

Missouri Mule & Carnegie Swing Tournament Regulations: **Oct 18-20, 2019**

General Policy Statements

Statement of Support for the Ethical Treatment of Others:

The Talking Mules Speech & Debate Team is committed to assuring equal opportunity to all persons, regardless of race, color, religious creed, national origin, physical ability status, age, economic status, gender, sex or sexual orientation. As such, our tournament is opposed to all forms of discrimination and seeks to establish a tolerant atmosphere in which every individual is accorded respect. While we respect the importance of First Amendment freedoms, we respectfully remind tournament participants that with rights come responsibilities. Please refrain from disrespectful or derogatory speech. Our tournament practices a policy of zero tolerance for violations of Title IX. If you wish to register a complaint, please begin with the Tournament Director, Dr. Jack Rogers, rogers@ucmo.edu, (660) 543-8646 (office) or (660)238-0674 (cell) or if he cannot be reached, Dr. Nikki Freeman at cell (660) 473-3316 or nfreeman@ucmo.edu. All complaints will maintain the confidentiality of all persons involved to the maximum extent possible. However, please remember that the Tournament Director and your coach are identified as mandatory reporters by Federal law. Our University's Title IX compliance office may become involved. Dr. Corey Bowman is the University's compliance officer and may be contacted at bowman@ucmo.edu, (660) 543-4114. The Title IX tournament coordinator and UCM's compliance officer will ensure that appropriate Title IX officers at your home institutions are contacted.

*Adapted from Pi Kappa Delta's website.

Judge Strikes:

We ask that if your students have any conflicts with judges for non-competitive reasons that you let us know so we can block that judge from judging the student. Examples of when this could happen might include: the student is a family member/close friend of the judge, a student was harassed/assaulted by a judge, a student was a teammate of the judge, a student was coached by the judge. We respect the privacy of these decisions. We hope that if a judge has participated in improper behavior that the tournament director will be notified so that, if necessary, the judge can be removed from the judging pool before interacting with students. Students can inform us through their coach or inform the tournament directors directly at rogers@ucmo.edu and nfreeman@ucmo.edu. The tournament directors will not ask for details and do not expect any; we trust in the decision of the student. We will provide a full list of judges to all coaches the week of the tournament.

The tournament will also be supporting the NFA's working "Open Door" Policy:

UCM Speech & Debate is committed to providing safe performance spaces for all competitors. We acknowledge the art of performance may be a healing process and/or opportunity to speak on important issues. As a performer, it is impossible to know all the ways in which content or a performance may unintentionally harm our peers. To better serve our competitors, we will be honoring the NFA's open door practice during rounds this weekend. Meaning, competitors may choose when they feel comfortable being present in the room, which includes choosing only to be present in the room when performing. Competitors may also discretely leave the room, even when not double-entered without question or penalty.

Updated ICE Activity in the Area:

The University of Central Missouri is committed to inclusiveness and welcomes students and coaches from all identities and social roles. In light of ongoing harassment and discrimination, and the current administration's actions regarding DACA, our program stands in solidarity with, and will continue to offer a safe, educational space for, our most vulnerable members. While we are not a sanctuary city, the city of Warrensburg strives to create a safe and inclusive community. We will send an update on any ICE activity as we get closer to October. We have found <https://www.mira-mo.org/> to be a useful resource.

COMPETITION

Debate:

Open and Novice divisions in NPDA (mix of fact, value, and policy resolutions), Open Public Forum (Fall 2019 topic), and Novice, Junior, and Open LD (2019-20 NFA-LD topic). If the Novice Division has fewer than seven teams entered it will be collapsed with the Open Division; however, novice speaker awards and top team awards will be awarded. All divisions and formats of debate will be conducted as much as practical in accordance with the appropriate governing organizations' rules and procedures.

Divisions:

- **Novice** in all formats of debate is intended for those with less than two semesters of previous collegiate debate experience in any format. If one of the team members does not fit the definition of novice, then the team must compete up (junior or open). If you have questions about a debater's or team's eligibility, please contact the tournament director.
- **Junior** is intended for debaters with less than four semesters of college debate experience. Previous high school experience is acceptable, but those with extensive high school policy experience should be 'bumped up' to Open.
- **Open** is open to any debater regardless of experience.

NPDA will have a central announcement of the topic with 20 minutes prep and walk time. **A 10 minute forfeit rule will be strictly enforced in all formats of debate.** NPDA and Public Forum will offer 5 prelim rounds, with appropriate outrounds. LD will have 4 prelim rounds with appropriate outrounds. We will follow the practice of posting win-loss records in a centrally located place as soon as the tabroom can comply after each prelim round. **We will also strongly encourage all debate judges to submit a judging philosophy which will be made available to all participants prior to the first round.**

No oral critiques until AFTER the ballots have been turned in – it tends to cause the tournament to run late.

Individual Events:

I.E.'s will be conducted in accordance with the AFA-NIET guidelines. **The conflict patterns are: Pattern A: Extemp, Persuasive, Prose, POI, ADS; Pattern B: Impromptu, Inform, Poetry, DI, DUO, CA.** A student may enter up to three events in both conflict patterns. It is the student's responsibility to make their rounds on time. No student will be allowed to enter more than three events per conflict pattern or two Duos.

No exceptions. It tends to make the tournament run late. Any student who enters a minimum of five events in **two genres** - unprepared platform event (EXT or IMP), prepared platform event (ADS, PER, INF, CA) and/or interpretive event (DUO, POE, POI, DI, PRO) will be eligible for Pentathlon. Any event that has 50 or more entries will be advanced to a semi-final's round.

This year we will add a top novice award for each individual event in both tournaments. To be eligible for a Top Novice Award, the student must be in their first year of collegiate competition and have NO high school experience in forensics of any kind.

We will follow the current NFA practice of allowing internet access during extemp prep; however we can neither guarantee equal access to all or constant, quality connectivity.

Cross-Overs:

PLEASE READ THIS SECTION CAREFULLY – NPDA and Public Forum debaters may enter all IE's. LD debaters may not enter IE's. Students may enter both team and LD formats of debate.

Judges:

This is Warrensburg; and as such, there is not a large pool of available judges. **Please bring judges to cover your entry.** In the event that you cannot bring enough judges to cover your entry, a few judges are available for hire. One judge covers 2 NPDA teams. One judge covers 2 LD entries. One judge covers eight entries in I.E.'s. A judge cannot cover both LD and IE entries. All debate judges are obligated to Outround #1 regardless of whether your team broke to elimination rounds. **All IE judges are obligated to the Finals of both A & B.** Fees: Uncovered IE entries are \$10.00 each. Uncovered NPDA and Public Forum teams or LD entries are \$100.00 each.

Judging constraints:

Please we'd rather have your judges than your money! Programs must cover a minimum of 50% of their entry. Some exceptions may be granted by the tournament director if judges are available. Hired judges are available on a first come, first serve basis. We reserve the right to limit entries based upon your ability to bring judges to adequately cover them. We also reserve the right to stack IE competitors into panels so that we may use your judge, but will only do so as a last resort.

Sweepstakes Formula:

While there is no limit to the number of entries a school may enter, only the school's top 4 entries per division of debate format and IE event will count towards Sweepstakes awards. The tabroom will automatically advance your top competitors. Points for debate prelim wins will be: NPDA and Public Forum win or bye = 5 points; LD = 2.5 points. Debate speakers will be awarded 6 points for 1st Speaker; 5 points for 2nd Speaker; 4 points for 3rd Speaker; 3 points for 4th Speaker; 2 points for 5th Speaker and 1 point for 6th Speaker. I.E.'s will earn 3 points for a ranking of 1 in prelim rounds; 2 points for a ranking of 2; and 1 point for a ranking of 3. Competitors in the finals will be awarded 6 points for 1st Place; 5 points for 2nd place; 4 points for 3rd Place; 3 points for 4th Place; 2 points for 5th Place and 1 point for 6th Place. Points will be awarded for the top 5 finishers in pentathlon using the same formula as the finals of IE's.

Awards:

Appropriate awards to include: Each tournament will award - 1st -3rd Overall Sweeps (limited to those schools that enter both IE's and Debate); 1st-3rd IE Sweeps; 1st-3rd Debate Sweeps; Top 2 year program; all

debate teams and/or individuals (LD) who reach the elimination rounds, 1st-6th Debate speakers, all finalists in the Individual Events; 1st-5th Place in Pentathlon. In addition, an overall Tournament Sweepstakes for the combined swing, 1st-3rd Place for those who compete in **both** halves of the swing. Finally, the top scoring team entered in the Missouri Mule who is a member of Pi Kappa Delta will be awarded the E. Sam Cox Trophy.

Tournament Schedule:

Yes, it's a challenging schedule. PLEASE remember the health and sanity of your judges and competitors as you enter. We want to make everything available, but we ask that you prioritize health and wellbeing.

2019 Missouri Mule Tournament Schedule

Friday, October 18

9:00	Registration, Student Union Atrium
10:00	Round 1 Topic Announcement
10:20	Round 1, NPDA & Public Forum
11:30	Round 2, Topic Announcement
11:45	Round 2, NPDA & Public Forum
12:30-1:15	Lunch – Food Court (on your own), University Union
1:15	Round 3, Topic Announcement
1:35	Round 3, NPDA & Public Forum
2:45	Round 4, Topic Announcement
3:00	Round 4, NPDA & Public Forum
4:00	Round 5, NPDA Topic Announcement
4:20	Round 5, NPDA & Public Forum
5:15	Dinner – On your own
	Public Forum outrounds will start 20 minutes after NPDA topic announcement
6:00	Elimination Round 1 (NPDA & Public Forum)
7:15	Elimination Round 2 (NPDA & Public Forum)
8:30	Elimination Round 3 (NPDA & Public Forum)

Saturday, October 19th

7:00	IE / LD Registration, Student Union Atrium	
7:30	Extemp Draw - Wood 100	
8:00-9:15	RD 1, Pattern A <i>(Extemp, Persuasive, Prose, POI, ADS)</i>	8:00 a.m. LD RD 1
9:30	Extemp Draw	9:30 a.m. LD RD 2
10:00-11:15	RD 2, Pattern A	
11:30-12:45	RD 1, Pattern B <i>(Impromptu, Informative, Poetry, DI, CA, Duo)</i>	11:00 a.m. LD RD 3
12:45-1:30	Lunch – Food Court (on your own), University Union	
1:45-3:00	RD 2, Pattern B	1:00 p.m. LD RD 4
3:00	Extemp Draw	
3:30-5:00	FINALS A	3:15 p.m. LD Octos
5:00-6:30	FINALS B	5:00 p.m. LD Quarters
6:30-7:15	Dinner, On your own	6:30 LD Semis
7:30 ish	Awards Assembly	TBA (post awards) LD Finals

2019 Dale Carnegie Swing Tournament Schedule

Sunday, October 20th

7:00	Registration for Sunday only programs	
7:30	Extemp Draw	
8:00-9:15	RD 1, Pattern A <i>(Extemp, persuasive, prose, POI, ADS)</i>	8:00 a.m. LD RD 1
9:30	Extemp Draw	9:30 LD RD 2
10:00-11:15	RD 2, Pattern A	11:00 LD RD 3
11:30-12:45	RD 1, Pattern B <i>(Impromptu, informative, poetry, DI, CA, Duo)</i>	12:30 LD RD 4
1:00-1:45	Lunch – On your own	
1:45-3:00	RD 2, Pattern B	2:00 LD Elimination 1
3:00	Extemp Draw	3:30 LD Elimination 2
3:30-5:00	FINALS A	5:00 LD Elimination 3
5:00-6:30	FINALS B	TBD (post awards) LD Elim 4
7:00	Awards Assembly	

Entry:

ALL entries must be received no later than **5:00 p.m. (CST), Monday, October 14th**. Fees will be assessed upon your entry as it stands at **5:00 p.m. (CST), Tuesday, October 15th**. All changes after that deadline will be assessed a nuisance fee **plus** original fees. To enter the tournament. Log In and enter your tournament information on **Forensicstournament.net** Please double check your entry if you have not received an email confirming your entry by Wednesday the 16th at 5:00 p.m.

In order to compete in BOTH halves of the Swing, you must enter both tournaments on the website. Entry in the Mule does NOT automatically enter you in the Dale Carnegie Swing on Sunday. Please double check your entry carefully. Full Fees are collected for entry into each tournament.

Fee Calculation Worksheet:

Entries:

_____	NPDA Teams @ \$60.00 each	_____
_____	Public Forum Teams @ \$60.00 each	_____
_____	LD / IPDA @ \$35.00 each	_____
_____	IE slots @ \$10.00 each	_____
_____	Duos @ \$12.00 each	_____

Judging Fees:

_____	All uncovered LD/Team Debate entries @ \$100.00 each	_____
_____	Uncovered IE slots @ \$10.00 each	_____

Nuisance Fees:

_____	IE Changes Adds or Drops after deadline @ \$10.00 each	_____
_____	Dropped LD or NPDA entry @ \$25.00 each	_____
_____	Dropped Judges @ Registration @ \$200	_____

Total Entry Fees for the Missouri Mule _____

Total Entry Fees for the Dale Carnegie Swing _____

Total Tournament Fees _____

**Please make checks payable to:
UCMO Forensics, EIN 46-3836498.**

If you need a W-9 from the University, please request it in advance and I can email you a copy.