



**LOWER COLUMBIA COLLEGE  
SPEECH & DEBATE**

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**47<sup>th</sup> Annual Michael Dugaw Smelt Classic**  
December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Colleagues,

Lower Columbia College cordially invites you and your students to attend the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Smelt Classic forensics tournament, which will be the first iteration of this tournament to bear Michael Dugaw's name. Mike "Sir" Dugaw hosted the inaugural Smelt Classic in the fall of 1972 and continued to be a mainstay at the tournament right up until weeks before his passing in December 2018. He has left his mark not only on the LCC program, but all across our entire forensics community.

The tournament will be held on our campus in Longview, Washington on **Saturday and Sunday, December 7-8, 2018**. For many programs, this will likely be the last tournament of the fall academic term. Our goal is to host a tournament that is both a constructive mid-season tournament for those who will continue in the new year, and a meaningful end of season tournament for those who are graduating, studying abroad, or moving on for any other reason.

We intend to offer IPDA and NPDA debate, all AFA-NIET Individual Events, as well as the supplemental event Editorial Commentary. We will not be offering BP debate as Seattle University will be concurrently holding their BP-only tournament. We will offer Novice, Junior, and Open divisions at the time of registration, with the understanding that most categories will be collapsed. In collapsed events, the top competitor in each lower division will be acknowledged in our awards ceremony.

Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can provide any additional information. We look forward to hosting you this December!

Sincerely,

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## REGISTRATION

Please enter online at [www.ForensicsTournament.net/LCCSmeltClassic/19](http://www.ForensicsTournament.net/LCCSmeltClassic/19)

**Entry Deadline: 11:00pm Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Drop Deadline: 11:00pm Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**

## EVENTS & PATTERNS:

Debate: IPDA, NPDA

IE Pattern A: Impromptu, Informative, Communication Analysis, Drama, Prose, Duo,

IE Pattern B: Extemporaneous, Persuasive, After Dinner Speaking, P.O.I. Poetry, Editorial Commentary

**IPDA Debate** IPDA will follow the rules as presented in the IPDA constitution. We will use the standard 5-2-6-2-3-5-3 format with thirty (30) minutes between strike and the beginning of the round. IPDA rules and further information can be found at <http://www.ipdadebate.info>

**NPDA Debate:** Topics will be centrally announced and teams will have twenty (20) total minutes from the time of the announcement until the start of the round. The tournament will follow NPDA rules, which can be accessed at <http://parlidebate.org/npda-rules/>

***PLEASE NOTE: Students who participate in NPDA may not enter IPDA debate.***

**Speech Events:** AFA-NIET rules will govern the 11 standard speech events. Information and event descriptions can be found at <https://sites.google.com/site/afanietnew2/products-services/event-descriptions>

**Editorial Commentary:** This is a supplemental category at our tournament that is meant to simulate a radio or television editorial commentary. The student will prepare a manuscript, which attempts to influence an audience toward a particular position related to a current event. The competitor will deliver this speech while seated at a table or desk (as a news anchor would). The time limit is 3:45-4:15 minutes, and should be strictly adhered to. Judges are to give NO time signals, though the competitors may time themselves or receive time signals from a coach or teammate.

**ENTRY RESTRICTIONS:** Students may triple enter within a given pattern, but they do so at their own risk. Rooms are spread out, and we will make every effort to keep this tournament running on schedule. Therefore, it is the student's responsibility to communicate with judges and make it to each round in a timely manner. No student may enter the same event twice. We reserve the right to restrict entry because of room or judge availability. Students may not enter multiple times in the same category.

The two exceptions to the entry restrictions are Extemporaneous Speaking and Duo. Students entered in Duo may enter twice provided that they have a different duo partner for each entry. Due to time constraints, students entered in Extemp may only double-enter in Pattern B.

**JUDGES:** Please make every effort to cover your entries. One judge covers 4 debaters (4 IPDA debaters or 2 NPDA Teams) and 10 IE entries (regardless of pattern). We will assume that your judges will be available at the point in the tournament where your students start competition and will be committed at least one round beyond the point where your students are eliminated.

**FEES:** School = \$40.00, NPDA Teams = \$60.00, IPDA entry: \$30.00 IE entry = \$8.00.

**UNCOVERED ENTRY FEES:** IEs = \$12.00, NPDA = \$100.00 per team, IPDA = \$50.00

Fees will be set Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**DIVISION GUIDELINES:**

Please consider the following guidelines when determining what division your students should be entered in:

- **Novice:** a novice speaker is any student who has less than two semesters (or three quarters) of high school or college experience. They have not advanced to elimination rounds more than three times in the event in question. If the circumstances warrant, a student may enter as a novice in some events while entering at a higher level in others.
- **Junior:** a junior speaker is any student in their first or second year of collegiate competition. Again, they have not placed in elimination rounds more than three times in the event in question at the junior level.
- **Open:** all students meeting national eligibility requirements may enter in the Open division. Eligible students must not have completed their bachelor’s degree.

**COLLAPSING EVENTS:** We reserve the right to collapse any event to adjust for entry size, room availability or judge availability. It is highly unlikely that we will be able to offer all three divisions of all events listed, so please stay tuned for information on how we will collapse after registration has closed.

**AWARDS:** Certificates will be presented to all IE finalists and debate elimination round participants. Medals will additionally be presented to the top three competitors in each speech event and semifinalists in debate events. Mugs will be presented as debate speaker awards.

**SWEEPSTAKES:** Awards will be given for the top five schools and the top placing two-year college. Sweepstakes points will be earned using the following point scheme. Only competitors placing in the top 50% of their field are eligible to earn sweepstakes points.

EVENT	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> /Semis	4 <sup>th</sup> /Quarters	Finalist/Octos
IEs	10	8	6	4	2
Debate	15	12	9	6	3

**MEALS:** LCC food service will unfortunately be closed for the entirety of the tournament. Fortunately, we have many quick food options in close proximity to our campus. Jack in the Box, Heavenly Donuts, Pizza Hut, Subway, Junior’s Tacos, and Baskin-Robbins are all immediately across the street from RCA – our central hub for the tournament.

We will provide coffee and light breakfast snacks in the RCA lobby on both days of the tournament.

**GENERAL MISCELLANEOUS RULES:** All materials used in competition shall not have been used by the student in any tournament prior to September, 2019. A contestant may not use the same cutting/content or any portion of that cutting/content in more than one prepared event at this tournament. Out round brackets in debate will be broken to avoid teams from the same school meeting. All interp events require a manuscript. All oral critiques and discussions must end at least 15 minutes before the start of the next round of the tournament. Teams and individual debaters must be prepared to debate on time.

**Lodging Information For Longview/Kelso Area  
(Updated September, 2017)**

Red Lion Inn 510 Kelso Dr. Kelso, WA. 98626	360-636-4400
Best Western Aladdin Inn 310 Long Ave. Kelso, WA.98626	360-425-9660
Monticello Hotel 1405 17th Ave. Longview, WA. 98626	360-425-9900
Comfort Inn 440 Three Rivers Dr. Kelso, WA. 98626	360-425-4600
Guest House Inn & Suites 501 Three Rivers Dr. Kelso, WA. 98626	360-414-5953
Motel 6 106 Minor Rd. Kelso, WA. 98626	360-425-3229
Quality Inn & Suites 723 7 <sup>th</sup> Ave Longview, WA 98632	360-414-1000

## **TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

2019 Dugaw Smelt Classic

### **Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 am: Registration begins – Rose Center for the Arts (RCA)  
8:30 am: 1A (IMP, INF, CA, DI, PRO, DUO)  
10:00 am: 2A  
11:30 am: Lunch break  
12:00 pm: 1B (EXT, PER, ADS, POE, POI, EC)  
1:30 pm: 2B  
3:00 pm: Debate 1 (IPDA/NPDA)  
4:45 pm: Pattern A & B Finals  
6:15 pm: Debate 2  
ASAP: Speech Awards (Wollenberg Auditorium – Rose Center for the Arts)

### **Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 am: Debate 3  
9:45 am: Debate 4  
11:30 am: Lunch break  
12:00 pm: Debate 5  
1:45 pm: Debate Quarterfinals (if justified)  
3:45 pm: Debate Speaker Awards, Finalists Announced  
4:00 pm: Debate Semifinals  
6:00 pm: Debate Finals (will move up if able to single-flight Semifinals)  
ASAP: Debate Awards