

Wyoming State Speech and Debate Tournament

2024 — Cheyenne, WY/US

The Wyoming High School Speech and Debate Association joined with the Wyoming High School Activities Association to successfully run the annual WY State Speech and Debate Tournament. Laramie County Community College in Cheyenne hosted the tournament March 7-9, 2024. The event saw 33 schools in attendance with over 459 individual entries.

In the 4A team sweepstakes, Cheyenne East earned the State Championship for the second year in a row. Cheyenne Central took the runner up position and Rock Springs High School followed in 3rd place.

In the 3A team sweepstakes, Riverton brought home the championship for the third year in a row. Green River and Jackson Hole followed behind in 2nd and 3rd place respectively.

In the 1A/2A team sweepstakes, Big Horn won the State Championship for the second year in a row. Hot Springs, Glenrock, Wright, & Greybull all tied for 2nd place while Burlington brought home 3rd place in the division.

Individual State Championships were awarded to the following competitors:

Melany Hernandez Garcia, Jackson Hole- Program Oral Interpretation

Clara Kerschner, Cheyenne East- Informative Speaking

Ashtin Griffin Crew & Aquinnah Wiblemo, Riverton- Duo Interpretation

Ryan Madsen and Izzy Hale, Rock Springs- Policy Debate

Aiden Hedrick, Thunder Basin- Lincoln Douglas Debate

Jack Artery & Tyson McMillion, Cheyenne South- Public Forum Debate

Dawson Fantin, Rock Springs- Drama Interpretation

Clarine Luzmoor, Rock Springs- Extemporaneous Speaking

Meredith Paul, Cheyenne Central - Original Oratory

Ayana Mejorado, Riverton- Congressional Debate

Maya McLaughlin, Riverton- Humor Interpretation

Corey Kennah, Green River- Poetry Interpretation

Six student ambassadors were selected at the tournament as well. An "ambassador" is special recognition signifying outstanding commitment not only to competition but the community of Wyoming speech and debate. Students receiving this prestigious award were Isabella Gomez from Powell, Melany Hernandez Garcia from Jackson Hole, Tyler Searfoss from Greybull, Jacob Castro from Riverton, Jackson Neishabouri from Jackson Hole, Lex Palkki from Campbell County, Gillette.

Coach of the season honors were also awarded to Joel Kuper of Greybull for 1A/2A Coach of the Season, Londe Gagnon of Jackson Hole for 3A Coach of the Season, and Katie Roberts of Star Valley for 4A Coach of the Season.

Although the Wyoming season now concludes with this tournament, teams in the state look forward to competing in the National Speech and Tournament this June in Des Moines, Iowa.



1A/2A State Champions- Big Horn High School



3A State Champions- Riverton High School



4A State Champions- Cheyenne East High School

Final Places

Cross Examination Debate

1st	Madsen & Hale	Rock Springs	Final
2nd	Mejorado & Olson	Riverton	Final
Semi	Tolle & Zacharias	Cheyenne East	Semi
Semi	Conaway & Lineberger	Cody	Semi

Final Places

Dramatic Interpretation

1st	Dawson Fantin	Rock Springs	4	0	2.5
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2nd	Allie Gilliatt	Powell	7	2	1.33
3rd	Oakley Simons	Cheyenne East	7	1	1.66
4th	Cristina Welch	Cheyenne East	14	0	0.65
5th	Matthew Alvarez	Big Horn	15	0	0.62
6th	Wyatt Miller	Cheyenne Central	16	0	0.59
Semis	Elizabeth Arcarese	Big Horn	13	2	0.75
Semis	Alyvia Hardy	Cheyenne East	11	0	0.83
Semis	Emmie Rambur	Big Horn	13	1	0.87
Semis	Tori Colwell	Worland	12	0	0.78
Semis	Danielle Johnston	Rawlins	14	0	0.7
Semis	Sidney Ward	Riverton	17	0	0.54

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Finals Results

Sec	Speaker	Code	Institution	J1 – Aaron Dalton	J1 – Melissa Stutz	J1 – Megan Haratyk
1	1st	AG Kerschner & Kerschner	Cheyenne East High School	3	1	5
1	2nd	AJ Griffin Crew & Wiblemo	Riverton High School	1	2	1
1	3rd	AZ Winstead & Miller	Cheyenne Central High School	2	5	4
1	4th	AY Garrison & Maurhoff	Big Horn High School	6	6	6
1	5th	AG Thompson & Woolsey	Cheyenne East High School	4	3	2
1	6th	AJ Heard & McLaughlin	Riverton High School	5	4	3

Final Places

Extemporaneous Speaking

1st	Clarine Luzmoor	Rock Springs	8	0	1.58
2nd	Anu Glennie	Cheyenne Central	9	0	1.08
3rd	Zoya Khan	Cheyenne Central	10	0	1.5
4th	Madisen Laird	Cheyenne Central	11	0	0.95
5th	Abbilene Odell	Cheyenne Central	12	0	0.9
6th	MaKynzee Bagshaw	Green River	13	0	1.34
Semis	Adelaine Schneider	Cheyenne South	14	2	0.7
Semis	James Leffers	Green River	11	1	0.86
Semis	Emma Johnson	Powell	14	1	0.67
Semis	Edison Havugimana	Laramie	13	0	0.87
Semis	Silas Chetterbock	Green River	15	0	0.62
Semis	Jackson Neishabouri	Jackson Hole	14	0	0.67

Final Places

Humorous Interpretation

1st	Maya McLaughlin	Riverton	5	0	2
2nd	Ashtin Griffin Crew	Riverton	6	0	1.83
3rd	Alyvia Hardy	Cheyenne East	9	0	1.53
4th	Austin Winstead	Cheyenne Central	12	0	0.78
5th	Addison Goodman	Cheyenne East	14	0	0.67
6th	Spencer Morrell	Green River	17	0	0.54
Semis	Jeremiah Bonano	Wright	12	0	0.75
Semis	Gabriel VanderPloeg	Greybull	10	0	1
Semis	Laural Kurth	Green River	15	0	0.6
Semis	Magdalene Byers	Worland	15	0	0.6

Final Places

Informative Speaking

1st	Clara Kerschner	Cheyenne East	6	0	2.25
2nd	Ella Goodman	Cheyenne East	8	2	1.25
3rd	Rosalie Zubrod	Cheyenne East	8	1	1.16
4th	Tori Lester	Natrona County	12	0	1.37
5th	Jacob Castro	Riverton	14	0	0.7
6th	Royce Lineberger	Cody	15	0	0.62
Semis	Mason Tollefson	Green River	13	0	0.89
Semis	Riley Walker	Riverton	13	2	0.73
Semis	Leah Griffiee	Kelly Walsh	14	0	0.72
Semis	Amelia Wind	Kelly Walsh	13	1	0.75
Semis	Taylee Olson	Riverton	15	0	0.62
Semis	Reuben McGuire	Cheyenne Central	16	0	0.59
Semis	Kendall Mills	Campbell County	18	0	0.51

Final Places

Lincoln-Douglas

1st	Aiden Hedrick	Thunder Basin	Final
2nd	Jeremiah Hawley	Buffalo	Final
Semi	Evan Dietz	Star Valley	Semi
Semi	Kaylee Noyes	Green River	Semi
Quarter	Gideon Partenheimer	Big Horn	Quarter
Quarter	Zoya Khan	Cheyenne Central	Quarter
Quarter	Cameron Marlowe	Jackson Hole	Quarter
Quarter	Gavin Robbins	Rock Springs	Quarter
Octofina	Rosalie Zubrod	Cheyenne East	Octofinal
Octofina	Rachel Schatz	Burlington	Octofinal
Octofina	Kevin Sullivan	Buffalo	Octofinal
Octofina	Silas Chetterbock	Green River	Octofinal
Octofina	Ayden Gilkey	Campbell County	Octofinal

Final Places

Original Oratory

1st	Meredith Paul	Cheyenne Central	3	0	3
2nd	Sadie Casey	Cheyenne East	10	0	1.17
3rd	Ellie Kerschner	Cheyenne East	11	0	1
4th	Emily Pivik	Cheyenne South	12	0	0.78
5th	Emma Golden	Cheyenne East	13	0	0.7
6th	Myriah Haratyk	Lander Valley	14	0	0.7
Semis	Leah Griffee	Kelly Walsh	13	2	0.7
Semis	Jillian Mascarenas	Rawlins	10	0	1.17
Semis	Justice Nelson	Worland	13	1	0.87
Semis	Lindsey Walker	Big Horn	11	0	0.86
Semis	Savery English	Green River	17	0	0.54
Semis	Kaylee Noyes	Green River	17	0	0.54

Poetry Interpretation

Finals Results

Sec	Speaker	Code	Institution	J1 – Catherine Kellick	J1 – Hillary Hardy	J1 – Estella Castillo- Garrison
1	1st	BB Bekalyn Swett	Green River High School	5	4	4
1	2nd	AN Melany Hernandez Garcia	Jackson Hole High School	1	5	2
1	3rd	BB Corey Kennah	Green River High School	6	1	1
1	4th	BH Audriana Mongiello	Douglas High School	2	2	6
1	5th	BL Ash Bennett	Rock Springs High School	4	3	5
1	6th	AT Dakota Simon	Evanston High School	3	6	3

Final Places

Program Oral Interpretation

1st	Melany Hernandez Garcia	Jackson Hole	7	0	2.2
2nd	Adriyanna Potter	Riverton	8	0	1.58
3rd	Solomon Henderson	Cheyenne East	10	0	1.17
4th	Aquinnah Wiblemo	Riverton	12	2	0.78
5th	Hallie Cozzens	Laramie	12	1	0.78
6th	Cadie Hood	Campbell County	14	0	0.84
Semis	Jeremiah Bear	Rock Springs	11	0	0.86
Semis	Corey Kennah	Green River	12	0	0.92
Semis	Aliye Carey	Laramie	14	0	0.65
Semis	Chloe Fitzgerald	Cheyenne East	14	0	0.7
Semis	Cadence Miller	Glenrock JR SR	16	0	0.57

Final Places

Public Forum

1st	Artery & McMillion	Cheyenne South	Final
2nd	Perriton & Fay	Cheyenne Central	Final
Semi	Cox & Morrow	Powell	Semi
Semi	Bennett & Luzmoor	Rock Springs	Semi
Quarter	Colling & Harper	Natrona County	Quarter
Quarter	Widi & Glennie	Cheyenne Central	Quarter
Quarter	Neishabouri & Neishabouri	Jackson Hole	Quarter
Quarter	Odell & Smedley	Cheyenne Central	Quarter
Octafina	Kurth & Swett	Green River	Octafinal
Octafina	Maez & Bagshaw	Green River	Octafinal