North Allegheny Speech and Debate

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You are invited to the North Allegheny tournament that will take place <u>January 11 2020</u>.

Events that are offered are the official National Speech and Debate Association events - Policy Debate, Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Public Forum Debate, Congress, International Extemp, US Extemp, Original Oratory, Dramatic Interpretation of Literature, Humorous Interpretation of Literature, Duo Interpretation of Literature, POI and Informative. We are also offering parliamentary debate. Prose and poetry will be offered as one event in alternating rounds.

In extemp—We are going to draw for rounds 1 and 2 and the students will repeat their 1st round speech in 3rd round. The students will draw again for rounds 4 and 5.

We will merge HI and DI if our numbers are low. We will merge International and US if our numbers are low.

There is no limit to the number of students you can bring in each event. We will open a third building if needed.

We are not charging a fee for your students—UNLESS THEY DROP. The drop fee is \$10 per student. (Unfortunately, by not charging a registration fee, students may think that it is easy to drop from the tournament. Schools should remind students that the drop fee will be imposed, and students originally registered, not by the number of students who actually come to the tournament).

<u>Judging requirements</u> so that we can attempt to single flight as often as possible are as follows: (Basically, in debate, the quota is one judge for two slots PLUS ONE. Speech is one for five, PLUS ONE)

Lincoln-Douglas 2 judges for one or two debaters

3 judges for three or four 4 judges for five or six

Public Forum 2 judges for one or two teams
Policy and 3 judges for three or four
Parliamentary 4 judges for five or six

Big Questions PER EVENT

Congress / Speech 2 judges for 1 to 5

3 judges for 6 to 10 4 judges for 11 to 15

Note: Judges may be moved around to help the tournament move along

#Enter students in preferential order. We drop students who don't have the required judges at noon on 1/10.

REGISTRATION WILL BE ON www.tabroom. Registration will close on <u>January 9 at noon</u>.

The first two rounds of debate will be pre-scheduled. Rounds after that are power-paired. We have to single flight the rounds—and we are hoping for seven rounds so meeting your judging requirements is a must. Speech will have up to five random rounds and a final. We are not expecting to have a final in Extemp.

** Schools with judges who release results or hold up the tournament are subject to disqualification. Again, we are hoping to get in five or six rounds today! You will leave here exhausted and full of the speech and debate spirit!

<u>Lunch</u> tickets will be sold in the morning – plan for the lunches to cost \$5. The parents will have snacks for sale during the day.

Results after the tournament will be emailed to the district committee to post online.

Registration is from 7:30 – 7:45 a.m. Extemp prep and debates start at 8:00 Please call in drops on your way to the tournament to 412.298.1802.

Trophies are awarded for the following:

Congress - Outstanding and Superior Speakers for the day

Individual events and debate – top 5 or 6 in each. Events that have fewer than 10 entries will have awards for the top 3. Right now, we are planning to only give 3 in parlie, policy, POI, Big Questions and Informative and we will order more if needed. That may change based on registration.

Sweepstakes award based on each school's top two individuals / teams in each event that has 4 or more school teams represented. You do not need to submit sweepstakes entries. We will offer a small school award as well as a large school award. These awards are based on the size of your high school and not the size of your team.

TAKE NOTE—We will have two shuttles to and from our Intermediate School for debate. Please check in at the high school and take the shuttles after check-in.

We are collecting items for Crisis Center North.

Crisis Center North is a domestic violence center that provides free and confidential services to survivors and their children with case management, legal assistance, and counseling.

Items that we are collecting: Laundry Soap, Dryer Sheets, Deodorant, Feminine Hygiene Products, Shampoo and Conditioner, Household Cleaning Supplies, Toilet Paper and Paper Towels.

Note that everything must be new and unopened. Remember that many of these people—primarily women with children—are often on the run and in hiding. These items give them dignity so that they can live as normal of a life as possible during a very difficult transitional time for them.

We will also have one or two baskets with raffle tickets for sale so that we can give CCN a monetary donation as well.

WE ARE RUNNING THE PITTSBURGH DISTRICT BIG QUESTIONS TOURNAMENT AT THE SAME TIME AS OUR TOURNAMENT. Schools coming in from out of town, I apologize that we will not be offering BQ as a regular event.

North Allegheny Expected Schedule 11 January 2020

7:30—7:45 am Registration in main office

Head coaches only, please.

Purchase lunch tickets in the building where you are competing!!!

8:00 Extemp draw

Judging instructions for debate / speech /

Congress

8:00 Round 1—All debate events

Round 1– All speech events except extemp

All rounds should move along as soon as they are done. Eat when you can when lunch arrives! Our goal is to get both quality and quantity today!

8:30 Round 1—Extemp Rd 1 8:30 Congress—Session 1

4:30 Short Awards Assembly

A student not in a final round is expected to observe a final round.