

DEBATE AND INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

Schools participating in the Debate and Individual Events program are divided into two classes. Class “AA” represents the SDHSAA member schools with an A.D.M. enrollment of 625 and above while Class “A” involves all other schools. Any member school wishing to participate can directly enter the State Tournament in any of the debate or individual events without the necessity of participating in a regional tournament.

The 2024 State Tournament marked the 98th year for Extemporaneous speaking competition, the 90th year of competition in Original Oratory, the 44rd year of Lincoln-Douglas Debate competition, the 4rd year of Informative Speaking, and 22st year of Public Forum Debate Competition.

STATE DEBATE & INDIVIDUAL EVENTS TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Watertown High School
March 1-2, 2024

STATE TOURNAMENT SWEEPSTAKES TEAM CHAMPIONS

(Based upon the total accumulated points earned by a school in each of the individual events and each of the debate divisions.)

CLASS “AA”

Champion Team – Aberdeen Central - Kerry Konda, Coach

Runner-Up Team – Sioux Falls Jefferson – Travis Dahle, Coach

Third Place Team – Brookings – Sally Pies, Coach

CLASS “A”

Champion Team – Spearfish - Bob Speirs, Coach

Runner-Up Team – Milbank – Kathy Tyler, Coach

Third Place Team – Bereford – Ann Tornberg, Coach



State Class “AA” Sweepstakes Team Champions Aberdeen Central High School
(Courtesy of SDPB)



State Class “A” Sweepstakes Team Champions Spearfish High School
(Courtesy of SDPB)

STATE "AA" STATE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

A-Lincoln Douglas

Semis

McKenzie Ritenour

from Lennox High School in South Dakota

Coached by Mike Larson

Semis

Sophie Matsuda

from Spearfish High School in South Dakota

Coached by Bob Speirs

2nd Place

Gunnar Geiken

from Lennox High School in South Dakota

Coached by Mike Larson

1st Place

Max Schuelke

from Milbank High School in South Dakota

Coached by Kathy Tyle

A-Public Forum

Quarters

Max Josko & Isabelle Beeson

from Beresford HS in South Dakota

Coached by Ann Tornberg

Quarters

Shane Spiering & Trixie Coalter

from Milbank High School in South Dakota

Coached by Kathy Tyler

Semis

Blake Hoogeveen & Anna Netjes

from Sioux Falls Christian in South Dakota

Coached by Rachel Hekman

Semis

Rachel Bryan & Brayden Karkalik

from Dakota Valley High School in South Dakota

Coached by Andrew Stewart

2nd Place

Will Scharf & Levi Taglioli

from Spearfish High School in South Dakota

Coached by Bob Speirs

1st Place

Donald Werner & Maddie Cross
from Spearfish High School in South Dakota
Coached by Bob Speirs

AA-Lincoln Douglas

Octos

Sophia Santos
from O’Gorman High School in South Dakota
Coached by Teresa Fester

Octos

Emily Huggins
from Harrisburg High School in South Dakota
Coached by Patrick Pope

Quarters

Savannah Kloster
from Washington HS in South Dakota
Coached by Michelle McIntyre & Angelica Mercado-Ford

Quarters

Landon Whittle
from Watertown High School in South Dakota
Coached by Scott Walker

Quarters

David Schlotte
from Aberdeen Central High School in South Dakota
Coached by Kerry Konda

Quarters

Martin Jones
from Sturgis Brown High School in South Dakota
Coached by Tamara Voight Megan Oviatt Beth Johnson Eric Johnson

Semis

Xander Hof
from Brookings in South Dakota
Coached by Sally Pies

Semis

Duer Tap
from Sioux Falls Jefferson HS in South Dakota
Coached by Travis Dahle & Shannon McMackin

2nd Place

Noah Johnson

**from O’Gorman High School in South Dakota
Coached by Teresa Fester**

**1st Place
Breanna Wollman
from Aberdeen Central High School in South Dakota
Coached by Kerry Konda**

AA-Public Forum

**Octos
McKenzie Berg & Brooklynn Mayland
from Harrisburg High School in South Dakota
Coached by Patrick Pope**

**Octos
Jagur Parks & Blixa Broussard
from Stevens High School in South Dakota
Coached by Charalet Dunnigan**

**Octos
Olivia Boerger & Grace Albertson
from Stevens High School in South Dakota
Coached by Charalet Dunnigan**

**Quarters
Rylan Johnson & Kaleb Ringgenberg
from Aberdeen Central High School in South Dakota
Coached by Kerry Konda**

**Quarters
Alex Shore & Albert Shore
from Brookings in South Dakota
Coached by**

**Quarters
Reagan Blackburn & Katelyn Ryan
from Aberdeen Central High School in South Dakota
Coached by Kerry Konda**

**Quarters
Aadil Ali & Claire Bockholt
from Harrisburg High School in South Dakota
Coached by Patrick Pope**

**Semis
Rebekah Kane & Angeth Mayen
from Sioux Falls Jefferson HS in South Dakota
Coached by Travis Dahle & Shannon McMackin**

Semis

Charley Stroh & Madison Johnson
from Washington HS in South Dakota
Coached by Michelle McIntyre & Angelica Mercado-Ford

2nd Place

Beneyam Hassen & Josiah Stolz
from Sioux Falls Jefferson HS in South Dakota
Coached by Travis Dahle & Shannon McMackin

1st Place

Emily Hua & Igen Nyawanda
from Brookings in South Dakota
Coached by Sally Pies

A-Informative Speaking

6th Place

Max Josko
from Beresford HS in South Dakota
Coached by Ann Tornberg

5th Place

Gavin Swier
from Lennox High School in South Dakota
Coached by Mike Larson

4th Place

Dana Chan
from Milbank High School in South Dakota
Coached by Kathy Tyler

3rd Place

Maria Eisenbraun
from Spearfish High School in South Dakota
Coached by Bob Speirs

2nd Place

Emma Andrews
from Beresford HS in South Dakota
Coached by Ann Tornberg

1st Place

Abbi Johnson
from Spearfish High School in South Dakota
Coached by Bob Speirs

A-International Extemp

6th Place

Shane Spiering

from Milbank High School in South Dakota

Coached by Kathy Tyler

5th Place

Laney Andrews

from Beresford HS in South Dakota

Coached by Ann Tornberg

4th Place

Jacob Chasing Hawk

from Vermillion High School in South Dakota

Coached by Garrett Adam

3rd Place

Donald Werner

from Spearfish High School in South Dakota

Coached by Bob Speirs

2nd Place

Levi Taglioli

from Spearfish High School in South Dakota

Coached by Bob Speirs

1st Place

Gunnar Geiken

from Lennox High School in South Dakota

Coached by Mike Larson

A-Original Oratory

6th Place

Emma Andrews

from Beresford HS in South Dakota

Coached by Ann Tornberg

5th Place

Sophie Matsuda

from Spearfish High School in South Dakota

Coached by Bob Speirs

4th Place

Jamie Bacon

from Tripp-Delmont in South Dakota

Coached by Adam Miller

3rd Place

Laney Andrews

**from Beresford HS in South Dakota
Coached by Ann Tornberg**

**2nd Place
Maddie Cross
from Spearfish High School in South Dakota
Coached by Bob Speirs**

**1st Place
Debbie Campbell
from Vermillion High School in South Dakota
Coached by Garrett Adam**

A-United States Extemp

**6th Place
Max Josko
from Beresford HS in South Dakota
Coached by Ann Tornberg**

**5th Place
Thomas Anglin
from Spearfish High School in South Dakota
Coached by Bob Speirs**

**4th Place
Will Scharf
from Spearfish High School in South Dakota
Coached by Bob Speirs**

**3rd Place
Max Schuelke
from Milbank High School in South Dakota
Coached by Kathy Tyler**

**2nd Place
Nina Jordre
from Vermillion High School in South Dakota
Coached by Garrett Adam**

**1st Place
Michael Daniels
from Dakota Valley High School in South Dakota
Coached by Andrew Stewart**

AA-Informative Speaking

**6th Place
Ashley Crouch**

**from Aberdeen Central High School in South Dakota
Coached by Kerry Konda**

**5th Place
Daisy Williams
from Aberdeen Central High School in South Dakota
Coached by Kerry Konda**

**4th Place
Lilly Heisinger
from Sturgis Brown High School in South Dakota
Coached by Tamara Voight Megan Oviatt Beth Johnson Eric Johnson**

**3rd Place
Brooklynn Bailey
from Mitchell High School in South Dakota
Coached by Madi Miller, Melissa Miller, Kaitlyn Huska**

**2nd Place
Paige Lewis
from O’Gorman High School in South Dakota
Coached by Teresa Fester**

**1st Place
Siyanne Redda
from Washington HS in South Dakota
Coached by Michelle McIntyre & Angelica Mercado-Ford**

AA-International Extemp

**6th Place
Aayush Mohapatra
from Sioux Falls Jefferson HS in South Dakota
Coached by Travis Dahle & Shannon McMackin**

**5th Place
Kaleb Ringgenberg
from Aberdeen Central High School in South Dakota
Coached by Kerry Konda**

**4th Place
Igen Nyawanda
from Brookings in South Dakota
Coached by Sally Pies**

**3rd Place
Martin Jones
from Sturgis Brown High School in South Dakota
Coached by Tamara Voight Megan Oviatt Beth Johnson Eric Johnson**

2nd Place

Madison Johnson

from Washington HS in South Dakota

Coached by Michelle McIntyre & Angelica Mercado-Ford

1st Place

Aadil Ali

from Harrisburg High School in South Dakota

Coached by Patrick Pope

AA-Original Oratory

6th Place

Damine Deen

from Washington HS in South Dakota

Coached by Michelle McIntyre & Angelica Mercado-Ford

5th Place

Meridian Hailu

from Sioux Falls Jefferson HS in South Dakota

Coached by Travis Dahle & Shannon McMackin

4th Place

Carla Garcia

from Aberdeen Central High School in South Dakota

Coached by Kerry Konda

3rd Place

Beneyam Hassen

from Sioux Falls Jefferson HS in South Dakota

Coached by Travis Dahle & Shannon McMackin

2nd Place

Aadil Ali

from Harrisburg High School in South Dakota

Coached by Patrick Pope

1st Place

Breanna Wollman

from Aberdeen Central High School in South Dakota

Coached by Kerry Konda

AA-United States Extemp

6th Place

Keller Wagemann

from Sioux Falls Jefferson HS in South Dakota

Coached by Travis Dahle & Shannon McMackin

5th Place

Hunter Scott

from Sturgis Brown High School in South Dakota

Coached by Tamara Voight Megan Oviatt Beth Johnson Eric Johnson

4th Place

Emily Hua

from Brookings in South Dakota

Coached by Sally Pies

3rd Place

Shawn Boehmer

from Mitchell High School in South Dakota

Coached by Madi Miller, Melissa Miller, Kaitlyn Huska

2nd Place

Noah Johnson

from O’Gorman High School in South Dakota

Coached by Teresa Fester

1st Place

David Schlote

from Aberdeen Central High School in South Dakota

Coached by Kerry Konda