



Welcome to the 2020 ND Parli Warm-Up!

Open Finals Topic: 4:32

The USFG should grant legal personhood to state and national parks.

Update from Tab:

12:35 PM

There was a lot of confusion regarding the correct sides during the first elim round. The order of teams listed your ballot does not necessarily indicate the correct side in elimination rounds. For more information/clarification, please ask us in the Zoom. We apologize for the confusion.

12:06 PM

Taken from the elimination round procedures in the [tournament manual](#):

“There will be multiple judges in elim rounds. Please do not confer with the other judges prior to submitting a decision. Once all judges have submitted their ballots, they will see the final result on Tabroom and can then disclose to the competitors. We ask all judges to disclose their decisions in elims.”
We apologize for the confusion.

Update from Tab:

10:41 AM

Thanks for your patience. We had some trouble organizing octos/quarters flips, but we will have a more efficient system next round.

9:15 AM

Please submit ballots as soon as possible. We would like to start the first elimination round on time. Flips for sides will happen in the prep Zoom room, where registration was held.

7:57 AM:

Reminder that all judges are obligated to stay to judge varsity octofinals/novice quarterfinals (the first elim round), regardless of whether or not your school advances. Please check in with your head coach if you have any questions regarding your specific judging obligation.

Previous Announcements from Tournament Staff:

Rule clarification: Citation requests must only occur IN ROUND. The CHSSA rules allow for debaters to ask for cited evidence should their opponent choose to use it. The CHSSA rules do NOT allow debaters to ask judges to do research on their own after the round in order to make a decision -- this is considered judge intervention.

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Debaters: There is no flex time at this tournament; we are using the CHSSA Parliamentary Debate rules. You can review the rules [here](#).

Judges: please submit your ballots as soon as you have reached your decision. Starting from Round 3, rounds will be [powermatched](#), and we cannot release Round 3 pairings until all ballots have been submitted. **You are allowed to edit your feedback after you submit.** If everyone submits their ballots on time, we can start Round 3 earlier.

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If judges do not have an assignment, they *must* return to the Zoom call on standby in case other judges are not present to their rounds. We need to be able to make judge swaps as quickly as possible to ensure the tournament runs on time. We appreciate your patience.

Prep will not be done in the registration room; only TOPIC ANNOUNCE occurs there (as well as on this doc). Teams should use the "Team Squad" room option on NSDA Campus to prep or create their own call

Round Zero - Every team will be given a round zero, a mandatory round to give students and judges an opportunity to do a full round before the actual competition begins. All teams and judges should plan to debate or judge for round zero. The round will conduct prep and be adjudicated as a normal round, but **will not count towards the results for breaks to elims.** The NSDA National tournament included a round zero, and many teams and judges thought it was beneficial, and we hope you will find this to be helpful as well.