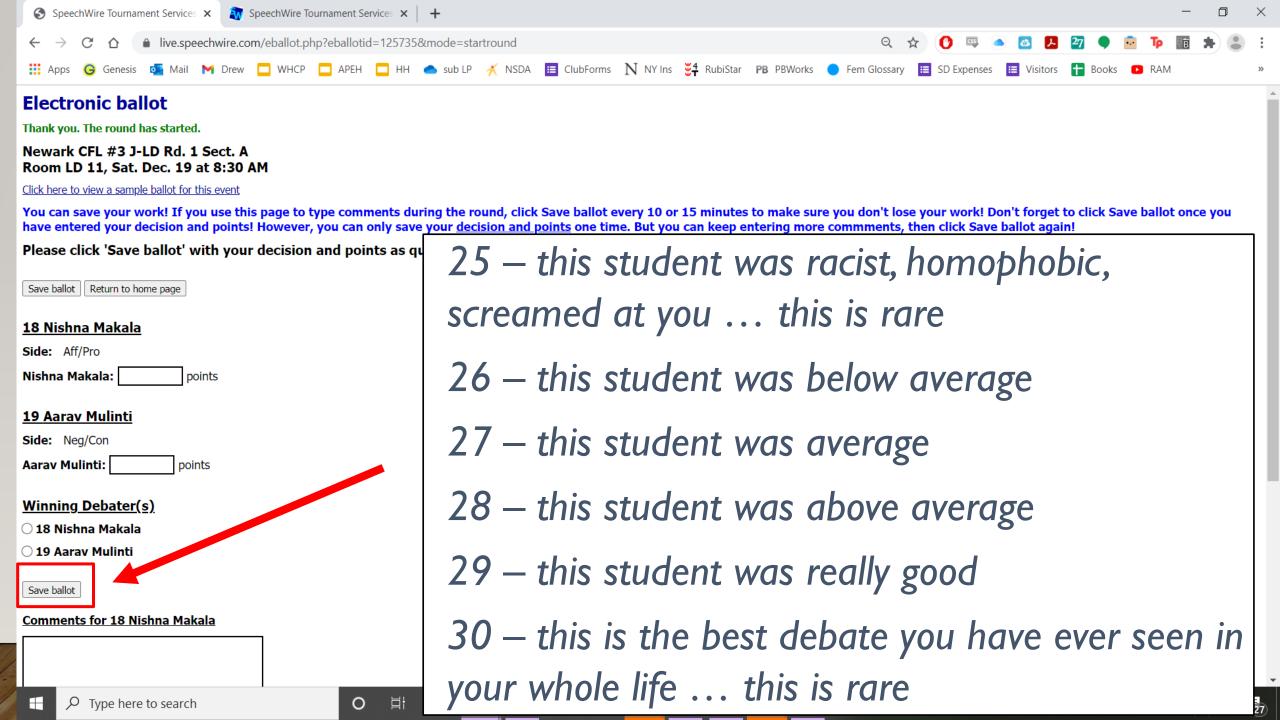
You can save your work! If you use this page to type comments during the round, click Save ballot every 10 or 15 minutes to make sure you don't lose your work! Don't forget to click Save ballot once you have entered your decision and points! However, you can only save your decision and points one time. But you can keep entering more commments, then click Save ballot again!

Please click 'Save ballot' with your decision and points as quickly as possible once the debate ends! You can complete your comments later. Tab needs the decision and points ASAP.



This is a **DEBATE BALLOT.** Notice that it is a little different!

Here, you will pick a winner and a loser, assign speaker points, and write comments. Make sure to write your comments in Microsoft Word so that you do not lose them! Our point values range from 25 to 30 points. Then, **save your ballot.** Please save your winner ASAP!



### **IMPORTANT**

Please save your winners/losers (in debate) and ranks (in speech) <u>AS SOON AS POSSIBLE</u> so that we can keep the tournament running on time. **You can edit your comments afterwards.** 

If you made a mistake with the winner/loser or ranks, please **contact Tab immediately.** You can edit comments, but you cannot edit winners/losers or ranks. "Tab" just means the tournament staff running the event.

Make sure your comments encourage our students! They read every word of these ballots, make it so they are excited to come back to the next tournament! Be kind and give them useful feedback, and include compliments!

### **SOME POINTERS:**

- Be fair and encouraging! We want kids to come back the next week, either in person or virtually.
- Be equitable. Don't make comments on things that students cannot change. Don't make comments on students' backgrounds or the presence of family members/pets/street noises in their videos OR clothing choices that they have made for an in-person event.
- Some common things to write:
  - Vary your characters! It was hard to tell \_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_. OR I loved the strength of your characters!
  - Vary your tone, get quieter/louder to emphasize the story
  - I liked when you did \_\_\_\_\_ because it made me feel \_\_\_\_\_
  - I loved the way that you involved me in the piece by \_\_\_\_\_\_
  - I could tell that you really connected with \_\_\_\_\_
  - Your introduction was great! It showed the main point of the piece! OR Try to make your introduction to the piece a little more dynamic.
- Above all, have fun! Thank you so much for judging!!!
- If you have any questions email me at <a href="mailto:kburke@rtnj.org">kburke@rtnj.org</a> or text/call me at 609-954-4493.

This is an example of what students will see when they get their ballots.

This ballot is from VPF.

### Varsity Public Forum Debate Round 1 Section H - Judge D4 Ravi Upadhya (Montville Twp. HS)

Randolph High KS Kaily Kim and Christopher Sebastian (AFF) vs. Livingston TS Athena Thai\* and Sanjana Srinivasan\* (Neg)

Winning the debate: Randolph High KS Kaily Kim and Christopher Sebastian (AFF)

### Randolph High KS Kaily Kim and Christopher Sebastian (AFF)

Christopher Sebastian: 29 pts

Kaily Kim: pts

Comments: 1) The summary speech could've been a little bit clearer with more weighing.

- 2)On the racism subpoint, you had a really great chance to say "We don't eliminate biases overall, but we reduce it significantly in the healthcare industry" because obviously you cannot solve all racism. But do you solve racism? Bring it up for your future rounds!
- 3) Final Focus was awesome. Just one strategy thing I noticed, you should have just extended GBS in the final focus too. They completely dropped it during summary. I think the final focus was 100% as it is, but this would make it 125% a Pro ballot.

### <u>Livingston TS Athena Thai\* and Sanjana Srinivasan\* (Neg)</u>

Sanjana Srinivasan\*: pts

Athena Thai\*: 28.5 pts

Comments: 1) Be careful with the revenue/biotech argument. Private investors only care about returns. So they have to care about revenues.

2) There's a lack of weighing from both sides around this whole lives issue. From you guys I get this wait times argument. And from the aff, I have this Rural Hospitals, Innovative Drugs, and POC seeking care args. If you weighed between the different evidence, this round would be very difficult to decide.

#### **Reason for decision**

I vote pro on Innovative Drugs and Rural Hospitals argument. I don't really get weighing from either side between lives lost in both worlds. Neg is saying wait times means more lives lost while the Pro is saying that increased funding for rural hospitals and focusing on needed drugs will save lives. The only real quantifiable measure I get in terms of US statistics is from the Pro side. Neg, I think you need a study contextualizing wait times in the US and comparing it to the current times. And then doing analysis on how that affects POC. But, insofar as your evidence is about Canada/UK impacts, and I get quantifiable numbers from the affirmative about lives saved in Rural Hospitals and through Innovative Drugs, I vote pro.