

Nickerson Speech and Debate

C/O: Dakota Yates

305 S Nickerson St Nickerson, KS 67561

Coaches,

You are cordially invited to attend the 2021 Nickerson Cowbell Classic Debate Invitational, hosted at Nickerson HS on **November 6th, 2021**. It will be a four round tournament, Open and Novice divisions offered, with the top 6 teams in each division receiving medals, and the top 8 speakers in each division receiving speaker awards.

You can register for our tournament on Tabroom.com. You are also welcome to email me your entries if you would like me to enter them for you.

The Novice division will **not** be constrained to the KS Caselist or any evidence packet. All debaters in all divisions are welcome to use whatever evidence they have.

I am still conversing with the District's IT department regarding internet access for our tournament. Please look for a future email and on our Tabroom.com page for updates regarding internet access.

Each school shall be limited to **4 entries across both divisions**. The entry fee is \$5.00 per entry. I am asking that *schools provide 1 judge* to supplement our judge pool, as our squad is rather small this year. You are welcome to use a 3rd/4th year debater to judge the Novice division, just please inform me of these judges when you register. Judges will need a Tabroom.com account in order to access their ballots.

Sweepstakes awards will be given to the top 3 schools, based on their best 4 entries with at least 1 entry in each division. KSHSAA rules will be used to determine any tie-breaks.

The most coveted award of the Cowbell Classic, a giant jar of jelly beans to the competitor who most accurately guesses the number of jelly beans in the jar, will also be offered.

Our tournament will offer concessions as lunch options in Nickerson are very limited.

Our tournament will follow the KSCA recommended guidelines for COVID-19. The guidelines are listed on the page below.

I look forward to seeing you in November,

Dakota Yates

Director of Speech and Debate Nickerson HS (316) 559-3431 DYates@USD309KS.org

COVID-19 Accommodations

- Students and Judges will be required to wear masks at all times (including when giving speeches) when not speaking or drinking. Attendees may raise/lower their mask when eating/drinking, but should limit the amount of time spent doing so whenever possible.
- During lunch a concession stand will be offered. We encourage competitors to eat in the hallways or in our Old Gymnasium to avoid being clustered together.
- Competitors will be asked to socially distance as much as possible when in-round. All of our
 competition spaces should permit both teams and the judge to be a healthy distance apart from
 one another.
- It is the responsibility of attendees to provide their own masks. We will not be providing masks to those without them.
- Hospitality will be provided, however judges and coaches should make every effort to maintain distance whenever possible, and to limit their time eating/drinking unmasked.
- Tab room will be open to coaches and their assistants only. Masks will still be required.

Schedule

Registration	7:00 AM - 7:30 AM
ROUND 1	8:00AM - 9:30 AM
ROUND 2	10:00AM - 11:30 AM
LUNCH	11:30 AM - 12:30 PM
ROUND 3	12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
ROUND 4	2:30 PM - 4:PM
AWARDS	ASAP

2021 Nickerson Cowbell Classic Debate Invitational Entry Form

OF ENTRIES:
X \$5.00 TOTAL: \$