

November 2018

Dear Colorado Speech Coaches,

You are cordially invited to Frederick High School's forensics spectacular, FredFest, on Saturday, December 1st!

"FredFest" will feature FESTIVAL events and event line-up, with the addition of Student Congress. Colorado Festival and Tournament schools are welcome to participate. See the CHSAA site to view rules/ballots. For this meet we will be using an alternating "wave" format of events (A event, B event, A event...)

## **A EVENTS**

Dramatic Interpretation
Humorous Interpretation
Poetry Interpretation
Original Oratory
Extemp – See topics below
One-on-One Value Debate
Creative Storytelling
Congress – A Wave

## **B EVENTS**

Public Forum Debate—See topic below Lincoln Douglas Debate – See topic below Duo Interpretation Program of Oral Interpretation Informative Speaking Impromptu Speaking Congress – B Wave

**REGISTRATION**: Students may enter one "A" event and one "B" event. No doubling within the same wave at the moment, however keep an eye on the Tabroom info page; I will post updates there if this changes. I am still working to find the setting to allow competitors to double (or triple) enter within a wave, with the exceptions of Extemp and all Debates. PF and LD debaters should be aware that they **may have limited prep time** if entered in either Extemp or One-on-One, and are **encouraged** to pick a different A-Wave event. Please register via **Tabroom.com** by **Wednesday**, **November 28**<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM. Enter the <u>names of students</u> who are competing in these events no later than <u>Friday</u>, <u>November 30th</u>. If you have difficulty registering, mail me ASAP, and I can manually enter registrations.

At this time there will be a limit of FOUR entries per school, per event, with a maximum of 5 students per school in each wave of Congress. I will accept registrations until we're full, so I strongly encourage you to get your entries in as soon as you can. Entries beyond the event caps will be waitlisted. If you need more entries, contact me after Wednesday the 28th and I will see what I can do based on room availability.

Registration is \$8.00 per student, \$16.00 per duo or PF team, and \$6.00 for Student Congress. Please bring a check for fees on the day of the meet. Checks should be made payable to **Frederick High Debate and Forensics**. Additions made after 5 PM on Wednesday, November 28th will be on a space-available basis and may result in additional entry fees. After this time, additional entries will increase the total fees due, however dropped entries will not be refunded.

## **TOPICS** and **LEGISLATION**:

The PF debate topic for this tournament will be the November/December NSDA topic – Resolved: The United States federal government should impose price controls on the pharmaceutical industry.

The LD debate topic for this meet will be the November/December NSDA topic -- Resolved: In a democracy, the public's right to know ought to be valued above the right to privacy of candidates for public office.

Extemp topics will be a mixture of national, international, and potentially *pop culture* topics.

Student Congress legislation (max. 2/school) should be submitted to me by Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. (Guess what I'll be doing on Thanksgiving!) I will post legislation on Tabroom a week prior to FredFest.

**JUDGES:** We have a very limited local judging pool. To help ensure we have enough judges to make this a good experience for your students, please provide one qualified adult judge for every 6 event entries and one for every TWO debate entries. Have (or help) your judges enter their names on Tabroom. This is a BIG step because it can make the meet go <u>so</u> much more quickly. There will be a brief judge meeting at 7:40, and I encourage you to direct your judges to the NSDA site for more information. (www.speechanddebate.org/judge-training/)

**FOOD:** There are no fast food restaurants within a couple of miles. (<u>AVOID</u> the McDonalds at Hwy 52 & I-25...they can be *s-l-o-w*!) We will have a concession stand open throughout the day. For breakfast there will be fresh fruit, doughnuts, and more, and we will offer pizza and other hot lunch options for students. Because it's winter there will be plenty of hot drinks, too! Please remind your students to bring a bit of extra money for snacks – **small bills are appreciated!** Food and beverages will be provided for coaches and judges.

## **SCHEDULE** for the day will be as follows:

Please be on time for registration or your draw students may receive less time for their first round prep. If your student needs to leave a round early in order to make draw for their next event, have them inform the judge. I realize this is a very ambitious schedule... what will hold us back is not having enough judges, so **BRING JUDGES!** 

Registration: 7:00-7:45 CST, Extemp, and 1-on-1 Draw: 7:45 Round 1 – A events: 8:00 Round 1 – B events: 9:30 CST, Extemp, and 1-on-1 Draw: 10:45 Round 2 – A events: 11:00 Round 2 – B events 12:30 CST, Extemp, and 1-on-1 Draw: 1:45 Round 3 – A events: 2:00 Round 3 – B events: 3:30

Awards to follow as quickly as possible – Can we cross our fingers for 5:30?

**AWARDS**: Awards will be presented to the top 6 competitors or teams in each event and the top two plus P.O. in Congress. Honorable mentions will also be awarded where appropriate.

We are excited to be hosting the first FredFest in five years and look forward to your participation. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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