



Dear Coach and Team:

The Grain Valley High School Speech and Debate Team cordially invites you to our 5th annual **New Year Novice Kickoff Classic** to be held virtually between January 3rd & 9th, 2021. We are pleased to partner with Fort Osage High School again to offer both Varsity (Fort Osage and a NIETOC Qualifier) and Novice Grain Valley High School competitions. We will be accepting **1st AND 2nd year competitors as Novice** this year.

Grain Valley will host the following Novice IE Events **asynchronously** on January 3rd-7th, 2021: **Dramatic Interpretation, Humorous Interpretation, Duo Interpretation, Prose Reading, Poetry Reading, Storytelling, International Extemp, U.S. Extemp, Original Oratory, Informative Speaking, and Student Congress.**

We will host the following Debate Events **synchronously** through NSDA Campus/Tabroom on Jan 8th and 9th: **Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Public Forum Debate, and Policy Debate. Reminder:** Novice Policy Debate will no longer be restricted to the Novice Case limitations as we are starting the 2nd Semester.

Individual Events will have two preliminary rounds, breaking to semifinals and finals. We will use the **NSDA Pilot Rules in Public Forum Debate**. Congress will have two preliminary sessions breaking to a **final one-part Super Session during IE Finals**. We will use the **December** NSDA Congress Packet for Legislation.

The deadline for receiving entries on Tabroom.com will be Friday December 18th, 2020 at 3:00PM. Asynchronous speech links (unlisted YouTube or Google Drive videos) are appreciated by 3:00PM on Tuesday December 22nd, 2020 or by the final deadline of Wednesday, December 30th, 2020 . All entries will be waitlisted upon entry – we will grant what we can accommodate during the day on December 21/22. Entry fees will be \$6.00/entry. No trophies will be given but certificates will be sent for students placing.

We look forward to hosting you to kick off 2021!!

If you have any questions, email Brian Winckler bwinckler@gvr5.net or call at 816-803-4714 (cell).

Sincerely,

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TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Asynchronous IE schedule

Monday, January 4 - Round 1

Tuesday, January 5 - Round 2

Wednesday, January 6 -Semi finals

Thursday, January 7 -Finals

(Approximate schedule- will run as quickly as we can with judges available)

Live (Synchronous) Debate Schedule:

Friday, January 8th

2:45PM: Registration

4:00PM: Round 1 of Debate

6:30PM: Round 2 of Debate

Saturday, January 9th

8:30AM: Round 3 of Debate

11:00AM: Round 4 of Debate

2:00PM: Quarterfinals of Debate

4:00PM: Semifinals of Debate

6:00PM: Finals of Debate

(If we can push elimination rounds earlier, we will)

Competition Information and Rules:

Each school shall be guaranteed up to two entries in each competitive event offered. Extra entries will be granted on a basis of space availability and order of submitted entries.

- A student may not enter both divisions of extemporaneous
- A student may enter up to one debate event and two individual events. Students may do Congress and another Individual Event.
- Please do not allow students to triple enter in any other combination than the example given above.
- No Maverick teams will be allowed in any division of debate.
- Certificates will be given to the top six entries in individual events and top eight in debate
- Overall Sweepstakes will be awarded to the top three schools.
- ***Entry fees are \$6.00 per entry.***
- ***All entries are due by 3:00 p.m. Friday, December 18th, 2020. All IE videos are due by Tuesday the 22nd at 3:00 PM. OR by the FINAL deadline, Wednesday, December 30th.***
- Tab will be open for view throughout the tournament. Results will become permanent 10 minutes after final tabulation.
- A student may not use the same selection for more than one event.
- **Each school must have an adult sponsor, able to judge, online at all times. All schools should bring 1 additional judge for every 10 entries (as a back up).**
- Sweepstakes will be given for the top three schools in individual (speech) and debate events combined. Determining sweepstakes: Points in debate from the best two teams in each division will be 5 points for each win and 15 points for placing in the top eight. Points in individual events from the best

two entries will be 15 points for finals, 5 points for 3rd place, 10 points for 2nd place, and 15 points for 1st place.

Virtual Tournament Procedures:

1. Speechwire tech videos: Please review the Speechwire tech help videos here:
<https://www.speechwire.com/p-video-resources.php>
2. Review NSDA Campus Manual: Please review the NSDA Campus manual here:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hej13hqfKmSHEVDYU-rc6UiVlaK0xbp6uGgwBHtSXIQ/e/dit?usp=sharing>
3. **Register and Link All Tournament Participants in Speechwire: All participants must have a Speechwire account (live.speechwire.com). Please follow these instructions to create a Speechwire account:**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dcGivaEKSuk>
4. Asynch Video Uploads: Please upload your student performances by Tuesday, December 22nd at 3PM.
5. We will be going by the MSHSAA Adopted Revisions for Virtual Competition document released by MSHSAA (i.e., pilot internet rules, extended prep time for debate, etc.).
6. Submitted competition videos should be “one take” with no editing or post-production and should follow all other MSHSAA Asynch Recording guidelines.
7. Please have all participants use Google Chrome as per NSDA Campus guidance.
8. Room Check-In Procedures: Please have debaters check in 30 minutes prior to the round when possible. Mandatory check in 15 minutes before the round. Tournament staff will be monitoring each room.
9. Due to equity concerns, Duo Interpretation recordings must be split screen.
10. Extemp Procedures:
 - a. **Students record 2 speeches -- 1 speech for prelims, 1 speech for elims.**
 - b. Please have students submit an unlisted Youtube link for each speech. Label each video with the Round (prelim/elim) event , and the competitors name.
 - c. Extemp questions will be sent out to all invited coaches by December 4, 2020. We trust coaches to fairly administer draw to their students.
 - d. Submitted competition videos should be “one take” with no editing or post-production and should follow all other MSHSAA Asynch Recording guidelines.
 - e. **Please have contestants submit all videos by the Asynch Video deadline, which is Tuesday December 22nd at 3PM.** (we are accepting submissions over break up until Wednesday, December 30th, if needed.)
11. Congress Procedures:
 - a. **Students record 2 speeches -- 1 speech for prelims, 1 speech for elims.**
 - b. Please have students submit an unlisted Youtube or Google Drive link for each speech. Label each video with the Round (prelim/elim), event, and the competitors name.
 - c. **Congress legislation will be the NSDA December 2020 Legislation Docket.** As a coach, we are requesting that you assign students one piece of the legislation and side per round according to the following constraints:
 - i. Prelim Rounds: Choose from Legislation 1-5
 - ii. Finals/Super Session: Choose from Legislation 6-10

12. Submitted competition videos should be “one take” with no editing or post-production and should follow all other MSHSAA Asynch Recording guidelines.
13. **Please have contestants submit all videos by the Asynch Video deadline, which is Tuesday December 22nd at 3PM.** (we are accepting submissions over break up until Wednesday, December 30th, if needed.)

Synchronous Debate Events

LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE

1. The resolution will be the January/February 2021 NSDA/MSHSAA approved topic.
2. Time limits for Lincoln Douglas debate will be: 6-3-7-3-4-6-3.
3. Each debater will be allowed a total of 5 minutes of prep time (MSHSAA Proposed Rules for Virtual Competition in 2020-2021).
4. Ties will be broken by looking at win-loss, opposition loss, opposition record, and cumulative speaker points.
5. A debater more than ten minutes late to a round will forfeit, unless it is the fault of the tournament.
6. Debaters are allowed to use internet in rounds but must follow MSHSAA guidelines.

PUBLIC FORUM DEBATE

1. The resolution will be the January 2021 NSDA/MSHSAA approved topic.
2. Time limits for Public Forum debate will be: 4-4-3-4-4-3-3-3-2-2 (NSDA Pilot Rules 2019). Each team will be allowed a total of 4 minutes of prep time (MSHSAA Proposed Rules for Virtual Competition in 2020-2021).
3. Sides will be determined by a coin flip at the start of each round.
4. Ties will be broken by looking at win-loss, opposition loss, opposition record, and cumulative speaker points.
5. No maverick teams will be allowed to debate. Team personnel must remain constant throughout the tournament.
6. A team more than ten minutes late to a round will forfeit unless it is the fault of the tournament.

POLICY DEBATE

The resolution will be the NSDA/MSHSAA approved topic. **Resolved: The United States federal government should enact substantial criminal justice reform in the United States in one or more of the following: forensic science, policing, sentencing.**

1. Time limits will be 8-3-5. Each team will be allowed a total of 8 minutes of prep time. (MSHSAA Proposed Rules for Virtual Competition in 2020-2021).
2. Ties will be broken by looking at win-loss, speaker points, opposition record of the team they lost to, and total opposition record.
3. No one person teams will be allowed to debate. Team personnel must remain constant throughout the tournament.
4. A team more than ten minutes late to a round will forfeit, unless it is the fault of the tournament.
5. Debaters are allowed to use internet in rounds and must follow MSHSAA rules.

Asynchronous Speech Events

(Pre-recorded with an Unlisted Youtube or Google Drive link submission)

HUMOROUS OR DRAMATIC INTERPRETATION – Selections must be taken from published literature (play, novel, short story). NSDA guidelines will apply. Selections should possess literary merit and be appropriate for a high school performance. The performance, including introduction, must be memorized. Time: 10 min. maximum

DUO INTERPRETATION – Selections must be taken from published works including novels, short stories, plays, or poetry. NSDA guidelines will apply. The performance, including introduction, must be memorized. Time: 10 min. Maximum. To ensure equity, students must submit a split screen recording.

PROGRAM ORAL INTERPRETATION -- The use of a manuscript is required. Time limit is 10 minutes. At least two separate pieces of literature from at least two separate genres must be used. The primary focus of the program should be on the development of the theme or argument through the use of narrative, story, language, and/or characterization. The intact manuscript may be used as a prop as long as it remains in the contestant's control at all times.

INTERNATIONAL AND U.S. EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING - A total of 30 minutes prep time will be allowed. No consultation with others is allowed during prep time. Time: 7 min. maximum. Students are not allowed to enter both extemps.

INFORMATIVE SPEAKING-Students deliver a self-written, ten-minute speech on a topic of their choosing. Not more than 150 words may be in the form of a direct quotation. Informative speakers may use visual aids that comply with the NSDA informative speaking rules.. All topics must be informative in nature; the goal is to educate, not to advocate. The speech is delivered from memory. Time: 10 minutes maximum.

ORIGINAL ORATORY – This persuasive speech must be the original work of the contestant. Not more than 150 words may be in the form of a direct quotation. The speech must be memorized. Time: 10 min. maximum. A student may not repeat an oratory he/she used in any previous year of competition.

STORYTELLING – Selections must come from published material. The memorized introduction may be given in a standing or seated position. The contestant shall narrate the story in a combination of his/her own words and original essential phrases, and from a seated position on a chair or stool. Time: 8 min. maximum

STUDENT CONGRESS- We will be using the December 2020 NSDA legislation packet. Contestants will record two speeches, one for preliminary rounds and one for final round, if advancing. Time: 3 min. maximum. As a coach, we are requesting that you assign students one piece of the legislation and side per round according to the following constraints:

- i. Prelim Rounds: Choose from Legislation 1-5
- ii. Finals/Super Session: Choose from Legislation 6-10