



MORRISTOWN WEST 32ND CHESTNUT TREE INVITATIONAL

Dear Speech and Debate Coach:

On behalf of the Morristown West Speech and Debate team, we invite you and your team to the 32nd annual Chestnut Tree Invitational Tournament for **Saturday, November 2nd**. The Tournament will consist of competition in Public Forum Debate, 12 Speech events, and, new this year, Congressional Debate.

Make sure ALL of your judges bring a laptop, tablet, or phone to the tournament as we will be doing online ballots with Tabroom this year. Make sure your judges are linked to your Tabroom account.

In addition, we are pleased to announce that **The Chestnut Tree Invitational** will be a Tournament of Champions Bid Tournament.

We are also pleased to announce that the tournament will be located at the beautiful **Walters State Community College** campus in Morristown.

For postings, entries, information, and the invitation, go to <http://mowest.tabroom.com>

The information provided within this invitation should answer any questions that you may have about our tournament. If you need additional assistance, please email me at terryc@hcboe.net or text me at (423) 736-3660.

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We look forward to seeing many of our old friends,
and making new ones.

Sincerely,
Suzanne Terry



Events

Speech Events Students will be limited to entering a maximum of three events, save for competitors in Extemporaneous speaking; they will only be allowed to double. Students doing Public Forum Debate will only be allowed to debate.

The following events will be offered:

- Dramatic Interpretation
- Duet Acting
- Duo Interpretation
- Extemporaneous Speaking
- Humorous Interpretation
- Improvisational Duet Acting
- Informative Speaking
- Original Oratory
- Poetry
- Program Oral Interpretation
- Prose
- Novice Reading (**Freshmen and middle school students only**)
- Storytelling
- Public Forum Debate
- Congressional Debate

Registration

Registration costs are

- \$25.00 per school entry fee.
- \$8.00 per individual event.
- \$16.00 per Duo/Duet/PDF team.

Registration will be accepted through **Friday, October 26th** through the Tabroom.com website.

Drops and adds will be accepted until noon on **Wednesday, October 31st**.

After that time they will be charged the **Entry fee plus a \$10.00 nuisance fee**.

Any dropped judges **on the day of competition** will warrant a **\$50.00** fee.

There will be a fee of **\$30.00** for each six uncovered judging slots or fraction thereof.

Teams should bring one judge for every two Public Forum Debate teams, and every five Speech entries. We strongly encourage judges stay for ALL rounds of the tournament.

Judging Requirements

Food

Food will be available all day for the competitors to purchase. Please do not bring food items from other vendors as this is our major fundraising event of the year. This also includes coolers along with other closed containers. There will be lots of great food in the Judge's Lounge for judges and coaches.

Housing

There are several hotels in the area for any teams wishing to arrive a day early:

- Holiday Inn Express: 423-307-1111 ***our top pick
- Hampton Inn Morristown: 423-5870952
- Comfort Suites: 423-585-4000
- Ramada: 423-587-2200
- Best Western Plus Morristown Conference Center: 423-587-2400
- Super 8: 423-318-8888

Schedule

Individual Events

8:00am **OPENING**
8:30am **ROUND 1**

Public Forum Debate

8:00am **OPENING**
8:30am **ROUND 1**

10:00am ROUND 2
11:30am ROUND 3
3:00pm FINALS

10:00am ROUND 2
11:30am ROUND 3
1:00 ROUND 4

AWARDS WILL BEGIN ASAP

****Public Forum breaks are posted as soon as possible;
please stand by.****

****Refreshments will be available between rounds, and
lunch will be available after 11:30. Please stay on
campus to eat so we can maintain our schedule. ****