

**Iroquois District Invitation**  
**March 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Woodstock Union High School**  
**100 Amsden Way**  
**Woodstock, VT**

**Important Dates:**

- February 19<sup>th</sup>      \*\*Deadline for booking hotel rooms under blocked room rate!
- March 8<sup>th</sup>            \* Congress bills and resolutions should be emailed to Kerry Bocko (kbocko@sayresd.org) so she can send out a bill packet for students to research ahead of time.
- March 15<sup>th</sup>            \* All students' tournament points must be entered online.  
                             \* All dues must be paid to the NSDA for student and school registration.  
                             \* Deadline for completing Registration on Tabroom.  
                             \* All paperwork should be postmarked by this date.
- March 16<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>    \* Email [kbocko@sayresd.org](mailto:kbocko@sayresd.org) with any last minute changes or updates to your registration.
- March 22<sup>nd</sup>            \* Deadline for District Student of the Year Application to be submitted.  
                             ([Submit SOY](#))
- March 22<sup>nd</sup>            \* Registration at Woodstock High School between 3:30 and 4:00 pm.  
                             \* The first three rounds will run from ~4:30~ 9:30
- March 23<sup>rd</sup>            \* Return to Woodstock High School by 8:30 am for competition to resume.  
                             \* Awards will take place ASAP, hopefully by 3 pm.

**Important Information:**

1. **Blocked Hotel Rooms:**

Quality Inn  
802-295-7600  
5817 Woodstock Rd  
Rt. 4  
Quechee, VT 05059  
\$100.00

\*\* Rooms blocked by Gordon Ladd

**\*Reservations must be made by February 14<sup>th</sup> to get the group rate.**

**Additonal Hotels:**

The Shire Woodstock  
Braeside

Phone # 802-457-2211  
Phone # 802-457-1366

## 2. Student Website Registration

- a. A new national rule was put in place that ALL students must register on the NFL website to be eligible to compete in district competition. Below is the message from Scott Wunn about how to complete this.
- b. ALL members will have to be registered.
- c. A gold star on your student report will appear by the students name once they have registered.

### d. Important Information from the Executive Director

#### Student Website Registration Requirement

- \* Beginning with the 2014-15 school year, only students officially registered as a member user on our website may compete in district competition.

**Please Note:** Allowing new member students who have not registered to compete at districts may jeopardize that student's qualification or alternate status and WILL affect the event entry count for the district. It is ESSENTIAL that the district committee confirm that all new students competing at the district tournament have registered on the website prior to the beginning of the district competition.

**If you need further instructions on registering these students, please contact Kerry Bocko.**

## 3. Tournament Registration

- a. We will be using Tabroom again this year. I am still working on setting this up and will send more detailed information ASAP!
- b. If you have never used Tabroom, please go to tabroom.com and set up an account for yourself.

## 2. Mailing Registration paperwork:

Sayre High School  
Attn: Kerry Bocko  
331 West Lockhart Street  
Sayre, PA 18840

### Be sure to include:

- a. Speech Event Entry forms
- b. Congress event entry forms
- c. Letters of Intent (This paperwork is for students who are double entered in any two events. This includes speech, debate or congress.)

## 3. Competitive Events offered ([Category Descriptions](#))

| <u>Speech</u>               | <u>Debate</u>  | <u>Student Congress</u> |
|-----------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Humorous Interp             | Lincoln-Douglas  | Senate                  |
| Dramatic Interp             | Public Forum   | House                   |
| Duo Interp                  |  |                         |
| Original Oratory            |  |                         |
| Informative                 | *Students may double enter in a speech and/or debate event. They may triple enter only if their third event is student congress. |                         |
| International Extemp        |  |                         |
| Domestic Extemp             |  |                         |
| Program Oral Interpretation |  |                         |

## 4. Congress:

- \* Please look over the NSDA website for information and details on congress. If your students can sign up for this event and speak once throughout the two days, it will benefit the district as a whole!

- \* If you would like to write a bill or resolution, please email it to Kerry Bocko ([kbocko@sayresd.org](mailto:kbocko@sayresd.org)) by February 15<sup>th</sup>.
- \* She will email bill packets prior to the tournament, so students have time to research.
- \* If you would like any help with this please feel free to email Julie Larnard-Newbury or Kerry Bocko.

## 5. Judges:

- \* All judges should have a general understanding of what each event is offered. We must place a certain number of judges in each event and follow strict guidelines to keep a pristine judging appearance. This means that ALL judges need to be able to judge any event. It is our goal to have judges in their comfort area, but we need everyone to be flexible.
- \* If you have any former students judging, the committee asks that they have at least one year between graduating and judging at the district level. (Anyone who graduated in 2017 is not eligible to judge at this tournament.)
- \* Please try to fill your judge's quota, we all know the # of judges available can make or break a tournament.
- \* If you have any extra adults who will be with you, we would appreciate their names so we can use them as extra judges if needed.

## 6. National Qualifiers

Speech and Debate events: As long as there are 4 entries in the event then our district is eligible to send ONE students or ONE teams to the national tournament.

Senate: Our district is eligible to send two senators to the national tournament.

House: We will have one chamber and be able to send TWO representatives.

## 7. District Student of the Year

- \* Each school can nominate one senior to be eligible for the district student of the year.
- \* A team of judges will be assigned to analysis the applications and choose the district student of the year.
- \* The application for this process can be found on the NFL website and must be returned to Kerry Bocko by February 21<sup>st</sup>.

## 8. Team Strength

- a. Only students who have earned a minimum of 25 points and who have registered on the NSDA website (have a gold star by their name) may be entered.
- b. Please be sure to have all tournament points entered no later than Friday March 10<sup>th</sup>, only points entered at least one week prior to the start of the district tournament can be honored.
- c. Check your team strength in the 'manage schools' section, after all points have been entered. The chart below shows how many people you are able to bring to districts, depending on your team strength.

| Members and Degrees (Strength) | Speech, Lincoln-Douglas, Policy, and Public Forum Entries Allowed |
|--------------------------------|---|
| 1-15                           | 4   |
| 16-20                          | 6   |
| 21-30                          | 10  |
| 31-40                          | 12  |
| 41-50                          | 15  |
| 51-60                          | 16  |
| 61-70                          | 18  |
| 71-80                          | 21  |
| 81-90                          | 23  |
| 91-100                         | 24  |
| 101-120                        | 27  |
| 121-140                        | 29  |
| 141-160                        | 32  |
| 161-180                        | 33  |
| 181-200                        | 34  |
| 201-230                        | 35  |
| 231-260                        | 37  |
| 261-300                        | 38  |
| 301-350                        | 39  |
| 351-400                        | 40  |
| 401-500                        | 42  |
| 501-600                        | 43  |
| 601 +                          | 44  |

| Members and Degrees (Strength) | Senate Entries Allowed | House Entries Allowed |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1-20                           | 2                      | 2                     |
| 21-35                          | 2                      | 3                     |
| 36-55                          | 2                      | 4                     |
| 56-75                          | 2                      | 5                     |
| 76-100                         | 2                      | 6                     |
| 101-150                        | 2                      | 7                     |
| 151-200                        | 2                      | 8                     |
| 201-250                        | 2                      | 9                     |
| 251-300                        | 2                      | 10                    |
| 301-350                        | 2                      | 11                    |
| 351-400                        | 2                      | 12                    |
| 401 +                          | 2                      | 13                    |

View a team's strength on the School Profile page:

The screenshot shows a web interface with a left sidebar and a main content area. The sidebar has three sections: 'Reports' (with links for Search Records and Membership Reports), 'Schools' (with links for NSDA Test HS, School Profile, School Roster, Enter Points, School Purchases, School Finances, and District Info), and 'Quick Links' (with links for Latest Rostrum, Latest Newsletter, and NSDA Store). The 'School Profile' link is highlighted. The main content area is titled 'School Profile' and includes a 'View Roster' button. It lists various school attributes: Primary Advisor, School Level, District, NSDA #, NCES #, Active status, Resource Package, Charter status, Autobill 25+ pts, Balance, Strength (108, highlighted with a red arrow), Degrees This Year, and Degrees Last Year.