2019 KHSSL Northern Regionals

Dear Coaches,



As your regional manager, I am excited to host the KHSSL Northern
Regional Tournament again this year! Here are important details about the
tournament. Please read through this information carefully, and let me know if you have any questions or
concerns.

LOGISTICS:

• Tournament date:

- o Saturday, February 2, 2019
- Snow-out date is Saturday, February 9, 2019. (For your planning purposes, if we have to use the snow-out date, the tournament will run from 1:30 pm 6:30 pm due to scheduling conflicts at our school. Just a heads-up!)

• Tournament location:

 The tournament will be held at Beechwood Elementary and High Schools (one connected building) located at 54 Beechwood Road, Fort Mitchell, KY 41017.

Parking/entry:

 All competitors and busses should park in the elementary parking lot and enter through the main elementary doors.

• Check-in on tournament day:

On tournament morning, check-in will take place in "The Commons" - the theatre space near
the cafeteria. There, you will get all of your important information for the day. (Student
volunteers will help you get to the right location.)

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

• Registration location:

All entries should be entered at http://northernregionals.tabroom.com

• Number of entries allowed:

- Schools may enter no more than three students in each event.
- Individual students may enter up to three events.

• Registration deadlines:

- Registration will open at the website linked above on Saturday, January 5, 2019.
- All entries should be submitted by Saturday, January 26, 2019. (Registration deadline)
- All drops or changes must be made by Thursday, January 31, 2019 by 5:00 PM. (Final deadline).
- Each school's entries will be frozen on Thursday, January 31, 2019 after 5:00 PM.

Registration fees:

• Entry fees for the regional tournament are \$6.00 per individual entry and \$12.00 per duo entry.

JUDGE INFORMATION:

<u>Judge fees:</u>

- Each school must provide one judge for each six entries or fraction thereof that are entered in the tournament. Schools failing to fill judging obligations will be charged \$65 per judge required.
- Schools may only pay for ONE hired judge at the regional tournament.

• <u>Judge training:</u>

- It is the responsibility of the coach to ensure that all judges are properly trained in KHSSL rules prior to the regional tournament. Please see the KHSSL handbook for specifics.
- No formal judge training will be offered at the regional tournament.
- Please make sure that your judges are aware that they might be judging either junior high or senior high events.

PAYMENT:

- Please bring all fees to the regional tournament. Make checks payable to KHSSL.
- Please note that teams that have not yet paid KHSSL dues for the year will not be permitted to compete unless payment is made prior to the start of the regional competition.

ADDITIONAL "NUISANCE" FEES:

- The regional tournament has some nuisance fees to note. **All nuisance fees listed below should be made payable to the tournament host, in this case, Beechwood High School.** (See the KHSSL Handbook for further clarification, https://khssl.files.wordpress.com/2018/10/2018-2019-khssl-handbook.pdf)
 - Substitutions between the registration deadline and the final deadline are free.
 - Drops and adds between the registration deadline and the final deadline carry the entry fee as a cost.

- Substitutions after the final deadline but before the arrival on-site for the regional tournament carry a \$5 fee.
- Substitutions on arrival at the regional tournament carry a \$25 fee.
- Drops after the final deadline, but before arrival on-site for the regional tournament are
 \$10 plus the entry fee.
- Drops on arrival for the regional tournament are \$50 plus the entry fee.
- Judge name changes after the final deadline, but before arrival on-site for the regional tournament are free.
- Judge name changes on arrival are \$10.
- Judge drops after the registration deadline are \$100, plus hired judge fees for the shortage.
- In addition, if a judge drop leads to a school not covering its judging obligation, the school's entries may be reduced, but the school will still owe all entry fees. The point is, don't drop judges!

IMPORTANT REGIONAL RULES / EXEMPTIONS:

- Please note that KHSSL has made some changes in the past few years regarding Regionals and State. The highlights of these changes include the following. (*Again, please see the KHSSL Handbook for further clarification, https://khssl.files.wordpress.com/2018/10/2018-2019-khssl-handbook.pdf*)
 - Speech schools MUST compete at regionals in order to compete at the state tournament.
 - No school may enter MORE entries at the state tournament than they did at their regional tournament, but the distribution of entries at both tournaments are up to the coaches.
 - A few students may need exemptions from the regional tournament per the new state tournament Rule 3. Coaches should apply directly to Steve Meadows, the KHSSL Board Chair at steve.meadows@danville.kyschools.us, for those exemptions. Mr. Meadows will notify you and the regional manager of exemptions that have been granted.
 - Exempt students are to be entered in the regional tournament as the coach sees fit, so the entries
 for exempt students count toward the school entry fee, but after producing the invoice, those
 entries will be dropped for regional tournament scheduling purposes. Only the entry fee is
 charged, no drop fee.

SCHEDULE:

(Please note that Junior and Senior Divisions will run simultaneously.)

7:00 am - 7:45 am Check-in located in "The Commons" - the theatre space near the cafeteria
8:00 am Opening Assembly for students, coaches, and judges in the cafeteria

8:00 am	Extemp Draw
8:30 am	Round I
9:30 am	Extemp Draw
10:00 am	Round II
12:00 pm	Run-off rounds as necessary (sooner if possible)
1:00 pm	Awards in the Cafeteria (sooner if possible)

AWARDS:

- A Regional Champion and a Regional Runner-up will be named in all events.
- In the event of a tie for either Regional Champion or Regional Runner-up, ties will be broken in the following ways according to the KHSSL Handbook page 62.
 - Lowest composite rank
 - Highest reciprocal composite
 - Highest total rating points
 - If there is still a tie after these three methods have been exhausted, then we will hold a run-off round in that particular event with one judge. That one judge will determine the Regional Champion and/or Runner-up, as the case may be.
- The top three schools in both the Junior and Senior divisions will be awarded sweepstakes trophies.

FOOD:

- A hospitality room will be available for coaches, judges, and bus drivers.
- A concession stand will be available for students to purchase snacks throughout the day.
- Students may pre-order one of two meals on competition day. All meals MUST be purchased before 8:30 am in the cafeteria. We will not have extra meals available.
 - Cheese Pizza Meal: Two slices of cheese pizza, chips, and a drink for \$6.00.
 - Pepperoni Pizza Meal: Two slices of pepperoni pizza, chips, and a drink for \$6.00.

WHAT TO BRING ON COMPETITION DAY:

 Broadcasters need two copies of their round two prepared script - one for the judge and one for themselves.

- Competitors in Original Oratory and Informative Speaking should turn in one copy of their speeches with a signature page attached showing both the student and coach signatures reflecting it is the student's own work.
- A check made out to KHSSL for registration fees.
- Money or a check made out to Beechwood High School for nuisance fees.

I'm looking forward to a great day of competition and camaraderie with you and your students. If you have any questions or need clarification, please let me know; I'm always happy to help you. I can't wait to see you in February!

Sincerely,

Ms. Molly Seifert

Beechwood High School 513-325-8654 (cell) molly.seifert@beechwood.kyschools.us