



OCT. 31-NOV. 1, 2025 IN MANKATO, MN

**Thank you for entering the 2025 Vocal Viking.
We appreciate the support of this comprehensive tournament.
Here is some information to help you prepare for the tournament.**

Parking

On Friday, please park in Lots 5 or 7. However, there are several other events going on, parking might be at a premium. Park where you find a spot! You will not need a parking pass. Please look at the map on the last page. On Saturday, you can park in any lot but Lot 6 (the back door to Meyer Hall will be locked). We recommend lots 5 or 7 for Saturday. See the map for more information. Of course, Visitor spots are available to visitors and handicap parking is available for those with proper permits.

Check-in

The tournament headquarters will be in Honsey Hall. Check in and ballot table will be outside Honsey Hall 200, just inside the entrance of Honsey Hall by the corner of Marsh and Division streets. Registration begins at 11 am. Round 1 of Parliamentary Debate begins at 11:30. **For those only doing individual events, feel free to register later in the day during the first two rounds of debate.** Round 1 of IEs begins with Extemp draw at 2 pm.

Electronic Ballots

The Vocal Viking will use electronic ballots. Please bring a laptop or tablet computer that can connect to the internet. You can connect to the “student” wifi without a password.

Schedule

Friday, October 31

11 am	Registration-Honsey Hall 200
11:30	Parli 1
12:45	Parli 2
2 pm	EXT Draw – Honsey 212
2:30	A1
3:45	B1
5 pm	C1/Parli 3 (Do IEs first!)
6:30	B2

Group A	EXT, PER, DUO, POI
Group B	PRO, IMP, INF
Group C	POE, DI, ADS, CA, Parli

Saturday, November 1

7:30	Breakfast by Honsey 237
8:00	C2/Parli 4 (Do IEs first!)
9:30	EXT Draw – Honsey 212
10 am	A2
11 am	Parli Quarterfinals
	LUNCH (Food may be purchased in the Dining Center)
12:45	B and partial C finals, Parli Semifinals
2 pm	EXT Draw- Honsey 212
2:30	A and C Finals
3:45	Parli Finals – Trinity Chapel
5 pm	Awards (Trinity Chapel, shortly after Parli Finals)

Finals schedule is tentative based on judge availability.

Warm-up Rooms

Unfortunately, due to classes and competition on Friday, nearly all of our classrooms will be used. (Hey, our student body could completely fit in some of your classrooms!) Please be courteous about noise with classes going on. Warm up where you can find space. Saturday, nearly all the rooms are ours!

Food

Breakfast will be provided on Saturday morning starting at 7:30 am outside Honsey Hall room 239. You can purchase lunch on Saturday in our Dining Center for \$9.65+tax per person. You can pay at the door. There are several vending machines located throughout the campus. The judges' lounge will be well stocked. Mankato has a number of online food delivery services as well.

Weather

According to The Weather Channel website, last accessed on October 29, Mankato will have cooler weather both days. Highs will be in the mid-40s, lows around freezing. There is a chance of rain on Friday. All the builds we are using are connected by tunnels. Your students should only have to be outside to go to and from your vehicle.

Smoking

Bethany only allows smoking in designated areas. All participants will be given maps with the areas properly marked. Smoking is NOT allowed near the entrances to buildings.

Pumpkin Carving Contest

The Bethany Speech Team will gut a large number of pumpkins for students to carve. Each school will be allotted one pumpkin on Friday. Any remaining pumpkins are fair game on Saturday. Bethany will provide implements of destruction. Feel free to bring your own (if your school allows it). Students will vote Saturday after lunch for the winning pumpkin. The most popular pumpkin will win a prize!

Entries

12 schools have entered:

Bethany Lutheran College
Concordia College, Moorhead
Concordia University, Irvine
Concordia University, Nebraska
Dordt University
Minnesota State University, Mankato

Gustavus Adolphus College
Northwest College
St. Cloud State University
University of St. Thomas
University of Wisconsin, Whitewater
Valley City State University

Event Numbers

GROUP A		GROUP B		GROUP C	
EXT	24	PRO	14	POE	4
PER	5	IMP	18	DI	10
DUO	2	INF	12	ADS	6
POI	8			CA	8
				Parli	17

Events: ADS, DUO, PER, and POE will either have a second judge in a prelim round and not break to finals.

Parliamentary Debate will only have an Open division. Parli will break to quarterfinals.

Buildings

The Vocal Viking will primarily use Honsey Hall for the tournament. We will augment with Meyer Hall and the basement of Trinity Chapel. All buildings are connected by tunnels, so students should not have to go outside.

Event Reminders

Impromptu Speaking will have cartoons in round 1, objects in round 2, and quotations in finals. The 7 minutes will start 15 seconds after the student has seen the prompt. There will be a separate prompt for each speaker, so no one needs to leave the room.

Parliamentary Debate will be run using “Upper-Midwest-Style”. No coaching or group prep during the 15 minutes of preparation time. We announce the topic in the room. No research during prep time. A dictionary is the only thing to access. No warm room. No “flex” time. Remember, you are allowed to bring a copy of the NPDA rules of debate into the room.

Questions???

If you have any questions about the tournament, please contact Jon Logging at 507-344-7420 or email jon.logging@blc.edu. My cell phone number is 507-676-1441. Please call if you have changes on Thursday night or Friday morning. We look forward to your arrival and hope you enjoy your stay at Bethany!

Old Main

- Administration
- Admissions
- Anderson Hall
- Bookstore
- Financial Aid
- Security
- Student Union

Presidents Hall

- Advancement
- College Relations

VP = Visitor Parking

10 = 10 Minute Parking - Loading/
unloading, hazard lights must be left ON

**EV = Employee Permit Parking,
Visitor Parking after 5 p.m.**

Long Term Visitor Parking

(Overnight) Requires visitor parking permit
Please use student parking lots
Call campus security for permit - (507) 344-7888

NO curbside parking. Please use designated lots.



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