

January 31, 2008

Dear Coach:

On behalf of the Southern Lehigh School District and the Southern Lehigh High School Speech and Debate team, I would like to invite you and your team to our twelfth annual "Spartan Invitational" on Saturday, April 26, 2008 at Southern Lehigh High School. We will offer competition in the following categories: Original Oratory, Extemporaneous Speaking, Declamation, Oral Interpretation, Dramatic Performance, Duo Interpretation, Cross-Ex Debate, Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Public Forum Debate, and Student Congress. There will be only one division of each category, not split Varsity/Novice. NCFL rules will be applied to all events. We will use the NCFL Grand National Tournament resolution for Lincoln-Douglas Debate, and for Public Forum Debate. Both of these topics should be released in plenty of time before the tournament. If you are not affiliated with the NCFL, or do not receive word of these resolutions, please feel free to contact me.

Finals will be held in all events. We may hold semifinal rounds if numbers warrant. All competitors advancing beyond preliminary rounds will be recognized at our awards ceremony. Team Sweepstakes awards will be given for debate, speech and overall performance. We will also present our "Spartan Award" which recognizes excellence over the twelve years of our tournament. Last year, Ridge H. S. was our seventh recipient.

The following pages contain other pertinent information such as registration forms, fee information, important dates as well as a tentative competition schedule. If you are coming from a considerable distance, and wish to stay overnight for any part of the weekend, please feel free to contact me for local hotel establishments, and their contact numbers. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at Southern Lehigh High School or at home at the phone numbers listed below. I hope to see you on April 26!

Sincerely,

David R. Long
Southern Lehigh Forensic Coach

Phone Numbers:

Home: (610) 419-9677

Cell: (484) 767-8368

School: (610) 282-1421 x7207

General Tournament Information for
The Spartan Invitational at Southern Lehigh H.S. April 26, 2008

- Fees:** \$6.00/ individual entry IE or L-D
\$12.00/ Cross-Ex, Public Forum or Duo team
\$5.00/ change made after 4:00 PM Wednesday 4/23/08. This will be added to your registration fee, determined by your entries and judge needs at 4:00 PM 4/23/08.
- *** Teams that withdraw their complete entry after 4:00 PM Wednesday 4/23/08 will be asked to pay a Withdraw Nuisance Fee equal to 50% of their registration fee as of that time.

Checks should be made out to **Southern Lehigh High School** and indicate Speech and Debate in the Memo.

Registration forms must reach Southern Lehigh High School by Monday 4/21/08.

Please mail, fax or email all three registration pages to
David R. Long Fax: (610) 282-2653
Southern Lehigh H.S.
5800 Main Street Email: longdr@hotmail.com
Center Valley, PA 18034

Double entries are allowed in speech events. There are no double entries in any debate event, including Public Forum and Congress.

There are no restrictions to the number of entries in an event. Please feel free to add lines to events where you have more than four entries.

Judges: 1 judge for every 2 Lincoln-Douglas Debaters or fraction thereof
1 judge for every 2 Cross-Ex Teams or fraction thereof
1 judge for every 5 speech or Congress entries or fraction thereof
A Duo counts as one speech entry

*** 1 judge for every 2 Public Forum teams or fraction thereof
Please select the Public Forum judges from your pool of speech judges. Please indicate on the judge list which judges would be able to judge Public Forum. Also, please inform those judges that you indicate, that they may be asked to judge Public Forum debate, as well as speech events.

There will be a limited number of speech, L-D, or Public Forum judges for hire at \$40.00 each. Please write "Hired" in the appropriate space on the registration form. There are no C-X judges for hire. There will be no hiring of judges on the day of the tournament.

Lincoln-Douglas Debate: We will use the NCFL Grand National Tournament resolution, which should be released by 4/15/08.

Public Forum Debate: We will use the NCFL Grand National Tournament resolution, which should be released by 4/15/08.

Student Congress: Please send one bill for every 3 Congress entries or fraction thereof no later than 4/11/08. You may mail, fax or email as above. A pack of bills will be sent out 4/14/08.

Tentative Tournament Schedule

8:00-8:30	Registration – Lobby
9:00-9:15	Opening Assembly – Auditorium
9:15	Round I for all events
10:45	Round II for IE
11:00	Round II for Debate Events
11:15	Session II for Congress
12:15	Round III for IE
12:30	Lunch for Debate events
1:15	Round III for Debate events
1:30	Lunch for IE events and Congress
2:30	Semifinals as needed in IE, Finals in select events, Congress Super session
3:30	Finals for Debate events/Semis for L-D or PF if needed
4:45	Finals for remaining IE, L-D and PF if needed
6:45	Awards Assembly

Lunch: Teams may order pizzas from a local pizzeria through our team before the opening assembly. Our food service will have the cafeteria open and sell snacks and beverages. A judges' lounge will be available for judges and coaches throughout the day.

Directions to Southern Lehigh H.S.:

From Rt. 22: Take the exit for Rt. 378 South and follow it through Bethlehem. Once you go over the hill in Bethlehem, the school will be about 2 miles down on your right. Turn right at the light at the Copperhead Grill Restaurant, onto Preston Lane. Make a left into the first driveway. Buses may park in the designated spots in that area. Other vehicles may park on the left side of the building in the spaces provided.

From I-78: Take the exit for Rt. 309 South. Go to the second light and make a left. At the immediate T, make a left, and then the next right onto Preston Lane. The school will be on your right. Go to the second driveway, which will put you in front of the school. Park as described above.

From the Turnpike: If coming from the South, get off at the Quakertown exit. Make a left at the light, just past the tollbooths, and follow that road to Rt. 309. Make a left onto Rt. 309 North. Follow this until it gets to an intersection with Rt. 378 North. Bear right onto Rt. 378 North. Make a left at the first intersection onto Preston Lane. You will see the school on your left. Make a left into the first driveway. Park as described above.

If coming from the North, get off at the Allentown exit. Bear right onto Rt. 22 East. Take the first exit, which is Rt. 309 South. You will be put on Rt. 78 East and Rt. 309 South, which are together for a section. Follow the directions above for Rt. 78.

2008 Spartan Invitational Registration Form

School Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Coach: _____ Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ Fax Number: _____

Cross-Ex Debate

1. _____ / _____ 2. _____ / _____

3. _____ / _____ 4. _____ / _____

Public Forum Debate

1. _____ / _____ 2. _____ / _____

3. _____ / _____ 4. _____ / _____

Lincoln-Douglas Debate

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Student Congress

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Original Oratory

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Extemporaneous Speaking

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Declamation

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____

Oral Interpretation

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____

Dramatic Performance

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____

Duo Interpretation

- 1. _____ / _____ 2. _____ / _____
- 3. _____ / _____ 4. _____ / _____

Speech Judges 1:5
 Please include and indicate judges for
 Public Forum Debate 1:2

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

L-D Judges 1:2

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

Cross Ex 1:2

- 1. _____
- 2. _____

Please write "Hired" in the appropriate judge event space if you need to hire a judge.

Fees: Total Number of Debate Teams _____ x \$12.00 = _____
(Cross-Ex & Public Forum)
Total Number of L-D entries _____ x \$6.00 = _____

Total Number of Duo Teams _____ x \$12.00 = _____

Total Number of IE entries _____ x \$6.00 = _____

Total Number of Hired Judges _____ x \$40.00 = _____

Total Due = _____

Please make out checks to Southern Lehigh H.S. and write Speech and Debate in the Memo.