Friends:

The Elgin Community College Forensics Team and the department of Communication Studies are excited to invite you to the "Shadwell-Dittus Speech and Debate Tournament" to be held on Friday December 6 and 7, 2024! This will be a fully in-person tournament on ECC's main campus. For those that aren't aware, Gail Shadwell was a Speech faculty member at Elgin Community College for over fifty years, and was instrumental in creating many student centered activities, including ECC's Speech Team. Jim Dittus is an emeritus professor from ECC, a fixture in Illinois forensics and is still an advocate for the activity and its students.

We will be operating under a "traditional" 2-day/3-round IE format (novice only for IE) and open IPDA debate infused on both days.

UPDATES FOR 2024 TOURNAMENT:

After experimenting with the schedule last year, we have made some changes that will alleviate some of the hecticness experienced by some competitors.

Due to the fact that catering is requesting an earlier deadline than normal, and also in an effort to reduce food waste, we will not be offering a Saturday catered lunch option this year. A list of food options near ECC's main campus will be provided.

For debate: competitors in debate must be undergraduate students at the entering college or university who have met the necessary requirements for competition as imposed by that institution. NOTE: This includes students in their third or fourth year of competition which is true only for debate.

For IE: the tournament will be a novice tournament. "Novice" will be defined as any 4-year student within their first 4 semesters of competition, and **any** community college student (to align with Phi Rho Pi policies).

Our IE tournament will have three rounds of preliminary competition, and finals in all events (providing that size of the event allows for such). Please also note the special approaches that we will be utilizing for prelim rounds of CA and Extemp. Enclosed in this packet you will find information regarding logistics (registration, parking, etc.) and tournament fees for all events.

ECC students may be entered into events, and may place in final rounds, but will not be eligible for individual or team sweepstakes.

Should any question arise, feel free to contact me.

We hope to see you on December 6 and 7, 2024!

Sincerely,

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INDIVIDUAL EVENTS TOURNAMENT INFO

Flight A	Flight B	Flight C
Prose	Persuasion	POI
Poetry	STE	DI
Extemp	Duo	Info
Impromptu	CA	
	IPDA	IPDA

Each school is limited to six entries for each individual event. **Students may enter up to 2 events per grouping.**

NOTE: IPDA will be aligned with B and C flights. Students can DE in all flights, but IPDA counts as one entry in B and C. For example, a student could have the following entry in B (IPDA and Persuasion) and in C (IPDA and Info).

Please let students know that any IPDA double entries in the B and C flights will have to follow a specific schedule, or the result could be reduced IPDA prep time.

With the exception of Communication Analysis and Extemp (please review the event description below) all events will follow Phi Rho Pi rules, accessible at www.phirhopi.org

SPECIAL EVENT RULES FOR COMMUNICATION ANALYSIS AND EXTEMP

The events of Communication Analysis and Extemp will have an educational twist for this tournament. At the end of each speech, a brief amount of time will be allotted (an additional 2-3 minutes) for the judge to ask the speaker a critical question (or questions, should time allow) about the analysis performed. It should be noted that the purpose of this approach is not for the judge to ask the speaker to repeat/rephrase information, nor is it to "trick" a speaker into contradicting their analysis. Further, the purpose is to extend the educational aspect of the event, and also to promote the deeper level of critical thinking that is unique for these events. To the best of our ability, the tournament staff will format the number of students in each preliminary section to accommodate for this approach. Please note that should a final round of either event be needed, they will follow standard final round protocol and no extra time will be given for questions from the judging panel.

IPDA (International Public Debate Association)

- a. Topics will be announced in-round with 5 topics (2 value, 2 policy, 1 metaphor) provided for strikes. Negative strikes first, and then turns are taken until one topic remains.
- b. Debaters will not be allowed to consult any other person during prep time. Per IPDA rules, they will be allowed paper and/or electronic research material, which may be quoted or paraphrased from notes during the round, but not read directly, as extemporaneous delivery is required.
- c. Time limits to accommodate for an expediently run tournament, we will be running IPDA prep in 25 minute increments, as opposed to 30. Please make your students aware of this change.

Affirmative Constructive 5 minutes

Cross Examination 2 minutes

Negative Constructive 6 minutes

Cross Examination 2 minutes

First Affirmative Rebuttal 3 minutes

First Negative Rebuttal 5 minutes

Second Affirmative Rebuttal 3 minutes

AWARDS

Trophies will be awarded to the top six entrants in each individual event. Further, the top five speakers in Individual Sweeps will be recognized. In order to qualify for Individual Sweepstakes, a student must be entered in a minimum of four events (one must be an Interp event, and one must be a PA/LP - debate will NOT count in sweepstakes). Team Sweepstakes awards will also be given to the five schools accumulating the most sweepstakes points.

QUALITY TEAM SWEEPSTAKES

The Shadwell-Dittus Tournament will also award Quality Sweepstakes for the top five schools. Quality sweepstakes will be determined by calculating the total number of team sweeps points divided by number of slots entered in the tournament.

TOURNAMENT FEES AND ENTRY DEADLINES

The entry fee is \$10.00 for each IE slot; and an additional \$10.00 per uncovered slot. Schools are required to provide one judge for every six slots.

The entry fee is \$10.00 for each debate team; and an additional \$40.00 per uncovered team. Schools are required to provide one judge for every two teams.

We want your judges, not your money!

The more judges we can use, the more efficiently we can run the tournament. If you know of anyone that would be willing/able to serve as a hired judge, please let Tim Anderson (tanderson@elgin.edu) know as soon as possible (along with contact info for the person...preferably email).

Entry Deadline for all events is 7 PM, Wednesday Dec 4
ForensicsTournament.net. The following schedule will be used for changes/drops:

Drops after 12PM Thursday Dec 5: \$10/per slot or debate team

Drops "from the van" Friday Dec 6 BEFORE registration: \$15/per slot or debate team

Drops at registration: \$25/per slot - we really don't want to charge you this much so as soon as you know of a drop, please let us know so that we can make any necessary adjustments

Judge drop: \$60

TENTATIVE TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

(Schedule may be adjusted based on entries)

Friday Dec 6

- 10:30-11:30 Registration
- 12 PM Ext Prep
- 12:15 PM Rd 1 A (Prose, Poetry, Ext, Imp)
- 1.15 PM Ext Prep
- 1.30 PM Rd 2 A
- 2.30 PM Ext Prep
- 2.45 PM Rd 3 A
- 4:00 PM Rd 1 B (Pers, STE, Duo, CA, IPDA)
- 4:30 IPDA Draw
- 5:00 PM Rd 2 B IPDA Rd 1
- 6:00 PM Rd 3 B
- 6:15 PM IPDA Draw
- 6:45 PM IPDA 2

Saturday Dec 7

- 7:45 AM IPDA Draw
- 8:15 AM Rd 1 C (POI, DI, Info, IPDA) IPDA Rd 3
- 9:30 AM Rd 2 C
- 10:00 IPDA Draw
- 10:30 AM Rd 3 C IPDA 4
- 11 AM Lunch
- 11:45 AM IPDA Bronze Draw
- 12:00 PM Finals B
- 12:15 IPDA Bronze
- 1:15 Extemp Draw
- 1:30 A and C Finals
- 2:15 IPDA Gold Draw
- 2:45 IPDA Gold

FOOD OPTIONS NEAR CAMPUS

NOTE: These options will often deliver to campus, as will food ordering services (GrubHub, DoorDash, etc.)

- 1. Jimmy John's
 - Address: 400 S Randall Rd, Elgin, IL 60123
 - o Phone: (847) 931-8600
- 2. Jersey Mike's Subs
 - o Address: 469 Redington Drive, South Elgin, IL 60177
 - o Phone: (847) 695-6100
- 3. Potbelly Sandwich Shop
 - Address: 392 Randall Rd, South Elgin, IL 60177
 - o Phone: (847) 429-9299
- 4. McAlister's Deli
 - o Address: 1120 S Randall Road, Elgin, IL 60124
 - Phone: (630) 883-8928
- 5. Chipotle Mexican Grill
 - Address: 348 Randall Rd, South Elgin, IL 60177
 - Phone: (847) 931-4172
- 6. McDonald's
 - Address: 1165 N McLean Blvd, Elgin, IL 60123
 - Phone: (847) 741-9090

7. Wendy's

- o Address: 465 S McLean Blvd, Elgin, IL 60123
- o Phone: (847) 741-5121

8. Portillo's Elgin

Address: 1020 S Randall Rd, Elgin, IL 60123

Phone: (847) 695-8884

9. Steak 'n Shake

Address: 290 S Randall Rd, Elgin, IL 60123

Phone: (847) 741-0679

10. Subway

Address: 300 A McLean Blvd, Elgin, IL 60123

Phone: (847) 717-0513

LODGING

- 1. Country Inn & Suites by Radisson, Elgin, IL
 - o Address: 2270 Point Blvd, Elgin, IL 60123
 - o Phone: (224) 276-7285
 - o Nightly Rate: Approximately \$110
- 2. Holiday Inn & Suites Chicago Northwest Elgin, an IHG Hotel
 - o Address: 495 Airport Road, Elgin, IL 60123
 - o Phone: (847) 488-9000
 - Nightly Rate: Approximately \$127
- 3. Super 8 by Wyndham Elgin
 - o Address: 435 Airport Rd, Elgin, IL 60123
 - o Phone: (847) 857-7904
 - Nightly Rate: Approximately \$68
- 4. Candlewood Suites Elgin NW-Chicago, an IHG Hotel
 - o Address: 1780 Capital Street, Elgin, IL 60124
 - o **Phone**: (847) 888-0600
 - o Nightly Rate: Approximately \$104
- 5. Hampton Inn Elgin
 - o Address: 405 Airport Road, Elgin, IL 60123
 - o **Phone**: (847) 931-1940
 - o Nightly Rate: Approximately \$154
- 6. Sonesta Select Chicago Elgin West Dundee
 - o Address: 2175 Marriott Drive, West Dundee, IL 60118
 - o Phone: (847) 429-0300
 - Nightly Rate: Approximately \$104