EDIT: On October 30, 2020 we are extending the date to register your teams until Monday November 2nd, 2020 at 3:30pm. If we have to make the hard decision to cut some teams, those without judges entered will be the first we consider cutting.

October 14, 2020

Greetings,

UPDATE 10/17: We will be using the novice case list and neg packet for the novice division.

The Shawnee Heights Debate Team would like to formally invite you to our annual debate tournament to be held on Saturday November 7th, 2020. We are thrilled to have you and are so appreciative of your patience in this process. We will have a Novice division for first-year debaters and an Open division for all other debaters.

To assist in the burden that COVID-19 has brought with virtual tournaments, we are requiring that for every two entries a team would like that they provide one judge. If your team is struggling to gather judges, please let SHHS coach Andrea Marshbank know at <a href="marshbanka@usd450.net">marshbanka@usd450.net</a>.

This judging requirement will be waived for tournaments that allowed SHHS entries to compete without providing judges. Please email Marshbank if you are unsure if that waiver applies to your school.

It is important that all parties (coaches, judges, competitors, etc.) monitor their emails closely during this tournament process to receive the most accurate and up-to-date information.

Medals will be mailed to the top eight teams in both divisions. Certificates will be mailed to the top speakers in each division. There will be no sweepstakes trophies due to cost of shipping, but sweepstakes will be determined and awarded.

More information will be released to registered schools as the date arises. The schedule and some general rules are included below.

Thank you all.

Sincerely, Andrea Marshbank Speech and Debate Coach Shawnee Heights High School

tabroom page: shawneeheightsdb8.tabroom.com Marshbank's cell (text or call): 785-230-5098 Marshbank's email: marshbanka@usd450.net

## **Schedule for Novice and Open Divisions**

Saturday November 7th, 2020

7:30am Virtual Check-In 8:00am Round 1 10:00am Virtual Check-In 10:30am Round 2 1:00pm Virtual Check-In 1:30pm Round 3 3:30pm Virtual Check-In 4:00pm Round 4 Awards to follow Round 4 ASAP.

## Rules etc.

- 1. 8 minutes of prep time for each division.
- 2. \$7 for each entry in all divisions.
- 3. Registration deadline and entries deadline is on Friday October 30th at 5:00pm. This is both to purchase the appropriate rooms from NSDA Campus and also for Marshbank's sanity. Drops after that may forfeit their entry fees and still need to bring judges.
- 4. If a team is 10 minutes late at no fault of the tournament will forfeit the round.
- 5. We will observe KSHSAA rules and its virtual debate addendum.
- 6. We will be using NSDA Campus via Tabroom.com. All competitors and judges will need tabroom.com accounts prior to Saturday November 7th, 2020.
- 7. If you can provide more experienced judges, please do. At the very least, please provide judges who you are confident will be able to utilize tabroom.com with a reasonable amount of ease.
- 8. No observers in any rounds to help alleviate strain on NSDA Campus.
- 9. Use email chains outside of the NSDA Campus format to send files, rather than the embedded file drop.
- 10. If you are recording the round, do not publish that recording. If there are any questions or concerns about sharing a round recording, please contact Marshbank.
- 11. For the invoice, use the invoice feature on tabroom.com.