Dear Speech Arts Coaches,

You are invited to join the 2023 District Speech tournament hosted by Lakeland High School on Saturday, March 4, 2023. Please pay close attention to the deadlines and rules in this letter and in the IHSAA coaching manual to avoid any mishaps that could occur and ruin your students' chances of qualifying for state.

Registration:

You will register your team/entries through Tabroom (instructions provided through IHSAA https://www.isata.org/isata-2020). Remember that only <u>six</u> competitors from each school may enter the same event. Your total number of entries still cannot exceed 56. Also remember that a student may only enter <u>one</u> event in Pattern A and <u>one</u> event in Pattern B. No double entering in the same pattern. Please have your principal sign the "Principal Approval Form" and bring that form with you to the tournament:

https://idhsaa.org/asset/document/39-prin%20approval%20form.pdf.

PM. Entries received after that deadline will not be allowed to compete. No changes will be accepted after the entry is received—only drops! The entry fee for the tournament will be calculated as follows: \$30 school fee and \$8 for every event slot filled. For example, if a student is entered in Panel and HI, that will be \$16. Duos are only \$8 per entry as well. Fees will be determined at 3:00 PM on Friday, February 24th. Drops received after that time will not be refunded. Please be aware that no school will be able to compete without all fees paid prior to the tournament. Please bring a check to the tournament made out to:

Timberlake High School Attention: Chris Jarstad 5303 ID-54 Spirit Lake, ID 83869

Scripts*:

Scripts for all events will need to be uploaded to Tabroom. If the student is competing in an interpretation event (HI, SI, Duo, POI), you must have a script that includes a copy of every page that the student performs a line from. (For state you will be required to also present the original copy of the piece.) For all original student pieces (Oratory, Informational, Sales, CA, and ADS), you must have the script that the student performs.

*Please keep in mind we all need to make sure we check IHSAA rules before we submit our scripts to make sure we are following the exact rules as they are laid out. This is not a complete explanation of the rules.

Judges:

Judging is something that needs to be of utmost importance. We need to secure enough judges to keep the tournament on time and our judges happy. At the district tournament, judges do not have to be certified, but they can get certified for free. There should be a certification video put out at the state level about a month before districts (currently on IHSAA website). Please enter your judges into Tabroom as well. Please meet with your judges before they come to the tournament to prepare them and answer their questions; this tournament is not the time to "train" new judges. To properly account for judges, please follow the guidelines listed below. For every 6 students entered in *each* pattern, you must provide one judge. (For example, in Pattern A events, you have 18 students; in Pattern B events you have 24. You will need to provide 4 judges to cover your entries.) As coaches, please do not consider yourself as a judge. Coaches will be asked to help as draw room monitors and tab room help. This also means that you will not be able to go watch your students.

Responsibilities:

To help prepare for the tournament, we need the following coaches to help provide draw event materials. If you have any questions regarding your assignment, please contact me ASAP. The assignments are:

Speech Districts Preparation for 2023

(HOST SCHOOL: LAKELAND HIGH SCHOOL MARCH 4TH)

Tournament Managers (2): Caleb Dreschel (LCHS) and Melissa Kirkland (MHS)

Tournament Accountant (1): Chris Jarstad/ Jacqui Duran(TLHS)

Tournament Host: Colleen Hall (LHS) Retold Draw: Caleb Dreschel (LCHS) Extemp Draw: Melissa Kirkland (MHS) Radio Draw: Tracey Vaughan (Charter) Impromptu Draw: Colleen Hall (LHS)

Assigned Jobs during the Tournament

(HOST SCHOOL: LAKELAND HIGH SCHOOL MARCH 4TH)

Tabroom/Judges Desk: Caleb Dreschel, Melissa Kirkland and Tracey Vaughan

Tournament Host: Colleen Hall Retold Draw Room: Chris Jarstad

Extemp/Radio Draw Room: Lee Wallace

The schedule for the tournament is included as another attachment. Please be at the tournament on time. Late arrivals really hurt the tournament and cause many problems for the tab room. Please instruct your judges to be at Lakeland High School <u>no later than 8:10 am.</u> There will be a short judges' meeting starting at 8:15 am.

Questions may be emailed to me at chall@lakeland272.org or texted to me at (208) 691-0592. You can also contact Melissa or Caleb.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at Lakeland High School on March 4th!

Sincerely,

Caleb Dreschel (Co-Tournament Manager)
Melissa Kirkland (Co-Tournament Manager)

PS- Please start thinking about speech state as well which will be April 14-15 at Lake City High School in CDA. We should plan on each bringing a minimum of 3 judges...