Warrenton High School
Warrior Invitational
Saturday, January 9, 2027

Dear coaches,

Get ready for the ultimate Showdown at WoTown!

The Warrenton High School Speech & Debate Team is excited to invite you all to our one-day speech tournament on **January 9, 2027**. We hope you will find a way to make it to our one-day tournament, and we are excited to have everyone visit.

Our tournament will be hosted at Warrenton High School
803 Pinckney Rd., Warrenton, MO 63383

- Please register for events via Speechwire by **Monday, December 21, 2026 at 4:00 PM.**
- Each school is guaranteed 2 entries per event. Additional entries will be added to a waitlist, and we will do our best to accommodate them as quickly as possible, if possible.
- Students may not triple enter.
- Drops can be made without a fee by **Wednesday, December 28, 2026 at 4:00 PM.** After this time, no additions may be requested, and drops will be charged the original entry fee plus a $5 late fee.
- If the drop is on the day of the tournament, call or text Nick Metts at 636-544-2456 or Emily Romano at 314-956-2106 with the information BEFORE arriving at the tournament.
- Entry fees are $10.00 per event. ($20.00 for DUO) Payment is due by registration. Please bring a check or Purchase Order when you register.
- A hospitality room will be provided for coaches, judges, and bus drivers.
- Buses may park in the student parking lot. We ask that drivers unload in the drive before the circle drive (see attached photos), then park along the back of the parking lot to allow for cars in the

front of the lot. Please leave the circle drive open for handicapped parking and those who truly need closer spots to the building.

- **<u>The Athletic Hallway and both Gyms are OFF LIMITS</u> to students attending the speech tournament. (School Map will be provided upon arrival to the building)**
- **The elevators are OFF LIMITS to all unless you reach out and express a medical or physical need for an elevator. They require keys to use, and we only have so many.**
- Your students may gather in the Commons. Please ask them NOT to hang out or gather in stairwells or hallways. We will also have the seats in the 'auditorium' roped off. We ask that you do not allow anyone past the caution tape until awards, at which time we will let students in.
- Concessions will be available for students, provided by our HOSA and DECA program. Please keep all food in the cafeteria or Athletic Hall. NOT IN CLASSROOMS!

All events will be open. The following events will be offered:

- Original Oratory
- Informative Speaking
- Dramatic Interpretation
- Humorous Interpretation
- Duo Interpretation
- Program Oral Interpretation
- Poetry
- Prose
- Radio Speaking
- Storytelling
- US Extemporaneous Speaking
- International Extemporaneous Speaking

Fees: All entries will be $10.00 ($20.00 for Duo). Drops made after January 2nd at 4:00 PM will result in a charge for the entry.

- POI will follow the current NSDA guidelines.
- All other speech events listed above will follow the current MSHSAA guidelines.

Each school is required to bring 1 adult judge per 8 Individual Event Entries. If necessary, we may ask coaches to judge. We will provide a sign-up so judges can choose which rounds work best for them. Please make sure you have each round covered.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Nick Metts or Emily Romano.

Tournament Directors:

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Please fill out our coach contact form if you plan to attend.

Saturday, January 9th Schedule:

7:45 AM - 8:30 AM - Doors Open/Teams Check-in

****Judges NOT with a team need to arrive on site BY 8:00 AM ****

8:15 AM Coaches/Judges Meeting in the learning commons (library)

9:00 AM - Extemp Draw

9:30 AM - Round One Speech

11:00 AM - Extemp Draw

11:30 AM - Round Two Speech

1:00 PM - Extemp Draw

1:30 PM - Round 3 Speech

3:00 PM- Final Extemp Draw

3:30 PM - Finals

5:00 PM - Awards

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Judging Rules

1. Each school is required to bring 1 adult judge per 8 Individual Event Entries.
2. Judges **must** remain in their room until all performances have been viewed unless otherwise specified.
3. Judges can be coaches, members of the community, any **VARSITY** student who has competed for the past 2 years, or former students.
4. Coaches will be entered in the judge pool. We will do our best not to use coaches at all costs.

Awards

- Top 6 competitors in each event will advance to finals.
- Sweepstakes awards will be presented to the Top 3 schools.
- Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 in each event.
- Medals will be awarded to 4th, 5th, and 6th place.

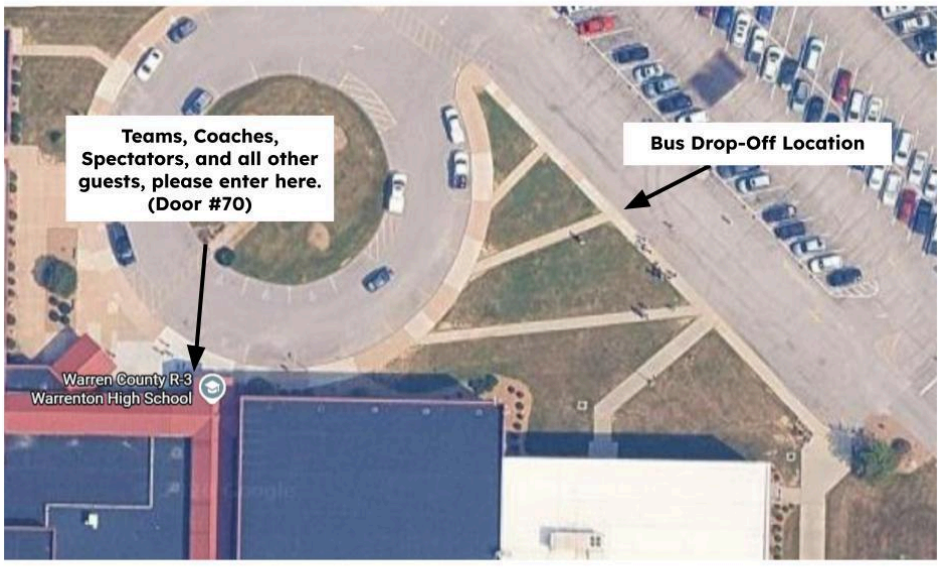
Sweepstakes

- 1 point for advancing to finals
- 5 points for 3rd
- 10 points for 2nd
- 15 points for 1st

****The following page will include photos to identify parking for buses, judges, volunteers, etc.****

Bus Parking/Regular Parking/Building Entrance





**Building maps will be provided the day of the tournament.