

Tournament Guidelines
If you are watching a tournament for extra credit,
please be sure to follow these guidelines.

Behavioral Guidelines:

1. Don't enter a room if you are late. If you arrive at the room after the start time for that round, you are too late. **DO NOT ENTER!**
2. Don't critique speakers or teams in public. Never let them hear you speak badly about them.
3. Dress appropriately. Casual is fine, but don't be sloppy or inappropriate in your appearance.
4. Don't eat any food or drink any drinks you see put out on tables. They are for the competitors. They paid for it and desperately need it. Don't eat their food!
5. Turn your cell phones OFF during a round. Don't let it ring, buzz, or beep. Even vibrating sounds are too loud and distracting. **TURN IT OFF!**
6. Stay for the entire round. Do not leave until all speakers (or all debaters) have finished. Each round is about 1 hour long.
7. Feel free to ask questions after or in between rounds. Most people there, unless they are preparing for their next event, will likely be helpful in answering questions.
8. Be a good audience member. Sit up straight. Look at the speaker. Give appropriate nonverbal feedback (nod your head, laugh when appropriate, etc.).
9. Congratulate the speakers after the round. Give only positive feedback if you see them after the round. Never give negative feedback.

Steps to Earn Extra Credit:

1. You need to get judge's signatures for each round, to write down the names of the students, and need to write down the room number you were in. Use the Extra Credit Signatures document found in the online Doc Sharing folder to record this information.
2. You need to get a picture of yourself in front of the postings. These are the pieces of paper put up on a wall to show the competitors where and when they need to compete next. If you don't see a "postings" wall, then get a picture of the paper that shows where the students are competing in each round.
3. You need to write about 200 words of reaction for each round. This is just your reaction based on what you heard, what they talked about, what you liked and disliked
4. All of this is due the week after the tournament.