

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of Stephen F. Austin University and East Texas Baptist University, we are thrilled to invite you to the first **SFA & ETBU Pineywoods Swing** at the beautiful SFA campus, deep in the heart of Nacogdoches, Texas, February 6-8.

The competition will feature all three divisions (Novice, Varsity, and Professional). There will be 6 preliminary **IPDA rounds in each half of the tournament**. We hope to offer you a fun and educational weekend of forensic competition.

All entries must be received by Tuesday, February 3, 2015, at 5:00 pm. Keith Milstead will be running tab and entries may be emailed to Keith Milstead at milstead@uamont.edu. Changes will be accepted without charge until 12:00 noon, Wednesday, February 4, at which point fees will be set. Late fees will be charged for any changes after Wednesday, February 4 at noon (in addition to any fees associated with the entry).

For something a little different than pizza, in East Texas fashion, we will be selling BBQ plates with all the "fixin's." To order a BBQ plate, please send in the number of plates per team when sending in your entry information.

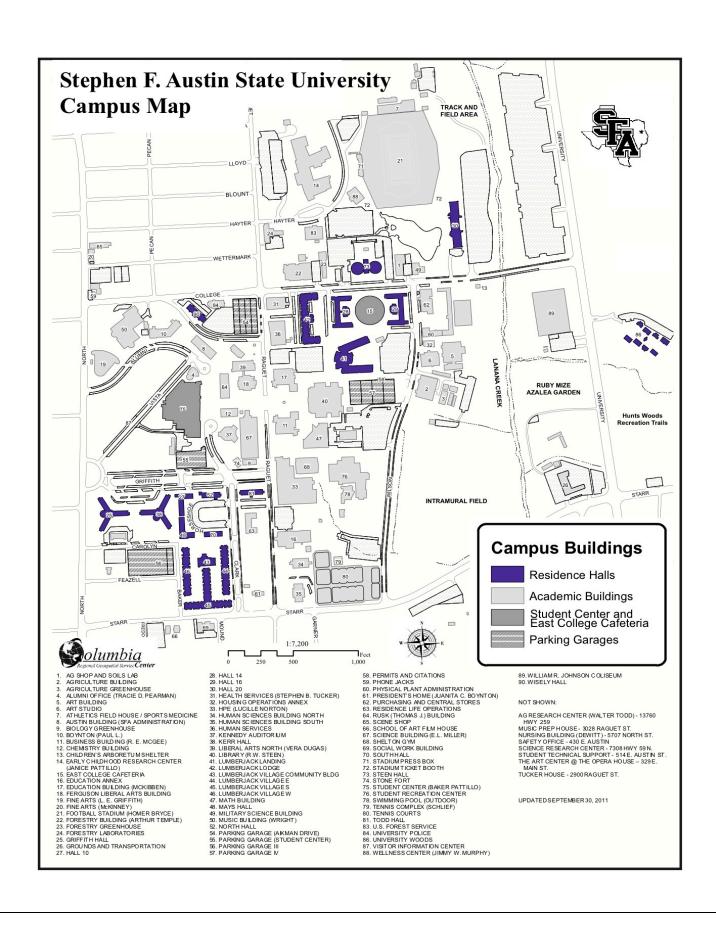
Pre-tournament updates will be posted to the following website (and this site will also be used for posting elimination round participants each evening at the conclusion of the competition – so that you will not have to wait around for breaks). This information can be found at:

www.ipdadebate.info

In the pages that follow, you'll find all the details for the Swing debate tournament. If you have questions, please feel free to contact us at any time.

Cordially,

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HOTEL INFORMATION

While there is no block rate available, Nacogdoches has a wide variety of hotels close to campus and restaurants, fit for all budgets. The estimated rates for some of our featured hotels listed are for one room for one night.

| Hampton Inn | \$119 | 936.560.9901 |
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| Days Inn | | 936.715.0005 |
| Comfort Suites | | 936.560.9900 |
| Best Western | | 936.560.1906 |
| Super 8 | \$85 | 936.560.2888 |
| Holiday Inn Express | | 936.564.0100 |
| Quality Inn | \$80 | 936.564.2800 |
| La Quinta Inn | \$72 | 936.560.5453 |
| Continental Inn | \$62 | 936.560.5555 |
| Econo Lodge | \$60 | 936.569.0880 |

ARRIVAL & REGISTRATION

Registration will be on the first floor of the Vera Dugas Liberal Arts North Building, located off of Aikman Drive. Each team will be provided with a welcome packet with a schedule, map, and information about local restaurants and activities. However, a map is also provided in this invitation. Wifi information will also be in your packet.

PARKING

On Friday, you may choose to obtain a free visitor parking permit at the information booth on Vista Drive and park in visitor parking in front of the school or the parking garage next to the Baker Patillo Student Center. If you park in the parking garage, there will be a parking fee of \$6.00 (for Friday only). On Saturday and Sunday, you may park anywhere on campus.

DIRECTIONS

The University's physical address is 1936 North Street, Nacogdoches, Texas, 75946. When you arrive on North Street, turn onto Vista Drive (main campus entrance) and stop by the visitor booth for your visitor parking permit. They will provide you with a map and directions for parking. An SFA student will also be there to guide you (look for the ax handle!)

FROM AUSTIN

- 1. Take Highway 79 East to Marguez.
- 2. Take Highway 7 East to Nacogdoches.
- 3. Turn Left on North Street (Highway 59 Business).

FROM DALLAS

- 1. Take Highway 80 East to Interstate 20 East and follow I-20 to Kilgore.
- 2. In Kilgore, take Highway 259 South to Nacogdoches
- 3. Highway 259 will become Highway 9 Business in Nacogdoches. (Take HWY 59 Business)

FROM HOUSTON

- 1. Take Highway 59 North to Nacogdoches.
- 2. Take Highway 59 Business.

FROM SHREVEPORT

- 1. Take Interstate 20 West.
- 2. Take Highway 79 South to Carthage.
- 3. Take Highway 59 South to Nacogdoches.
- 4. Take Highway 59 Business.

MEALS & RESTAURANT OPTIONS

There are many restaurants right across from campus to cater to your needs and a list will be provided in your Welcome Packet that you will receive upon registration. However, remember to pre-order your BBQ plates for Saturday at lunch if you want one! We will only have a few extras available! Just send the number of plates you need for each team. Price of plates will be under \$10.

JUDGE'S TRAINING

There will be a mandatory, short judge's training at the beginning of the tournament.

AWARDS

Awards will be presented to all elimination round participants in all events. Awards shall be presented to the top five speakers in each debate division. The top three programs and the top two-year colleges shall receive awards for sweepstakes. Additionally, for those schools entering both halves of the Swing tournament, the top three programs and the top two-year college shall receive awards for Swing sweepstakes. Finally, we will award the team with the overall highest winning percentage.

SCHEDULE

Friday, February 6, 2015 ETBU Portion

11:00 a.m. Registration 11:30 a.m. Judge's Training 12:00 p.m. IPDA Draw 1 1:30 p.m. IPDA Draw 2 3:00 p.m. IPDA Draw 3 4:30 p.m. IPDA Draw 4 6:00 p.m. IPDA Draw 5 7:30 p.m. IPDA Draw 6

Saturday, February 7, 2015 ETBU College Portioncontinued

8:00 a.m. Coach's Check 8:30 a.m. Elimination 1 Draw 10:00 a.m. Elimination 2 Draw 11:30 p.m. Elimination 3 Draw 1:00 p.m. Elimination 4 Draw 2:30 p.m. Break & Registration for SFA half of tournament

Saturday, February 7, 2015 SFASU Portion

3:00 p.m. IPDA Draw 1 4:30 p.m. IPDA Draw 2 6:00 p.m. IPDA Draw 3 7:30 p.m. IPDA Draw 4

Sunday, February 8, 2015 SFASU Portion-continued

8:00 a.m. IPDA Draw 5 9:30 a.m. IPDA Draw 6 11:00 a.m. Coach's Check 11:45 a.m. Elimination 1 1:00 p.m. Awards

Outrounds continue immediately following awards

EVENT INFORMATION

1. General information

1. No minimum number of entries required for schools to count toward sweepstakes awards.

2. Points formula

- 1. All of a school's top four entries in each individual event will count toward sweepstakes totals, and all of a school's top four debaters in each debate division will count toward sweepstakes totals.
- 2. Debate points will be awarded according to the following formula:
 - 5 points for each preliminary round win
 - 6 points for breaking to elimination rounds
 - 6 points for 1st speaker
 - 5 points for 2nd speaker
 - 4 points for 3rd speaker
 - 3 points for 4th speaker
 - 2 points for 5th speaker
 - Individual debate points will be halved, with the exception of speaker awards.

JUDGES

One judge during debate rounds covers 4 IPDA debaters. As is commonplace in IPDA, once eliminated from competition, IPDA competitors may be used to judge IPDA elimination rounds. All judges are obligated to judge one round beyond the elimination of their program. **If you do not bring judges, you will be charged additional fees.**

ENTRIES

Entries should be emailed (preferred) to **Keith Milstead** at **milstead@uamont.edu**. PLEASE MAKE ANY CHECKS PAYABLE TO "SFASU Debate" or ETBU Debate." (Depending on which portion(s) your team is participating).

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BBQ PLATES

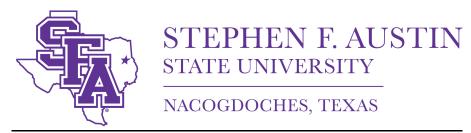
Remember to include the number of BBQ plates your team would like for lunch on Saturday on the provided registration form (under the SFA portion)! Price of each plate will be under \$10.



Pineywoods Swing Debate Entries (ETBU portion)

IPDA DEBATE (Individual)

| SCHOOL: | | | |
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| EMAIL: | AIL: PHONE: | | |
| Competitor's Name | Division (Novice, Varsity, Pro) | Judge's Name | |
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| FEES \$ IPDA @ \$25 each | | | |
| \$ UnCovered IPDA @ additional | | E MAKE ANY CHECKS PAYABLE TO "ETBU Debate" | |
| \$ Total Fees | | Entries may be emailed to milstead@uamont.edu | |



Pineywoods Swing Debate Entries (SFASU portion)

IPDA DEBATE (Individual)

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| EMAIL: | AIL: PHONE: | | |
| Competitor's Name | Division (Novice, Varsity, Pro) | Judge's Name | |
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| \$ UnCovered IPDA @ addition | al \$15 each | Entries may be emailed to milstead@uamont.edu | |
| \$ Total Fees | | | |