

How to enter your qualification methods for the TFL Tournament

Participants in the TFL State Tournament must qualify in one of three ways.

1. Earning a *BID* at **two** TFL sanctioned tournaments this year. (See list of qualifiers posted on TFL website.)
2. Earning four *LEGS* by participating in all rounds of **four** TFL sanctioned tournaments this year, regardless of placement.
3. Each TFL member school may designate **five** *WILD CARD* entries from their school. These students are entitled to automatic entry regardless of bids or legs or even how many tournaments they attended. New TFL member schools will receive **ten** “wild card” entries in their first year of competition in the league. A new member school is defined as a school that has never been a TFL member or was once a member but has not joined the league for the five consecutive years prior to the current year.

Exceptions: All Junior Varsity events (LD, PF, Congress, and Declamation) have open entry and are exempt from any qualification requirements. All competitors in the Junior Varsity division are guaranteed entry into the tournament as long as space and tournament caps permit. They will NOT be waitlisted as you register them unless a team or tournament cap has already been reached.

All Varsity or Open competitors will be automatically waitlisted until the TFL Bidkeepers and/or the TFL Chair can verify the qualification method. After doing so, the competitors will be taken off the waitlist and admitted into the tournament.

When registering on Tabroom, coaches will see a bid entry screen. Please see the examples below for details on how to enter each type of qualifier.

1. Students who earned two bids at a TFL sanctioned tournament. After checking the TFL bid spreadsheet online at <https://www.ncspeechanddebate.org/bid-list.html>, simply enter the tournament in which the bid was entered and the placement at that tournament. **TWO bids** are required to be accepted into the tournament, but feel free to list all bids that were earned during the season. That choice is yours. Although only one bid is shown in the example below, you must enter bids in both the Qualifier 1 and Qualifier 2 spaces to enter the tournament.

Qualifiers

1 Required

At-large applicant?

Qualifier	Tournament	Finish/Points
* Qualifier 1	<input type="text" value="North NeckLenburg"/>	<input type="text" value="1st"/>
Qualifier 2	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

2. Students who earned four legs by competing at four sanctioned tournaments during the year. Simply list each of the four tournaments in which the student competed and label each one Leg #1, Leg #2, etc. You may also optionally enter extra legs beyond the 4th leg, but this is not required. **Please note that each leg must have been in a Varsity or Open event and the student must have competed in the event in which they are registering.** For example, three tournaments in DI and one tournament in POI does not add up to four legs. All legs must be in the same event.

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At-large applicant?

Qualifier	Tournament	Finish/Points
* Qualifier 1	North Mecklenburg	Leg #1
Qualifier 2	Charlotte Catholic	Leg #2
Qualifier 3	Charlotte Latin	Leg #3
Qualifier 4	Durham Academy	Leg #4
Qualifier 5	Chase	Extra Leg
Qualifier 6		

3. Students who are being entered as one of your team’s five Wild Cards (or ten if you are a new school). This requires one additional step. First, **be sure to check the box that says “at-large applicant”** shown below. Then, under “Tournament,” don’t put a tournament name. Instead, **enter the name of your school** and whether the student is your 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, or 5th Wild Card entry. Please fill out the circled sections exactly as they are below, using your school name. In the example below, the person being entered is Asheville’s 5th of five Wild Cards. Please be sure to enter which of your Wild Cards the student is (1st-5th) so the bidkeepers can ensure that only the correct number of Wild Cards are accepted.

Qualifiers **1 Required**

At-large applicant?

Qualifier	Tournament	Finish/Points
* Qualifier 1	ASHEVILLE WILD CARD #5	WILD CARD
Qualifier 2		