



Palm Beach Catholic Forensic League

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The purpose of the PBCFL behavior guidelines is to ensure that all students maintain a level of professionalism and decorum in accordance with forensics, league activities, and school events. Since speech and debate tournaments are school-sponsored events, all school rules and regulations apply. Any infraction of these rules will result in consequences outlined by the student handbook. Additionally, the locations of our competitions are on school campuses and, therefore, all areas and materials must be respected and maintained accordingly. The following guidelines are to be adhered to by both competitors and observers.

1. Students must have a copy of their pieces with the ISBN information on them.
2. Students must follow NCFL/PBCFL internet connectivity rules while in rounds.
3. No sleeping during competition.
4. Students should be on task and engaged during competition rounds and sessions.
5. No gum, food or drinks (other than water) in competition areas.
6. Students may not leave the round/session for any reason other than an emergency. (A student may not leave to socialize, make phone calls, etc.)
7. “Visiting” other rooms during competition is prohibited.
8. No unnecessary talking or socializing during competition or awards ceremony.
9. Students should adhere to the “one clap” rule during the awards ceremony.
10. No outbursts, inappropriate or offensive comments/remarks about competition, schools, coaches or judges during the tournament at any time.
11. Students should not be at the check-in table during morning registration; coaches or designated school representative only at check in.
12. Students should be picked up or leave promptly after the tournament.
13. Students must remain in one central location with coach or school designated adult when waiting to be picked up after tournament.
14. No profanity.
15. No excessive public displays of affection.
16. No hate speech (which includes, but is not limited to offensive comments or language regarding religion, race, gender, sexual orientation, political affiliation, or disabilities).
17. Each PBCFL tournament is a closed campus. Leaving for any reason (lunch, etc.) during the course of the tournament day will result in disqualification from the tournament and consequences at their respective schools. Remember that local PBCFL tournaments are considered a school function - all school rules still apply.

STUDENT NAME (Please Print)

STUDENT SIGNATURE

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME (Please Print)

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