Weber State Speech Classic

October 24th and 25th, 2026

Weber State University

Ogden, Utah

We are pleased to welcome the speech and debate community to Ogden, Utah, for the Weber State Speech Classic! Please join us October 24–25, 2026, for a two-day tournament featuring individual events and IPDA debate. To register, please visit the tournament page on SpeechWire.

The tournament will begin with individual events on Saturday. Individual events will consist of two preliminary rounds followed by finals. Depending on tournament size, some events may advance directly to finals. Individual events will be offered in three divisions: Novice, Junior, and Open.

IPDA debate will take place on Sunday and will consist of six preliminary rounds. Rounds will be cumulative, meaning there will be no elimination or out rounds in IPDA. Debate will also be offered in Novice, Junior, and Open divisions.

Awards for both individual events and debate will take place Sunday evening.

We will provide a light breakfast and morning refreshments on both days of the tournament. Schools may also choose to have lunch provided by Weber State for an additional entry fee. If you prefer to arrange your own lunches, there are a variety of dining options conveniently located near campus.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out. We look forward to welcoming your team to Ogden and making the first-ever Weber State Speech Classic!

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Schedule (MST)

Saturday Oct. 24, 2026		
8:00 AM	Registration & Breakfast EH 229	
8:30 AM	Extemp Prep Round I Prep: JR-EXT, N-EXT, SR-EXT	
8:45 AM	Round I Pattern A N-ADS, N-EXT, N-PER, N-DI, N-POE, N-POI, JR-ADS, JR-EXT, JR-PER, JR-DI, JR-POE, JR-POI SR-ADS, SR-DI, SR-EXT, SR-PER, SR-POE, SR-POI	
10:15 AM	Round I Pattern B N-IMP, N-INF ,N-CA, N-PRO, JR-IMP, JR-INF, JR-CA, JR-PRO, SR-CA, SR-IMP, SR-INF, SR-PRO, DUO	
11:15 PM	LUNCH	
12:15 PM	Extemp Prep Round II Prep: JR-EXT, N-EXT, SR-EXT	
12:30 PM	Round II Pattern A N-ADS, N-EXT, N-PER, N-DI, N-POE, N-POI, JR-ADS, JR-EXT, JR-PER, JR-DI, JR-POE, JR-POI SR-ADS, SR-DI, SR-EXT, SR-PER, SR-POE, SR-POI	
2:00 PM	Round II Pattern B N-IMP, N-INF ,N-CA, N-PRO, JR-IMP, JR-INF, JR-CA, JR-PRO, SR-CA, SR-IMP, SR-INF, SR-PRO, DUO	
3:30 PM	Extemp Prep Finals Prep: JR-EXT, N-EXT, SR-EXT	
3:45 PM	Finals Pattern A N-ADS, N-EXT, N-PER, N-DI, N-POE, N-POI, JR-ADS, JR-EXT, JR-PER, JR-DI, JR-POE, JR-POI SR-ADS, SR-DI, SR-EXT, SR-PER, SR-POE, SR-POI	
5:15 PM	Finals Pattern B N-IMP, N-INF ,N-CA, N-PRO, JR-IMP, JR-INF, JR-CA, JR-PRO, SR-CA, SR-IMP, SR-INF, SR-PRO, DUO	

Sunday October 25, 2026		
8:00 AM	Round 1 | Flight A Draw Prep: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
8:30 AM	Round 1A | Flight B Draw Round 1A: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
9:00 AM	Round 1B Round 1B: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
9:45 AM	Round 2 | Flight A Draw Prep: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
10:15 AM	Round 2A | Flight B Draw Round 2A: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
10:45 AM	Round 2B Round 2B: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
11:30 AM	Round 3 | Flight A Draw Prep: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
12:00 PM	Round 3A | Flight B Draw Round 3A: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
12:30 PM	Round 3B Round 3B: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
Lunch	Lunch in EH 229	
1:30 PM	Round 4 | Flight A Draw Prep: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
2:00 PM	Round 4A | Flight B Draw Round 4A: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
2:30 PM	Round 4B Round 4B: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
3:15 PM	Round 5 | Flight A Draw	

	Prep: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
3:45 PM	Round 5A | Flight B Draw Round 5A: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
4:15 PM	Round 5B Round 5B: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
5:00 PM	IPDA Round 6 | Flight A Draw Prep: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
5:30 PM	IPDA Round 6A | Flight B Draw Round 6A: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
6:00 PM	IPDA Round 6B Round 6B: IPDA, JIPDA, NIPDA	
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Pattern A: Extemporaneous, After-Dinner, Persuasive, Dramatic, Poetry, Program Oral
Pattern B: Impromptu, Communication Analysis, Informative, Duo, Prose
Debate: Individual IPDA (Novice, Junior, Open)

Registration and Entry Fees

ENTRY DEADLINE: Monday October 19th by 5:00pm

School Fee: $50 per school, 80$ per school with lunch

I.E.entry: $10 per entry
Uncovered I.E. Entry: $20 per entry
(1 judge = 8 entries)

IPDA entry: $30 per debater
Uncovered IPDA entry: $65 per debater
(1 judge = 4 debaters)

Note the following judge coverage requirements:
1 judge covers six (8) total individual events entries, regardless of pattern
1 judge covers three (4) IPDA entries

Fees Payment Link:https://secure.touchnet.com/C20249_ustores/web/store_main.jsp?STOREID=137

Entry Deadline: Monday, October 19th 5 pm MST
Judge and Drop Deadline: Wednesday, October 21st, 8 pm MST.

Individual Events and Debate Description:

Individual Events

Pattern A: Extemporaneous, After-Dinner, Persuasive, Dramatic, Poetry, Program Oral
Pattern B: Impromptu, Communication Analysis, Informative, Duo, Prose

The tournament will follow the AFA-NST rules as they relate to individual events.
Link to the official event descriptions- AFA-NST - Event descriptions

Students may be triple entered in each pattern, anything more than that may result in a dropped event(s). Final rounds may be collapsed if there are fewer than eight competitors in an event. Depending on the size of the entries in an event, the junior division may be pulled up into the open division. Similarly , novice competitors may be pulled up into the junior division.

IPDA

This tournament will offer IPDA debate in three divisions: Novice, Junior, and Varsity. The tournament will follow the rules outlined in the IPDA Constitution and Bylaws, including guidelines governing divisions, preparation time, and judging.

The debate format will be 5-2-6-2-3-5-3, with 30 minutes of preparation time. Debaters will receive five resolutions and may strike two, leaving one resolution for debate. During the preparation period, debaters may prepare and receive advice without restriction. Once the round begins, students may use analog or digital timers and notes prepared during the preparation period; computers and other devices may not be used to access the internet during the debate.

All postings, topic strikes, and prep will take place in the Elizabeth Hall.

IPDA will be cumulative, with results from each round carrying forward throughout the competition. Debaters will be ranked based on their cumulative performance across all six preliminary rounds.

Judges should refrain from providing oral feedback after rounds and should instead provide detailed comments on their ballots.

Hotel Information

Hotel block at the Hilton Garden Inn $135 a night. Block cut off date is October 2nd. **BOOKING LINK: Hilton Garden Inn Ogden**

Tournament Provided Food

To help reduce costs for participants traveling to Ogden, the tournament will be providing breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

Parking and Map

Parking on campus is free in lot A2 on weekends. The tournament will be hosted in Elizabeth Hall which is right next to the parking lot. Link to the Weber State map Ogden Campus Map

Transportation to and from the airport

For teams flying into Salt Lake City, the light rail to Ogden is $15 dollars. With a 10-minute walk (tops) to the hotels in the area downtown. Renting a car is also very convenient at the SLC airport. Ogden is about a 40-minute drive from the SLC airport.