

Milwaukee Catholic Forensic League Qualifying Tournament Congress/Speech March 26-27, 2021

Registration will be made using <u>www.tabroom.com</u> beginning March 5. No registrations will be accepted after Wednesday, March 24, 2021. After this, I will permit changes in your original roster wherever possible. Please contact me as early as possible with changes. Each school may enter up to 5 entries per category.

Rounds

We will have **four** preliminary asynchronous rounds in all events. Out rounds will begin at approximately 2:00 pm. Judges will need to be available to judge at this time. These rounds could have up to 8+ entries, so they should plan for a 2+ hour round.

Congress

Congress will be held Friday, March 26. Sessions start at 4:00. We should end at approximately 9:30. We'll have 4-5 chambers for a 90 minute session and then break to a 2-2.5 hour Supersession with top 3-4 members of each chamber

Legislation is due uploaded by noon on Saturday, March 19. Legislation must be uploaded to Tabroom, use the appropriate template, and be of serious purpose. Legislation that does not meet these guidelines may be left off the packet.

Awards

We will host a live Zoom at 4:00 pm to announce the qualifiers. Plaques will be mailed to the top nine individual finishers in each category. These nine qualify for the Grand National Tournament over Memorial Day Weekend.

Rules

We will follow the NCFL rules. Check out the NCFL web page at www.ncfl.org. Double entries are permitted but those who double enter must complete a Google Form listing their preferred category. For example, if the first choice is a debate event and the student has already qualified in that event, they should not be registered for this competition.

Judges

<u>Congress</u> judges are hired by the tournament. Schools have no obligations. If you know any judges unaffiliated with any school with the diocese, contact Carrie.

<u>Saturday judges</u>. Schools must provide one qualified judge for every 4 entries. Half the judges you register must be clean to the diocese. This will be a small tournament and we need to ensure we can panel rounds with clean judges.

Please be certain that your judges are familiar with the rules. Schools of judges who miss a round will be fined \$25 per incident. I will try to hire a few judges. Suggestions are welcome!

Fees

The entry fees will be \$20.00 **per student.** Please make the check payable to MCFL. This includes Congress. Mail checks to Carrie Baker Jackson - MCFL - 3325 East Howard Avenue - Saint Francis, WI 53235.

Questions?? Problems??

A Zoom link will be shared with you and judges if there are questions or TPP concerns.

Contact:

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