



October 2019

Dear Colorado Speech Coaches,

You are cordially invited to Frederick High School's Ugly Tie Invitational on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019!

**"FredFest – Ugly Tie Invitational"** is an homage to the coaches *back in the day* (my days of competing), who seemed to try and outdo one another in terms of wearing the most outrageous neckties during tournaments. For this meet, registered competitors and coaches will each receive a suitably hideous tie, the wearing of which is encouraged, but totally optional, and coaches are especially encouraged to show off their own unique flair. The Ugly Tie Invitations will feature **FESTIVAL** events and event line-up, including Student Congress and with the addition of FredFlash Debate. (See event rules on event page) 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  
FredFlash Debate  
Congress – B Wave

**REGISTRATION:** Students may enter one "A" event and one "B" event. No doubling within the same wave at the moment, however I will post an updated invite to Tabroom if this changes. I am still working to find the setting to allow competitors to double enter within a wave in Events, Congress, and FredFlash. Extemp competitors and One-on-One debaters should be aware that they ***may have limited prep time*** if entered in either PF or LD, and are *encouraged to pick a different B-Wave event*. Please register via [Tabroom.com](http://Tabroom.com) by Wednesday, December 4th at 9 PM. If you have difficulty, 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 unlimited 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 4th and I will see what I can do based on room availability.

Registration is \$10.00 per student, \$20.00 per duo or PF team, and \$8.00 for Student Congress. Checks should be made payable to **Frederick High Debate and Forensics** and sent to Frederick HS, c/o Jada Petersen. Additions made after 9 PM on Wednesday, December 4th will be on a space-available basis. 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 benefits of the United States federal government's use of offensive cyber operations outweigh the harms.***

The LD debate topic for this meet will be the November/December NSDA topic -- ***Resolved: The United States ought to eliminate subsidies for fossil fuels.***

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

**Student Congress legislation (max. 3/school) should be submitted to me by Wednesday, November 27th<sup>t</sup>.**  
***Please review your student legislation submissions for proper formatting and reasonable content.*** I'll post legislation templates on Tabroom, and will post a final docket on Tabroom the 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. Register and enter judge names on Tabroom. This is a BIG step because it can make the meet go so 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 judging information. ([www.speechanddebate.org/judge-training/](http://www.speechanddebate.org/judge-training/))

**FOOD:** There are few fast food restaurants within a couple of miles. (AVOID 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 with the way Tabroom has been (mis)behaving... what will most hold us back is not having enough judges, so **BRING JUDGES!***

Registration:	7:00-7:45
Extemp and 1-on-1 Draw:	7:30
CST Draw	7:45
Round 1 – A events:	8:00
Round 1 – B events:	9:30
Extemp and 1-on-1 Draw:	10:45
CST Draw	11:00
Round 2 – A events:	11:15
Round 2 – B events	12:45
Extemp and 1-on-1 Draw:	2:00
CST Draw	2:15
Round 3 – A events:	2:30
Round 3 – B events:	4:00
Awards to follow as quickly as possible – Can we cross our fingers for 7:00?	

**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.

Sincerely,

Jada Petersen

They/Them

magicbluedragon@yahoo.com

720-204-0565