BILLINGS CENTRAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Speech and Drama Invitational

Saturday, December 7th, 2024

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Registration: Registration online is now closed due to the high number of entries. If you would like to add a contestant, please email me and I will see if there is room in that event. I am willing to make changes until Thursday if it doesn't increase sections.

Fees: An entry fee of \$6.00 will be charged for each participant.

<u>Drop/Adds</u>: Please make drops on Tabroom until Friday night. After that, please email me at <u>amnelson@billingscatholicschools.org</u> or text me (Ashley Nelson) at (406) 672-6803. Adds will be made only if event numbers allow it. All drops after 5:00PM on Friday will result in the forfeitures of the registration.

<u>MHSA Rules</u>: All events will be conducted according to the rules in the 2024-2025 MHSA handbook. ALL contestants will follow class A rules- with the exception of some judge restrictions. Coaches may be asked to judge, but there will hopefully be no need.

Debate Topics:

Lincoln-Douglas: Topic effective November/December 2024:

Resolved: The United States ought to adopt a wealth tax.

Policy Debate: The 2024-2025 policy debate topic is:

<u>Resolved</u>: The United States federal government should significantly strengthen its protection of domestic intellectual property rights in copyrights, patents, and/or trademarks.

Public Forum: Topic effective November/December 2024:

Resolved: The United States should substantially reduce its military support of Taiwan.

Event Locations: All events will be held on the MSU-Billings campus.

Registration:

We will not hold registration. Instead, we will hand out invoices in the tabroom the day of the tournament or they will be sent out by email if we don't touch base the day of.

Schedule:

Events Schedule

Round 1	8:00 AM (Extemp draw & debate begin at 7:30)
Round 2	10:00 AM (Extemp draw & debate begin at 9:30)
Round 3	12:00 PM (Extemp draw & debate begin at 11:30)
Finals*	2:00 PM- Including debate (Extemp draw at 1:30)

*Awards assembly will be as soon as possible following finals

<u>Parking</u>: As for now, busses are asked to park in the parking lot on the corner of Virginia Ln. and Rimrock. It is possible that will change, but that is the plan for now.

Food: Breakfast and snacks will be provided for coaches and drivers. Lunch will be provided through the MSU-Billings cafeteria. Schools are also able to buy student lunches through the MSU-B cafeteria. I will reach out again once I know what process they would like us to take when planning lunches. Lunch through the cafeteria will be \$9 a student. Stingers is a café in the Student Union building and it will be open from 10 - 1 pm. There is also an abundance of food establishments in Billings.