

UIL SuperConference
Texas Tech University, Lubbock
Speech & Debate: Jana Riggins, UIL State Speech & Debate Director

Speech & Debate sessions will be held in the English and Philosophy Building.

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

- **Prose and Poetry: Starting at the Beginning.** For novice competitors. Acquaints beginning students with the UIL interpretation contests rules and procedures. Tonya Harper, Mount Pleasant: Chapel Hill HS. ENG/PHIL 001.
- **Oral Interpretation: Taking Your Performance to Another Level.** For advanced oral interpretation competitors. Discussion of various strategies to improve overall performance, including character work, literary analysis, and use of technology. Trends in how to improve introductions, select a theme and bookwork will also be addressed. Ann Shofner, retired from Amarillo: Tascosa HS. ENG/PHIL 101.
- **An Introduction to Congress.** Learn about this new pilot contest for UIL. A discussion about rules, roles and parliamentary procedure. Nathaniel Council, Hereford HS; Mellessa Denny, Amarillo HS. ENG/PHIL 106.
- **The Basics of Lincoln-Douglas Debate.** Familiarizes beginning students with value debate. Learn LD Debate format, speaker responsibilities and case construction. Ron Hester, retired from Snyder HS. ENG/PHIL 109.
- **Advanced LD Debate: The Effective Use of Philosophy.** Exploration of various philosophies with a focus on the more prominent philosophers used in LD debate. Includes how to incorporate these in debate cases. Melissa Witt, Hallsville HS. ENG/PHIL 104.
- **Getting Started in Cross-Examination Debate.** If you think CX policy debate is not for you, come listen to CX debate made user-friendly. Learn CX debate format, speaker responsibilities and basic terminology. Marsha Wiseman, Dimmitt HS. ENG/PHIL 103.
- **Advanced CX Debate: Economic Engagement with Cuba, Mexico and Venezuela.** A discussion of economic issues surrounding the policy debate topic: international trade, investment and migration barriers. Greg Rehmke, Economic Thinking. ENG/PHIL 105.

10:45 – noon

- **Take a Journey Through the New Categories.** A thorough explanation of the 2013-14 prose and poetry categories for novice and varsity competitors. Ann Shofner, retired from Amarillo: Tascosa HS; Jana Riggins, UIL. ENG/PHIL 001.
- **An Introduction to Extemporaneous Speaking.** For beginners. The basics to get started in persuasive and informative speaking. Student demonstration included. Charlene Strickland, Hardin-Simmons University and UIL State Contest Director for Extemporaneous Speaking. ENG/PHIL 108.
- **Extemporaneous Speaking and Economic Freedom.** For advanced speakers. From Detroit to the Arab Spring to economic turmoil and unemployment around the world, enterprise and job creation are central to economic liberalization and stability. Extemp competitors can draw from an economic toolbox to analyze a wide range of domestic and international extemporaneous speaking topics. Greg Rehmke, Economic Thinking. ENG/PHIL 105.
- **LD Debate Demonstration.** Watch a live round of value debate. Moderator - Tonya Harper, Mount Pleasant: Chapel Hill HS. ENG/PHIL 106.
- **CX Debate Topic Analysis.** Examining affirmative and negative positions on the 2013 2014 policy debate topic. Larry McCarty, retired from Ingram: Tom Moore HS. ENG/PHIL 103.
- **Congress for Coaches.** A discussion of how Congress will be implemented this year and guidance on how to coach your students in this new pilot contest. Nathaniel Council, Hereford HS; Mellessa Denny, Amarillo HS. ENG/PHIL 110.

12:15 – 1:30 p.m.

- **A Journey into Category B of Prose.** This new category is the most unusual and innovative one yet! Watch a sample student performance, explore the freedom and variety this category provides and hear a state advisory committee member shed light on the possibilities of your journey with Prose category B. Ann Shofner, retired from Amarillo: Tascosa HS. ENG/PHIL 001.

- **Quality vs. Quantity in Extemp.** A discussion focusing on the use of credible sources in Informative and Persuasive Speaking, addressing the strengths and weaknesses of a variety of publications in different topic areas. Charlene Strickland, Hardin-Simmons University and UIL State Contest Director for Extemporaneous Speaking. ENG/PHIL 108.
- **How to Succeed in Congress.** Competitive strategies that can lead to success in the new UIL pilot Congress contest. Nathaniel Council, Hereford HS; Mellessa Denny, Amarillo HS. ENG/PHIL 106.
- **LD Debate Topic Analysis.** Examining the UIL fall Lincoln-Douglas debate resolution. Larry McCarty, retired from Ingram: Tom Moore HS. ENG/PHIL 103.
- **Advanced LD Debate.** The economics and values of democracy in the U.S. and Middle East. Does the U.S. have a moral obligation to try to mitigate international conflicts? The economics and ethics of promoting democracy and economic freedom in the Middle East. Greg Rehmke, Economic Thinking. ENG/PHIL 105.
- **Cross-Examination Debate Demonstration.** Watch a live round of policy debate on this year's CX Debate topic. Moderator – Melissa Witt, Hallsville HS. ENG/PHIL 109.
- **Creating Your Zombie-Apocalypse Survival Dream Team.** Encouraging, inspiring, including the distinct GT personalities using Speech, Debate, and UIL Academics. Sami Womack, Dimmitt HS. ENG/PHIL 110.