**Cougar Clash February 3rd 2024 Topic Areas**

**CHSAA rules and event descriptions will be used for CHSAA events.**

**NSDA Congressional Debate rules will be used for Congressional Debate.**

**Congressional Debate**

The Congressional Debate Dockets have been posted at [www.speechwire.com](http://www.speechwire.com) on the Files for Download tab.

* The Docket order is set for each session.
* Congress will have three rounds or sessions and a finals round or session.
* There will be a new PO for each session.
* Precedence will start over for each session.
* We will use direct questioning during congress.

**Extemporaneous Speaking Topic Areas**

We will use the NSDA cross-examination format with a 2-minute questioning period in the final rounds of National and International Extemporaneous Speaking. We will draw in 8 minute intervals during prelims and 12 minute intervals during finals.

**USX**  
RD1 Economy  
RD2 Congress

RD3 Supreme Court

Semifinals: Foreign Policy

Finals Election Politics

**IX**

RD1 Europe

RD2 Asia

RD3 Middle East

Finals Latin America

**Lincoln-Douglas Debate – 2024 January-February Topic**

Resolved: The United States ought to substantially reduce its military presence in the West Asia-North Africa region.

**Public Forum Debate – 2024 February Topic**

Resolved: The United States federal government should ban single-use plastics.

**Policy Debate – 2023-2024 Topic**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase fiscal redistribution in the United States by adopting a federal jobs guarantee, expanding Social Security, and/or providing a basic income.

* Varsity CX Debate is open to all CX debate teams.
* JV CX debate is limited to freshman and sophomore CX debaters or students in their first year of competition.
* In JV CX, no Kritiks or counterplans are allowed.
* In JV CX, we will employ the NFHS Novice case limits, meaning that all teams should limit themselves to these case areas.

Novice Case Limits for the 2022-2023 Policy Debate Topic

* Basic Income: Universal Basic Income
* Basic Income: Basic Income for Persons at or near the Poverty Level
* Federal Jobs Guarantee: Green New Deal
* Social Security: Medicare for All