



The Mystic: PKD Province of the Greater Northeast Annual Tournament

The West Chester University Speech and Debate team is proud to invite you to The Mystic: PKD Province of the Greater Northeast Annual Tournament! We are located just outside of Philadelphia in West Chester, Pennsylvania and are thrilled to invite you to our campus. This magical experience will take place on **October 28th, 2023** and will be held in conjunction with SNAFU #2 on **October 29th, 2023**. Registration will be offered through Speechwire. We will offer all NFA/AFA events, plus IPDA Debate and Editorial Impromptu. Additionally, as this will serve as the Province Tournament for the Greater Northeast, there will also be trophies for the top PKD schools as well as the top PKD competitor in each event.

We will be offering a coffee service in the morning, and provide lunch for both days of the tournament. Please let me know of any dietary restrictions via email- nprephan@wcupa.edu and we will accommodate as best we can.

We hope to see you all in October!

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Schedule

8:00am	Registration (Main Hall)
8:30am	Extemp Draw/IPDA Draw 1
9:00am	1A (Extemp/Duo/PER/INFO/PRO/EIMP) and Debate 1
10:00am	IPDA Draw 2
10:15am	1B (Impromptu/DI/ADS/RC/POE/POI) and Debate 2
12:00pm	Extemp Draw/IPDA Draw 3
12:30pm	IIA and Debate 3
1:30pm	IPDA Draw 4
1:45pm	IIB and Debate 4
3:15pm	Finals A (IPDA Semis at 3:45)
4:30pm	IPDA Draw
4:45pm	Finals B (IPDA Finals at 5:00pm)
6:30pm	AWARDS

Accessibility

If you or anyone on your team needs accommodations, please let me know and I will make the necessary arrangements

Entry Information

1. Students may enter a maximum of 3 events per bracket, and debaters may enter one individual event per flight and MAY NOT enter extemp.
2. We will be giving awards to the top competitors in Trithon. To be eligible, students must be in four events across all three genres. IPDA will count as a limited prep.
3. The deadline for entry is the Monday before the tournament at 3pm EST. The tournament will be run through Speechwire.com, so please submit your entries there.
4. Entry fees are \$8 per covered slot for both IE and Debate. Uncovered IE entries will be charged an extra \$15, and uncovered debate will be charged an extra \$40.
5. There will also be a per-competitor charge of \$5 to cover food
6. Judges will cover eight IE slots OR two IPDA slots
7. Drop fees are the original fee PLUS \$10
8. Dropped judges after the entry deadline will incur a \$100 fee
9. Fees can be paid at the tournament in cash or a check made out to "WCU Foundation-Keefe Memorial Forensics Operating Fund". You can also pay ahead of time with Venmo- the account is "wcu-ssi". If paying via Venmo, include 633 as well as "The Mystic" in the notes.
10. My vision is to grow forensics in the region and nationally. If your team requires financial assistance to participate, please let me know.

Awards

We will be offering a variety of trophies at The Mystic. In addition to recognizing the finalists in each event, we will also be awarding the top PKD competitor and top novice. There will also be a separate PKD sweepstakes for member schools.

Events

All 11 AFA events will be offered. We will also offer the PKD event Editorial Impromptu which will follow PKD guidelines-

Students will be given a short editorial and develop a response. Participants will be allocated 9 minutes to divide between preparation and speech time. Speakers MUST speak for at least five (5) minutes. Limited notes, prepared in round, will be permitted. Judges will give time signals.

IPDA will be offered as well, with the following guidelines

Debaters will be presented with five resolutions. Both debaters will alternatively strike one resolution each, starting with the negative. The 30-minute prep time begins at the first negative strike. The following time constraints for the round will be used- 5-2-6-2-3-5-3.

Electronic resources are allowed during prep, as is consulting with other students. However, students may not prep with coaches.

All preliminary rounds will be randomly assigned.