

# UIL SuperConference

Sam Houston State University, Huntsville

Speech & Debate: Jana Riggins, UIL State Speech & Debate Director

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. Includes student demonstration. Sammy Green, State Advisory Committee Member. SH 186
- **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. Brad Durio, Sabine Pass HS. SH 140
- **An Introduction to Congress.** Learn about this new pilot contest for UIL with a discussion about structure of the contest, rules, roles and parliamentary procedure. Jana Riggins, UIL Director. SH 135
- **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. SH 138
- **Advanced LD Debate: Theory and strategy.** A discussion of advanced theory and strategies for varsity debaters. Includes how to incorporate these in debate rounds. Scott Alderson. SH 133
- **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. Chad Flisowski, Galveston: Ball HS. SH 134
- **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, SH 139

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. Sammy Green and Brad Durio, State Advisory Committee Members. SH 186
- **An Introduction to Extemporaneous Speaking.** For beginners. The basics to get started in persuasive and informative speaking. Student demonstration included. Linda Alderson, retired from Boling HS. SH 133
- **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, SH 139
- **LD Debate Demonstration.** Watch a live round of value debate. Moderator - Chad Flisowski, Galveston: Ball HS. SH134
- **CX Debate Topic Analysis.** Examining affirmative and negative positions on the 2013 2014 policy debate topic. Larry McCarty, retired from Ingram: Tom Moore HS. SH 138
- **Coaches Corner.** Meet with your state director to ask questions and get answers about the new Congress pilot contest, important updates and deadlines for UIL Speech and Debate this season. Jana Riggins, UIL Director. SH 135

12:15 – 1:30 p.m.

- **Prose and Poetry Performance Hour.** Performances of the new categories with oral critiques by experienced state meet judges/coaches. Sammy Green, Brad Durio, Michael Merritte, critic judges. SH 186
- **Advanced Strategies for Extemporaneous Speaking.** A discussion focusing on how to elevate your informative and persuasive speeches from good to best! Linda Alderson, retired from Boling HS. SH 133
- **Value Debate & The Application of Historical, Legal & Constitutional Issues.** For LD debaters and coaches. Classical philosophical ideals serve as the basis for contemporary political thought. This session explores well-known historical documents and explains how the philosophic ideas embedded within those documents ultimately become the framework for public policy. Larry McCarty, retired from Ingram: Tom Moore HS. SH 138

- **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, SH 139
- **Cross-Examination Debate: Name Your Question.** For novice and advanced CX debaters. This session will divide novice and varsity students into small groups where you can ask questions concerning theory, strategies, and topic-specific arguments. Chad Flisowski, Galveston: Ball HS and Scott Alderson. SH 134

\* All speech and debate sessions will be held in Smith-Hutson (SH) building.