**"Running With The Bulls"**

Welcome to the 2020 “Running With The Bulls” Invitational hosted by Mountain View High School.  We are excited and honored to host you, virtually, on Friday and Saturday, January 22/23, 2021. This year, we are excited to be a NIETOC designated tournament!

We are excited to have you Join us for this unique tournament. Many will argue that the "suit makes the wo/man" and that is what lends credibility to the debate and ensures that we maintain a formal tone.  The reality is that what makes a debater truly credible is the quality of his/her argument and content of their speech. So... to that end, please "come as you are" - dress will be school/dress code appropriate attire (NO pj's and sweats though).

Traditional Speech on Friday with three rounds and finals. This year we are a NIETOC tournament!

Four rounds of debate (no BQ) on Saturday with awards going to the top five entries and the top five speakers in each event.

Congress will have three preliminary rounds, and no Super Congress, awards will be given to top Presiding Officer in each chamber.

Open divisions only.

When: January 22-23

Where: Tabroom

What: Idaho speech events on Friday: Extemporaneous Speaking (it will be a combined event, but students can choose either domestic or international topics in draw), Radio Broadcast Journalism, Retold Story, Panel Discussion, Duo Interp, Informative Speaking, Original Oratory, Dramatic Interp, Humorous Interp, Impromptu Speaking, Communication Analysis, After Dinner Speaking, and Sales Speaking and POI. Students may double enter in speech events as long as one isn't a draw event or panel discussion. NIETOC bids

Debate events on Saturday: Open divisions in Congressional Debate LD, PF, and CX. Students may not double enter in two debate events. We will have four rounds.

Entry Limits: Schools will be limited to six entries in each event but may waitlist more than that. I will start accepting the waitlisted students after January 10.

Entry Deadline: The entry deadline will be Tuesday, January 22, 2020 at 3:30pm. After this time, no drops or adds will be allowed on the website. If you drop after this time, you will be responsible for paying the entry fee and may be charged a $50 drop fee.

Cost:  $3 each entry

Judges: YOU MUST HAVE ENOUGH JUDGES TO COVER YOUR ENTRY. IF YOU ARE SHORT, YOUR TEAM WILL BE DROPPED. One judge per two CX entries, four PF/LD entries, and five speech entries. If your judge does not pick up/start their ballot and we have to reassign, a $20 per missing round fee will be charged.

**Panel topics**:

* How can Idaho's forests and mountains be preserved for future generations while still used for their resources today?
* Is the American criminal just system racist?
* Should parents be required to vaccinate their children?
* What can schools do to promote gender and racial equality?
* Is it ever appropriate for the government to restrict freedom of speech?

**Extemp topics:** We will use the NFHS questions from November, December 2020, and January 2021. Students may choose from either International or Domestic questions in draw.

Schedule:

**Friday:**

Round 1 Draw: 3:45pm

Round 1: 4:00pm-5:00pm

Round 2 Draw: 5:00pm

Round 2: 5:15pm-6:15pm

Round 3 Draw: 6:15pm

Round 3: 6:30pm-7:30pm

Speech Finals 7:45pm

**Saturday:**

Round 1: 8am-10:15am

Congress Round 1: 8:15am-10:30am

Round 2: 10:15am-12:30pm

Congress Round 2: 11:15am-1:15pm

Round 3: 12:30pm-2:45pm

Congress Round 3: 2pm-4:15pm

Round 4: 2:45pm-5:00pm

Awards ASAP

We look forward to a great weekend of competition!

Sara Bell, Host/Coach

Jenn Borman, Tournament Technician