

FFL '17 - '18 Winter Bulletin

New Website

- The Florida Forensic League has a new VP/Webmaster – Aly Fiebrantz from Cypress Bay HS. Aly has created a new website with a new web address. Please do not attempt to use the old website – it no longer exists. Please copy and paste the new website into your browser and save it in your bookmarks.

<https://floridaforensicsleague.com/>

Regional Tournaments

All Regional Tournaments will take place on Saturday, February 3, 2018 (With the exception of Region 6 which will begin on Friday, February 2nd).

Tournament Locations:

Region 1 – Niceville HS
Region 2 – Trinity Prep
Region 3 – King HS
Region 4 – Park Vista HS
Region 5 – Ransom Everglades
Region 6 – Cypress Bay
Region 7 – Pending

Varsity State

Timber Creek HS will be playing host to the Varsity State Tournament. Many thanks to Beth Eskin and her team for helping us to keep the Varsity State Tournament centrally located!

Dates – Friday & Saturday March 2nd – 3rd 2018

Address - 1001 Avalon Park S Blvd, Orlando, FL 32828

Registration will take place via SpeechWire

Novice State

Get ready to DeBayte at Cypress Bay for the 2018 Novice State Tournament.

Dates – Saturday & Sunday April 14th 15th 2018

Address - 18600 Vista Park Blvd, Weston, FL 33332

Registration will take place via SpeechWire

- We will be conducting our Spring Meeting on the Sunday morning of the Novice State after we schedule the first round. The Board of Directors is looking to increase participation by coaches, thus the reason for the change. More information will be provided as we draw closer to the event.

Voting Results

1. Should the FFL remove Rule 31 (Speech & Interp Events Rules and Procedures) - Letter P.? The rule currently states " Students must bring the same selection to the State Championship that was qualified at the Regional Tournament. The penalty for violating this rule is disqualification."

Fails – The rule will remain in place

2. Should FFL amend Rule 30 (Speech & Interp Events - Rules & Procedures) and add POI as an official event to be offered at Varsity State? The league piloted this event during the 2017 season. For this event to remain a part of the FFL the league must vote this year on the status.

Passes – POI will be offered, but students will not be able to cross enter in POI and OI they must choose one or the other

3. Should FFL amend Rule 30 (Speech & Interp Events - Rules & Procedures) and add Informative (INF) as an official event to be offered at Novice State? The league piloted this event during the 2017 season. For this event to remain a part of the FFL the league must vote this year on the status.

Passes – INF will be offered at the 2018 Novice State Tournament

4. Should Rule 29 Public Forum Debate Rules - Letter B - be amended? The current wording states "The tabulation room will pair Public Forum Debate teams against each other while assigning sides in debate. A coin toss will determine which speech they would like to give (first or last)" If amended the rule will be updated to reflect that in Round 5 of Public Forum Debate teams should be permitted to not only flip a coin to determine which teams speaks first or last, but also flip for sides.

Passes – the 5th round of PFD will be flip for sides and speaking order

Use The Link Below To See The Results On Survey Monkey

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/results/SM-5JM7BMNX8/>