

*The National Debate Association's
National Debate Tournament
March 15-16, 2019
Muncie, IN*



Invitation

Dear NEDA colleagues and friends,

On behalf of the National Educational Debate Association and the Ball State Debate Team, it is our pleasure to invite you to attend the National Educational Debate Association's National Debate Tournament at Ball State University on March 15th and 16th, 2018. We are excited to host the national tournament and are looking forward to having you on our campus!

Tournament Schedule

Friday, March 15th, 2019

Registration (David Letterman Lobby)	3:00-3:30pm
Round 1	3:30-5:00
Round 2	5:00-6:30
Snack	6:30-7:00
Round 3	7:00-8:30pm

Saturday, March 16th, 2019

Round 4	8:30-10:00
Round 5	10:00-11:30
Round 6	11:30-1:00
Lunch (David Letterman Lobby)	1:00-2:00
Quarter-Finals	2:00-3:30
(Transition to Alumni Center)	3:30-4:00
Semi-Finals (Alumni Center)	4:00-5:30
Finals (Alumni Center)	5:30-7:00
Awards Banquet (Alumni Center)	7:00

Entries

Entries are due by Friday, March 8th (see attached entry form). This is to ensure that we have sufficient food, rooms, and judging for the tournament. Please e-mail your entries to Mike Bauer (mbauer2@bsu.edu).

Registration Fees

The registration cost per team entered is \$80.00. We ask that you please provide judges to cover your entries. As per usual, one judge covers two teams. **We will also be charging \$10 per person for all those eating a meal who aren't registered teams (coaches, observers).**

Please inform us of the names of your judges when you register for the tournament. We will do our very best to maintain the NEDA tradition of lay judges at the tournament. We will be having members of the community judging as well.

We will accept entries in open and novice divisions (following NEDA rules to determine eligibility) in Traditional and Crossfire formats. Overall entries will determine the feasibility of offering separate divisions.

Drop Fees

There will be a \$40 drop fee for any team dropped from competition after midnight Wednesday March 12, 2019. **No new teams will be entered after the March 8th deadline!!!!**

Tournament Rules and Procedures

This tournament will follow all rules established in the NEDA constitution and other governing documents. The topic for our tournament will be the NEDA spring 2019 resolution (**Resolved: "The United States should eliminate mandatory minimum sentencing"**). **Traditional debate and Crossfire** will follow the time limits established by NEDA.

Awards

The top five speakers in each division and the top five teams in each division will receive awards. There will also be sweepstakes awards for the top three teams. The top four teams in each division in preliminary rounds count toward sweepstakes.

Parking

Parking/Directions: On Campus parking is in the restricted R2 (red sign) parking lot. The entry for this lot is from McKinley Avenue which travels through campus.

From the north, enter from Bethel Avenue onto McKinley. The road will come to a traffic circle, take the first exit on your left. The entry for the parking lot is on your right just BEFORE your first stop light which is the Petty/Neeley intersection. The parking lot entry is about 200 feet before the intersection. If you go through the intersection and past the bell tower you have gone too far.

From the south, take McKinley just pass the bell tower, through the intersection of Neeley/Petty. About 200 feet after the intersection the R2 parking lot entry is on your left.

Enter the Robert Bell Building. This building is across the street from the parking lot. Walk through the first floor of this building. You will go down a small ramp and enter the Letterman Building. Registration will be in the Lobby of the Letterman Building.

On Saturday for the banquet, semis, and final rounds will all be at the alumni center. The alumni center is located at the corner of Bethel Ave and Tillotson Ave just north of the main campus. The alumni center is a block away from the Best Western Hotel.

If you are going to the alumni center from the Letterman Building you will go on Mckinley Ave back to Bethel Ave and then turn left on Bethel. The alumni center will be on your right next to the stadium and right before the stoplight at Tillotson Ave.

Hotels

The tournament hotel is the:

Best Western, (765) 282-0600. Here is your URL to make online reservations for the block of rooms:

https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.15076.html?groupId=U66AE5Y5

The rate we have is \$95.95/night.

Other Hotel options in the area:

Fairfield Inn 765-282-6666

Super 8 765-287-5058

Holiday Inn Express 765-289-4678

Baymont Inn 765-228-2443

Student Center Hotel 765-285-1555

2019 NEDA Nationals Entry Form

Debaters (Names)	Division (Traditional Open/Novice; Crossfire Open/Novice; Maverick)
Team 1:	
Team 2:	
Team 3:	
Team 4:	
Team 5:	
Team 6:	
Team 7:	

Coaches and Judges (Names)	Available to Judge (yes or no)?
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Please indicate here whether anyone on your squad has dietary restrictions or preferences (vegetarian, vegan, etc.):