Rocky Mountain North District Tournament * National Qualifiers *

To: Rocky Mountain North NFL Schools and Interested Affiliates

From: Sarah French, District Chair & the NSDA committee (Angela Smith & Kristina Getty)

Date: January 23rd, 2019

RE: RMN NSDA Nat Quals, registration and tournament changes & deadlines

I realize that many of us are gearing up for Districts, State Festival, & the State Speech Tournament, but it is also time to start thinking about the National Qualifying Tournament. Please take the time to carefully review all the enclosed material and pay particular attention to all deadlines and required forms.

Registration & documents are due to Sarah French by 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, February 16th. Your checks need to be sent to Angela Smith @ Resurrection Christian BUT made payable to Rocky Mountain North NSDA. In a perfect world, I would love it if you could hand me your MATERIALS and your PAYMENT to Angela Smith at CHSAA Districts on February 9th.

Rocky Mountain North NSDA District Tournament will be held at four locations:

<u>Speech Events</u> - Saturday, February 24th at Resurrection Christian School

<u>Debate & Big Questions</u> - Friday, March 1 through Saturday, March 2 at Fossil Ridge HS

<u>Congressional Debate</u> - Saturday, April 6th at Holy Family HS

Read Me:

PLEASE read this a packet of information regarding the tournament. *Make sure you have read and understand all of the guidelines for the tournament*. Please review both this reminder as well as the CURRENT information on the NSDA website.

There are also links to all important documents on our registration website: http://rockymountainnorth.tabroom.com

MANY questions can be answered in this document or on the websites. If you still have questions after you have read all of the items, email me at sfrench@greeleyschools.org. If I don't know the answer I'll call the national office.

Registration:

- 1. We will use TABROOM.COM to register.
- 2. Review the Powerpoint I sent out regarding the registration process.
 - 1. You will need to log on to tabroom.com (or create a new account).
 - 2. From there, scroll down, find and click: "Rocky Mountain North NSDA District" on 2/24/19

Financial Notes:

- 1. Remember that you must have all dues and student memberships paid to the NSDA before the tournament begins.
- 2. Make plans to get your fees for this district tournament IN WITH YOUR REGISTRATION by 2/17/18. I need to have the \$\$ in advance in order to have cash to pay judges.
- 3. Make your checks payable to:

Rocky Mountain North NSDA.

4. Mail Payment and Entry Fees to:

Resurrection Christian School % Angela Smith 6508 E Cross Roads Blvd, Loveland, CO 80538

Entry fees:

- 1. Single person event = \$20
- 2. Team event = \$40

Entries & Quotas:

- 1. Please remember that Duo, Cross-Examination Debate, and Public Forum Debate count as one entry. Students who are entered in any of the team events (Duo, Public Forum, Policy Debate) may also be double entered in a single event (including congress) as per our district policy. However, students who are doubled in a team event and an individual event and who happen to qualify in both events must attend the national tournament in the team event.
- 2. Remember to get your NSDA points recorded before 2/16 so they count towards your total team degrees for the district tournament quota allowances. With the online system, your members and degrees will need to be updated via tabroom.com. Simply resync your tabroom roster with the NSDA via your tabroom dashboard.
- 3. Entries in the District Tournament are based on members and degrees on record at the National Office as of one week prior to those events. Thus, only those students who are members of NSDA prior to February 16, 2019 can participate in the District Tournament.
- 4. I HIGHLY recommend filling in the alternate spots on your entry form in case you have to swap somebody drop due to illness, disciplinary issues, etc.

In case you may have forgotten about, or are unfamiliar with, the up/down procedure at this tournament, here's a reminder:

- · Each student is guaranteed only two rounds of competition.
- · At any time that a student has two downs, he/she is eliminated from the tournament. A down is defined as a loss (in debate) or placing 4th, 5th, 6th, or 7th in a round of five or seven. (In a round of four placing 3rd or 4th would be a "down.") ... Questions? Please ask.
- · In events, rounds continue until we have seven or fewer competitors; at that point, we would have a final round.
- · Please read your manuals and bring them with you (especially in the debate areas) for the full range of procedural instructions

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