Dear Forensic Coaches:

Your team is invited to attend the **virtual** Hampton Talbot Tournament, which will be held on **Saturday**, **February 5**, **2022**. The tournament will utilize **NSDA Campus**.

REGISTRATION: Registration is being taken on-line only on **Tabroom**. **Registration will close at 5 p.m. on Thursday, February 3.**

EVENTS: ALL WILL BE LIVE EXCEPT DUO

- 1. Congress-SYNC
- 2. Public Forum Debate- SYNC
- 3. Policy Debate-SYNC
- 4. Parliamentary Debate-SYNC
- 5. Lincoln-Douglas Debate-SYNC
- 6. Extemporaneous Speaking (foreign & domestic alternate rounds)- SYNC
- 7. Commentary- SYNC (PHSSL rules)
- 8. Humorous Interpretation-SYNC
- 9. Dramatic Interpretation-SYNC
- 10. Poetry- SYNC
- 11. Prose-SYNC
- 12. Original Oratory- SYNC
- 13. Informative-SYNC
- 14. Declamation-SYNC
- 14. Duo- ASYNC (recordings must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 4)
- 15. Program Oral Interpretation-SYNC

PHSSL rules and time limits will be used in all speech and debate events. POI will follow NSDA rules and Declamation will follow CFL rules.

REGISTRATION FEES:

The registration fee will be **\$6** per speech, Congress, and L-D contestants, and **\$12** per two-person debate team and duo team. **Checks are to be made payable to Hampton Township School District (or HTSD).**

JUDGES:

One qualified judge must be provided for every five students entered in the **speech** and Congress events or a fraction thereof.

1 to 5 students=1 judge

5 to 8 students=2 judges

One qualified judge must be supplied and specified for every one to two LD competitors and every one to two Public Forum/PF/Policy teams. High school students may <u>not</u> be used as judges. All judges are expected to be available for the entire tournament. If any judge leaves the tournament early, without providing a replacement, his/her <u>school</u> will be fined and disqualified from competition.

ALL judges MUST complete their rankings as soon as possible (ideally within 5 minutes of the end of the round). Comments can be typed in later if necessary.

AWARDS:

Top six speakers in all speech and debate events will receive awards. Congress chambers will receive awards for Merit, Superior, and Outstanding Speakers. This year will feature different awards that will be mailed to those schools who have award winners. Please fill out this Google Form for awards:

Awards Mailing Information

Emergencies, Missing Judges/Competitors, Strange Tech Issues:

Should there be any problem on the day of the tournament, please text **(DO NOT CALL)** 412-376-3490 so that we may adjust the schedule accordingly. Please include the following information with your text:

- Your Name
- Judge? Competitor?
- Event/Room or Section
- Nature of the Problem

Mask Policy

With respect to the ongoing pandemic, students competing in rounds with partners **MUST BE WEARING MASKS** if they are competing in the same room. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in disqualification from the tournament.

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE (tentative):

We are going to try our best to run our tournament on time. To help us, please make sure that you are on time and that you **PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CHECK IN ONLINE SO WE KNOW EVERYONE IS PRESENT AND READY TO COMPETE/JUDGE.**

Registration ends: 7:45 a.m.

Opening meeting: 7:45 a.m.

Extemp/Comm to prep room: :7:45 a.m.

Round I: 8:00-9:00

Round II: 9:00-9:45

Round III: 10:00-11:00

BREAK: 11:00-12:00

Extemp to prep room - 12:00

Round IV (speech final): 12:00-1:00

A fifth round may be added in debate if time permits.

Awards Ceremony: 3:00 p.m.

Congress:

Session 1 - 8:00-11:00

Session 2 - 11:45-2:00