

2022 ASAA/First National Bank Alaska State High School Drama, Debate, & Forensics Championships

Coaches,

The UAA Seawolf Debate Program in conjunction with ASAA, First National Bank, and the Anchorage School District are proud to host this year's State Championship tournament. We are genuinely happy to serve you and your students during this event! We aim to run an efficient tournament that enables all of our State's competitors to get the best possible feedback from judges; engage one another in the forensics arts in a way that is fun, entertaining, and educational; and gives them the best opportunity to let their talents shine.

Registration

Registration for competition will take place entirely through this website (SpweechWire). (The entry deadline will be 11:59 pm on February 2nd.) Entry fees, academic award applications, and anything other than event registration will be handled separately. Sandi Wagner (sandi@asaa.org) should be sending out information in a separate e-mail providing the necessary details for those functions.

Before you begin the registration process, let me highlight a few items. As always, we will use the ASAA DDF rules. For information regarding the rules of a particular event, see the DDF Handbook, at the following URL:

<https://asaa.org/wp-content/uploads/handbook/ddf/complete/ASAA-2021-2022-DDF-Handbook.pdf>

We will offer the standard events hosted at the Alaska State DDF Championship tournament. Each squad is limited to 15 competitors. Event limits (per school) are as follows:

- 3 entries in HI, DI, Duo, Solo, Duet, DX, FX, OO, Inform
- 2 entries in RT, XComm
- 9 (total) entries split between Policy, LD, & PF

Location/Tournament Software

This year's tournament will take place at East Anchorage High School.

We will offer e-balloting and online postings, in addition to paper ballots and postings. You, your students, and your judges, will need to logins if they wish to use the digital options. Visit SpeechWire to create those accounts. <https://www.speechwire.com/p-video-resources.php>

Judges

If you have any contacts who might be willing to serve as judges, we would really appreciate if you could help with the judge recruiting effort. Please e-mail me the names and e-mail addresses of potential judges or have them contact me at shawn.debate@gmail.com.

Coaches

When registering your squads, please ensure that a coach will be present each day to fill your standby judging obligations (at least 1 judge per school per day) and chaperone duties. Please e-mail me the name of the coach that will be on site during each day of the competition so I may enter them as judges. (shawn.debate@gmail.com) Ideally, you will only be used as standby judges. That being said, I know several coaches enjoy judging and have a wealth of experience that can provide exceptional comments on the ballots. Thus, if you would like to judge -- not simply as a standby judge -- please indicate that you are happy to judge.

If you have any questions about the registration process, please don't hesitate to e-mail me at shawn.debate@gmail.com.

Your tournament staff is comprised of:
Steve Johnson (Host & Tournament Director)
Shawn Briscoe (Tab Director & Nationals Coordinator)
Sandi Wagner (ASAA Representative)

I can't wait to "see" you at the State tournament. Please tell your competitors that I wish them the best of luck and hope their 2021 State Championship tournament is a fun experience!

Welcome & Best of Luck!
Shawn F. Briscoe
Tab Director & Nationals Coordinator