

Dear Coaches:

On behalf of the Chase High Speech and Debate team, I would like to invite you all to the Grady Franklin Invitational Speech and Debate tournament to be held on Saturday, October 29th, 2022 in beautiful, rural, Forest City, North Carolina.

Please note that we offer a **JV and Varsity format** in debate and congress. JV is defined as anyone in their **first two years** of competition in ANY speech and debate event. All speech events will be OPEN except for Novice Reading, which is for those in their first year, and Declamation, which is for those in their first two years of experience.

We will offer 1st - 6th place individual awards in each event having 12 or more entries. Additional awards beyond 6th place will be offered for events with more than 30 entries. As well as regular sweepstakes awards for top performing teams, a special percentage sweepstakes award for the smaller, non-sweepstakes team that has the biggest percentage of team members winning trophies (must have 5 - 10 entries to be eligible). Being the coach of smaller, rural, schools I believe that these programs should also have a chance to be represented on the sweeps stage.

Additionally, due to liability issues, we are not able to accept independent entries. Each team must be representing an actual school by name and be registered by an official at that school.

We look forward to seeing all of you bright and early on the morning of 12/14!

Sincerely,

J. Patrick Moss

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