Dear 3A Coaches:

It is our pleasure to extend you an invitation to the 3A State Tournament to be held March 10th and 11th at Stansbury High School. Congratulations to you and your students for a great season! Please read carefully through the following information:

Location

Stansbury High School 5300 Aberdeen Lane, Stansbury Park, UT 84074

Wifi

Wifi will be available at Stansbury High School. To log in, join the TCSD Guest Network, a pop-up box will appear to agree to the terms.

State Tournament Committee

Director and Region 10 rep Brett Rydalch, Grantsville High School brydalch@tooeleschools.org

Host Jeff Saunders jsaunders@tooeleschools.org

Tournament Assignments

The following are assignments that need to be filled for the successful operation of the tournament. Please email brydalch@tooeleschools.org to indicate your intent to fill any of these assignments.

Ballot Table -Congress Parliamentarian #1 -Congress Parliamentarian #2 -Extemp prep room manager -

Registration

The DEADLINE for tournament registration is **March 9, 2017 at 11:55 PM**. Registration and judge entry will take place through tabroom.com.

Only students that have qualified for state may be registered for the tournament.

Coaches should complete their registration by reporting to the Tabroom. Online registration is also available at www.tabroom.com

Ballots/Ballot Review

3A State will be using the online balloting system through www.tabroom.com. Paper ballots can be provided as needed. Please make sure judges have accounts created at www.tabroom.com prior to the start of the tournament. Volunteer coaches will be available the day of to help with any questions. There is also an information page on www.tabroom.com that will provide training resources on how to use this feature.

After each round a very short ballot review will be posted in the tabroom. It is the coach's responsibility to be available to check these ballots at the time. Any challenges made post review will not be heard.

Events

Congress: Legislation will be a compiled from the dockets of region tournaments, and posted here once it is created.

Extemp: Questions will be taken from the state list sent out by NFHS from March, February and January. Please review the rules for Extemp, especially regarding the use of electronic devices.

Impromptu: Topics will consist of concrete nouns, current events, quotes, and abstract nouns.

Oratory: Please review the rules for Original Oratory. Also, All qualifiers to the State Meet must have submitted a copy of their original oratory one week in advance to the state forensic representative. This copy should be typewritten and double-spaced. All quoted materials should be so specified with an appropriate bibliography attached.

LD—Resolved: Published March topics on the National Speech & Debate Association Website

PF--Resolved: Resolved: Published March topics on the National Speech & Debate Association Website

CX--Resolved: Resolved: Published topic on the National Speech & Debate Association

Judging Requirements

Please observe the following with respect to the number of judges required, copied here from the UHSAA Speech and Debate Guidebook:

Section 16: Schools to provide Judges

Schools who fail to supply their allotted judges will be fined \$100.00 per judge.

- A. Schools are required to supply the following qualified judges:
 - 1. One judge for one to two debate teams
 - 2. Two judges for three debate teams
 - 3. One judge for one to four I.E. contestants
 - 4. Two judges for five to eight I.E. contestants
 - 5. One judge for one to three L.D. contestants
 - 6. One judge for one to three Public Forum teams
 - 7. A full slate is required to bring a minimum of six judges.
- B. Each judge must be available for assignments one round beyond the elimination of all students from that school. All judges must be available for all rounds held prior to the awards assembly. Each school must have one L.D. judge, one Public Forum and one Policy judge with entries in L.D., Public Forum or Policy available for elimination rounds. Failure to abide these rules will result in a penalty fine of \$25.
- C. Region Reps are responsible for securing Congress judges.

Judges will be expected to attend the mandatory judge's orientation meeting to be held before the first round.

The meet director may make a reasonable effort to secure extra, for-hire judges from neutral institutions, but this does not release a school from its judging obligations.

Each judge must pick up the ballot assigned to them. There will be no handing out ballots to judges that are not assigned to the round. Each judge must supply an electronic device and have an account on www.tabroom.com.

Schedule

Friday, March 10

Registration 3:00-3:30

PF, LD, Policy

Round 1 3:30-6:00 Round 2 6:00-8:30 Round 3 6:30-8:30

Congress

Session 1 3:30-6:00 Session 2 6:00-8:30

Saturday, March 12

PF, LD, Policy

Round 4 8:30-11:00 Round 5 11:00-1:30 Ballot Review 1:30-2:00 Break rounds 2:00

Congress

Final 10:00—12:30

Individual Events

Round 1 8:30-9:30 Round 2 10:00-11:00 Round 3 11:30-12:30 Round 4 1:00-2:00 Ballot Review 2:00-3:30 Final rounds approx 3:00

UHSAA Rules

To have a fair and enjoyable tournament, I think it's important that each of us take the time and review the UHSAA Handbook at http://www.uhsaa.org/activities/speech.html and click the top link of the list: UHSAA Speech/Debate Policies, Rules & Guidelines. I would ask that you would pay particular attention to the following:

Page 123, Section 18--Entry Substitution
Page 119, Article IV – Electronic Devices
Pages 132-136, CHAPTER IV – Event Specific Rules
(esp. Oratory and Extemp. as well as rules regarding evidence in debate)

I've included the Entry Substitution Rule for your convenience here:

Section 18: Entry Substitution

If a school qualifies more competitors than the rules allow in a particular event, the coach may choose to bring the extra qualifier to replace a region entry.

- A. Extras in one event can only be entered if all entries in that event qualified outright at the region tournament.
- B. Under this rule a student may only be entered in an event in which they competed at the region tournament.
- C. Non-existing entries may not be dropped to meet the limit overall (substitutions may only be made for slots filled at the region tournament).
- D. Entry limits shall not be exceeded:
 - 1. The total number of entries per school shall not exceed 25 for 3A, 4A and 5A,
- 2. A policy or public forum team counts as two entries for the purposes of substitution. Two individual entries would need to be dropped to enter an additional policy or public forum team.

Dropping a policy or public forum team would allow two slots in events where students compete individually provided the event limit is not exceeded.

3. No more than one extra entry per event may be made in the state tournament. (No more than four entries in individual or debate events shall be allowed in 1A and 2A. No more than three entries in individual events, nor more than four in debate events shall be allowed in 3A, 4A and 5A.)

It is the responsibility of every coach to know and understand these rules. In order for a rule to be challenged please come prepared with evidence in order to make it a valid claim. All rule violations are ultimately up to the tournament director to decide the outcome.