



## TEXAS TWO-STEP 2012

Colleagues:

On behalf of both the Sam Houston State University and East Texas Baptist University debate teams, we are honored to invite you to the "Texas Two-Step" on the campus of Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, TX during February 3-5, 2012.

The weekend will feature all three divisions of IPDA in TWO BACK-TO-BACK UNFLIGHTED EIGHT-ROUND TOURNAMENTS. This is an excellent opportunity to rack up debate points. Due to the compact nature of our schedule, we strongly recommend teams have lunch delivered during Saturday and Sunday.

Enclosed, you will find pertinent information about awards, fee, judges, and accommodations. We look forward to a weekend of Texas-sized competition, trophies, and fun.

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## ENTRY FEES/JUDGES

### PLEASE BRING JUDGES!!!

Entry fees are \$25 per competitor. A \$15 fee will be assessed for every uncovered competitor.

Given the large amount of rounds during the weekend, the tournament will run unflighted. In order to encourage programs to bring as many judges as possible, we are offering additional discounts. 1 judge covers 4 entries, but if you bring 1 judge for every 2 entries, you receive \$10 off the 2 "supercovered" entries.

Uncovered entries are \$40. Covered entries(1 judge covers 4 competitors) are \$25. Supercovered entries(1 judge for every 2 debaters) are **\$15**. This means that if all your entries are supercovered, total entry fees for **BOTH** tournaments will be \$30 for each competitor.

All schools will be required to judge one round past their highest finisher. Competitors who do not advance may be used as judges during outrounds.

Please encourage your judges and competitors to be as prompt as possible. Unless delayed by unavoidable occurrences(locked rooms, late judges, etc), draw will occur at the times listed. If a competitor is five(5) minutes late to draw, the opponent will be allowed to choose the resolution independently.

## TOURNAMENT HOTEL

The tournament hotel is the University Hotel

1610 Bobby K Marks  
Huntsville, TX 77341  
Phone: (936) 291-2151  
Fax: (936) 294-1683  
Email: hotel@shsu.edu

A block of rooms have been reserved at \$84/night under the name "Debate.Tournament."

Please note that the entire hotel is NON-SMOKING.

## DEADLINE

The entry deadline will be **5:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 31, 2012**. Changes may be made at no charge until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 1, 2012. Any changes made after the deadline will be assessed a \$15 fee per change. Judges made be added at any time without charge.

## **TOURNAMENT PROCEDURES**

This tournament shall operate under the current IPDA Constitution and Bylaws.

Registration & the base of operations shall be the College of Humanities and Social Sciences (CHSS) building, located at 1901 Avenue I. A campus map is available at <http://www.shsu.edu/map>.

Jim Evans (UAM) will be running the tab room for both halves of the swing.

Tab will be open.

Both SHSU and ETBU intend to field competitors in both halves of the swing.

Every effort will be made not to have SHSU and ETBU competitors judged by judges from their respective schools, but in the event that more judges are needed than clean judges are available, we guarantee that the host competitors will not be judged by team members.

## **SWEEPSTAKES/AWARDS**

Each tournament:

Speaker awards for the top 5 competitors and trophies for all elimination rounds in each division.

Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded for the top 3 programs.

Calculated: Top 4 competitors in each division, 5 points for each preliminary round win, 5 points for breaking, outrounds will not be counted for sweeps. 1<sup>st</sup> place speaker=5 points, 2<sup>nd</sup>=4, 3<sup>rd</sup>=3, 4<sup>th</sup>=2, 5<sup>th</sup>=1.

Entire swing:

Speaker awards for the top 5 speakers of any division over the course of both tournaments.

Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded for the top 3 programs.

Calculated: Points from both tournaments are added together, plus any points earned from overall speaker awards (1<sup>st</sup> place speaker=5 points, 2<sup>nd</sup>=4, 3<sup>rd</sup>=3, 4<sup>th</sup>=2, 5<sup>th</sup>=1).

Spirit of the Alamo Award: ("Wrecking Crew") The team, minimum of 3 members, who possess the highest win percentage as a program over both tournaments. This award includes all team members included in the tournament entry.

Jim Bowie Award: The competitor, of any division, who possesses the highest win percentage over both tournaments.

**SCHEDULE**

Friday		Saturday		Sunday	
4:00pm	Registration	8:15am	ETBU VII	8:30am	Awards
4:30pm	ETBU I	9:25am	ETBU VIII	9:15am	ETBU ELIM II
5:40pm	ETBU II	10:35am	SHSU I	10:25am	SHSU ELIM II
6:50pm	ETBU III	11:45am	SHSU II	11:35am	ETBU ELIM III
8:00pm	ETBU IV	12:55pm	SHSU III	12:45pm	SHSU ELIM III
9:10pm	ETBU V	2:05pm	SHSU IV	1:55pm	ETBU ELIM IV
10:20pm	ETBU VI	3:15pm	SHSU V	3:05pm	SHSU ELIM V
		4:25pm	SHSU VI		
		5:35pm	SHSU VII		
		6:45pm	SHSU VIII		
		8:00pm	Review		
		8:30pm	ETBU ELIM I		
		9:40pm	SHSU ELIM II		

**\* PLEASE NOTE: OUTROUNDS WILL RUN ASAP FOR BOTH TOURNAMENTS. AS SOON AS ALLOWABLE, OUTROUNDS FOR BOTH TOURNAMENTS WILL RUN SIMULTANEOUSLY.**

Entry form:

**IPDA:** Public Debate Individual Competitors (please indicate ETBU half, SHSU half, or both)

PROFESSIONAL

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_  
5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

VARSITY

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_  
5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

NOVICE

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

**ETBU half fees**

Supercovered IPDA @ \$15 ea. \_\_\_\_\_

IPDA Entries @ \$25 ea. \_\_\_\_\_

Uncovered IPDA @ \$40 ea. \_\_\_\_\_

**SHSU half fees**

Supercovered IPDA @ \$15 ea. \_\_\_\_\_

IPDA Entries @ \$25 ea. \_\_\_\_\_

Uncovered IPDA @ \$40 ea. \_\_\_\_\_

Drops/Changes @ \$15 \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL FEES \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE EMAIL ENTRIES TO [DEBATE@SHSU.EDU](mailto:DEBATE@SHSU.EDU) BY 5:00 P.M. TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2012.**

**YOU WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL CONFIRMATION WHEN WE RECEIVE YOUR ENTRIES**