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TO: ACTIVITY DIRECTORS AND COACHES

 SPEECH, DRAMA, AND DEBATE

FROM: HEATHER SCHMITZ, TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

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RE: MILES CITY INVITATIONAL SPEECH, DRAMA, AND DEBATE TOURNAMENT

Custer County District High School cordially invites you to **Miles City's Breakfast Club Tournament** on Saturday, November 12, 2022. We will have a breakfast theme for the day so be prepared for all things breakfast. This should be an eggcellent year. Don’t waffle about coming; be there or be toast. Special prizes will be breakfast themed as well.

**Event Location**: All events will be held at on the CCDHS campus at 20. S. Center in Miles City.

REGISTRATION/ COST:

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| **Fee** | **Amount** |
| Entry (single person event) | $6 |
| Entry (2-4 participant event) | $12  |
| Drop fee after deadline | will be charged as though the student attended |

Registration will be through the Tabroom.com website at: <http://custerco.tabroom.com/> ending **Friday, November 4th at 7 PM**. Check in will be online through the Tabroom website. We will be keeping score through **hand-tabbing.** We will offer all Class A events.

Each school may enter up to three entries in each event. Double entry is allowed. If you have drops, please make sure to update your info at the tabroom.com site. After Thursday, Nov. 10th, call or text Heather Schmitz’ cell at (406) 853-0055, or email them to her at hschmitz@milescity.k12.mt.us as soon as possible.

**MHSA Rules: All events will be conducted according to the rules in the MHSA handbook. All contestants will follow class A rules, with the exception of judge restrictions**. Also, coaches are encouraged to watch rounds and may be asked to judge. Please familiarize your contestants with the timing procedures and be sure that each contestant has a digital kitchen timer or equivalent. Time will be counting up.

DEBATE TOPICS:

Public Forum: **Resolved: The United States Federal Government should substantially increase its investment in highspeed rail.**

LD Resolution: **Resolved: The United States ought to implement a single-payer universal healthcare system.**

Policy Resolution: **Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its security cooperation with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization in one or more of the following areas: artificial intelligence, biotechnology, cybersecurity.**

The November extemp topics will be used.

\*We have a group that has agreed to sell concessions at the meet but they will not be providing a lunch package, per se, just various types of food. There are many restaurants available in Miles City, a few within walking distance. A list has been attached to the emailed invitations.

**No official COVID-19 protocols will be in place. Those rules are left up to individual schools, coaches, and judges.**

FOOD:

Concessions will be available for sale for contestants. Concessions will be available until 2:00 PM. School purchase orders will be accepted. Your team may run a tab, then pay by PO at 2:00 PM. Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided free of charge for judges, bus drivers, and coaches in room 6 (the family and consumer sciences room).

COMPETITION SITE:

All events will be held at CCDHS. The gym lobby and the upper mezzanine in the gym will be used for the commons area for contestants. Contestants should be there when not in rounds. Remember contestants may not be in competition rooms unless a judge or coach is present. At the end of the tournament, please ask your team members to pick up their area. The awards assembly will be as soon as possible following finals and will be in the auditorium. Those schools that do not stay for the awards ceremony will be able to view a recording of the ceremony.

COMPETITION:

There will be three preliminary rounds and finals in all events with 9 or more contestants. The schedule for the day is:

 Individual Events Extemp Draw Debate

 8:30 8:00 8:00

 10:00 9:30 10:00

 11:30 11:00 12:00

 1:30 1:00 2:00

The awards assembly will be in the auditorium as soon as possible after all rounds have been tabulated.

**Due to lack of available space, Debate will be limited to 8 LD competitors, 8 Public Forum competitor-pairs, and 6 Policy competitor-pairs.**

Policy Debate will be round robin of four rounds. Final placement will be determined by win/loss record and points.

Extemp Draw will be in Room 403.

AWARDS:

Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded for first place in each class for Speech and Drama. Medals, certificates or prizes will be awarded for 1st through 8th places for individual finalists.

If you have any questions, contact Heather at hschmitz@milescity.k12.mt.us or call me at school (406) 234-4920 ext. 244 during the school day or (406) 853-0055 (cell) in the evening. (Voicemail will be available if I am unavailable.)