

FGCCFL Tournament Invitation
FGCCFL All Events 5
Sarasota Military Academy
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Saturday, 7 December 2024
Registration 7:15 – 7:45 AM
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Events: All NCFL Events. No double entries. No more than SIX entries per event, except Student Congress. No more than TWELVE entries in Student Congress. Lincoln-Douglas will use the **November/December 2024** LD topic. Public Forum will use the **November/December 2024** PF topic. Policy Debate will use the **2024-2025 NFHS Policy** topic.

Cost: \$30.00 per competitor including host/lunch fee PLUS an additional **\$10.00 lunch fee for each judge**. Fees can be paid via PayPal <@payfgccfl>, check for the full amount (payable to FGCCFL), or cash. All fees must be paid in full by the tournament's fourth round. Late payments are no longer accepted.

Food: The campus is closed (FGCCFL rule). No one may leave campus for lunch, and no one may have lunch delivered during tournaments. Lunches are automatically ordered for students and judges as part of registration; ONE complimentary lunch will be provided to each school for the head coach. **Lunch will be chicken, pasta with sauce options, salad, and cooked veggies. A vegetarian option will also be available without the need for ordering separately.**

Judging requirements: One (1) judge for every five (5) IE and Congress entries combined; schools with Congress entries must designate at least one Congress Scorer. One (1) judge for every two (2) LD and PFD entries combined; LD and PFD judges must be cross-trained. One (1) judge for each Policy entry. **COACHES: Do not count yourself in your judge quota as we must be able to use you where needed! All coaches should be prepared to serve as a Parliamentarian, supervise Extemp Prep, or judge if needed during the fourth round. Judges should be cross-trained in all events. Remember to list conflicts (by STUDENT FULL NAME) in the “Judge Notes” space on Tabroom.**

Electronic balloting: All events at this tournament will use Tabroom for electronic ballots. Judges must have a linked Tabroom account and provide a suitable connected device (laptop or tablet). Paper ballots will be available in the event of an equipment outage.

REGISTRATION FOR THE TOURNAMENT:

Go to <<http://fgccfl5.tabroom.com/>>. Be sure to register for the correct tournament. Registration must be submitted online by the school’s coach only. Registration will not be accepted once registration is closed or by any other means other than Tabroom unless directed to do so. Pay attention to your school registration for students, judges in correct pools, and total lunch orders.

Tabroom registration will close at noon on the Monday before the tournament. Please have registration confirmed before registering the team on Tabroom. **The registration deadline for this tournament is NOON on December 2, 2024.**

Coaches must set up their team and judge rosters on Tabroom before attempting to register. All students and judges must set up their individual Tabroom accounts.

TITLE REQUIREMENT FOR IE: Selection titles, authors, and publication information (where applicable) **must** be specified for all entries in OO, Dec, DP, OI, and Duo. For OI, please list the two program titles (separated by a slash) in the Title field, then list all included works in the Bibliography field.

Drops may be made online until 9 PM on Monday of tournament week. All other changes made after the close of registration, but before tournament day, must be reported to Jym Froelich by email at <James.Froelich@sarasotacountysschools.net>, and Josh Schneider at <josh@fgccfl.net>. Schools will forfeit registration fees for all drops made after the close of online registration on the Thursday before tournament week.

Please note: The Executive Committee **will** levy additional tournament fees of \$25.00 for any dropped entry on the tournament day including drops after the first round begins, and for each registered but missing judge.

Tournament Day Registration: 7:15 – 7:45

Only the team Head Coach or Assistant Coach should proceed through the registration line. Coaches should have invoice and registration forms printed from Tabroom and correct fees in check/large bills or paid online via the website.

SMA is a small campus and quite easily navigable, but all buildings will have clear signage in place and volunteer guides in uniform to assist participants. Head Coaches or Assistant Coaches should register in the media center in Windom, at the end of the inside hallway after entering via the breezeway (clearly indicated with signage). Competitors will report to the cafeteria, with spill-out space in the outdoor eating area. Judges will report to the gymnasium, which will be set up as a judges' lounge. Please bring a copy of registration from Tabroom and a check payable to FGCCFL (or cash), or a PayPal receipt from the League website.

Schools **MUST** be registered no later than 7:45 AM. Announcements for students and judges will begin at 8:00 AM. Rounds should begin by 8:30 AM.

CONGRESS RULES:

Each school registering Student Congress entries **MUST** provide at least one (1) piece of satisfactory legislation. Schools may submit up to six (6) items, but no student may sponsor more than one (1) item. **Congress entries will be waitlisted until at least one (1) item of legislation from the school has been submitted and approved.**

All legislation must be written using the templates on the FGCCFL website or on Tabroom and uploaded to Tabroom in Microsoft Word (.docx) format by the registration deadline (12:00 PM on the **Monday before the tournament**). Late, frivolous, stale, or unsatisfactory legislation will not be considered. The legislative docket and chamber assignments will be published by 8:00 PM on Monday evening, December 2.

RECOMMENDED: Coaches may email legislation to Josh Schneider <josh@fgccfl.net> for review; allow 48 hours for a response. This is NOT a substitute for uploading the legislation to Tabroom.

DIRECTIONS:

FROM I-75

Exit 210 at Fruitville. Take west to N. Orange Avenue until just before the intersection of N. Orange and 10th Street. Volunteers will be in place to guide traffic to either school parking or the JPL lot (indicated on map). Later arrivals will be more likely to have to park in the JPL lot, which is a walk of about a block and a half with no elevation change. Please notify the tournament's head coach if you, a student, or a judge need a space reserved with a shorter walk time; we will accommodate and plan as needed.

FROM TAMIAMI TRAIL (US-41)

Exit the roundabout at N. Orange. At the intersection of 10th Street and N. Orange, students will be in place to guide traffic to either school parking or the JPL lot (indicated on map). Later arrivals will be more likely to have to park in the JPL lot, which is a walk of about a block and a half with no elevation change. Please notify the tournament's head coach if you, a student, or a judge need a space reserved with a shorter walk time; we will accommodate and plan as needed.