



Graves County

JV Eagle Invitational

Dear Teachers and Coaches,

We at Graves County High School share the belief of you all that speech and drama develop skills in our students that make them better speakers, performers, and all-around students. Too often, however, we can't get to the students until high school; and, therefore, we have limited time to develop their talent. What you are doing, then, as junior division coaches is a fantastic benefit: reaching students before acting and standing up in front of a crowd are too scary or uncool. Many of you have had junior division teams for several years. Graves County is in its second year with a JV team because we also realize that the way to have a great senior division team is start a junior division team.

The problem around this half of the state is that there are so few junior division teams and even fewer opportunities for JV performers to showcase their talents before the regional tournament in February and the state tournament in April.

This is where we at Graves County are hoping to step in. We are inviting you to the first Graves County JV Eagle Invitational on Saturday, November 21 at Graves County High School. This tournament will give your students an opportunity to break in new scripts, get over stage fright, and get some great positive feedback from judges. We are hoping to make it a state qualifier; but even if it isn't, our tournament will provide much-needed experience for our young performers.

The deadline for entries in the JV Eagle Invitational is Tuesday, November 17 at 3 p.m. We can extend the deadline that late because we will be running our tournament off of www.tabroom.com. The tournament will begin at 8:30 a.m. on November 21. Registration will begin at 7:30 in the commons area of the high school. The draw for Extemporaneous Speaking will begin at 8 a.m. This will be a normal, three-round tournament followed by a finals round. Not knowing how many teams and students will be showing up, it is hard to set a time for the awards ceremony, but I will say somewhere between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. We will be presenting awards to individuals for first through sixth place. Sweepstakes awards also will be presented to the top six schools.

Thank you for your dedication to the students, and we hope to see you on November 21.

Individual Events

8:00 Extemp draw

8:30 Round 1

9:30 Extemp draw

10:00 Round 2

11:00 Broadcast and Extemp draw

11:30 Round 3

1:30 Broadcast and Extemp draw

2:00 Finals

4:00 Awards

ENTRIES

We will be offering all eleven K.H.S.S.L., Inc. Junior events. Students may enter up to three events; however, the schedule will not be adjusted to accommodate students who cannot make it to all of their rounds on time. It is suggested that students in Broadcasting, Extemp and Improv Duo be limited to two events (especially Improv Duo since it is probably the most popular event). You may enter as many contestants as you wish in each category, but only the top three in each individual event category will earn sweepstakes points.

FEES

Entry fees are \$5.00 per entry (\$10.00 for each Duo Acting and Improv Duo team) and \$25.00 for each judge you cannot provide (one judge covers six individual event entries or fraction thereof). Checks should be made payable to **GRAVES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL**. We will do our best to accommodate drops, adds, and substitutions up until Friday, January 23 at 1 p.m. After that time, however, a \$5.00 fee will be assessed for each drop and no adds will be taken. A \$50.00 drop fee will be charged if you drop a judge after the deadline. All entry fees, judging fees, and drop fees must be paid at or before the time of registration.

SUBMITTING YOUR ENTRY

We will do entries on www.tabroom.com; therefore, we can extend the entry deadline to **3 p.m.** on **Tuesday, November 17**. The beauty of tabroom.com is that it compiles entries immediately, tabulates your bill, and assigns rooms for categories so it is the most convenient way to enter the tournament. Email your entries only as a last resort to todd.ross@graves.kyschools.us. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at the above email or on my cell phone at 270-293-0530.

AWARDS

We will be presenting awards to individuals for first through sixth place. Sweepstakes awards also will be presented to the top six schools.

HOTELS

While there are a few hotels in Mayfield and Graves County, there are many hotels in Paducah and Murray, both 30 minutes away from the high school.

DIRECTIONS

To Graves County High School from the North and East:

Take the Julian Carroll (Purchase) Parkway South to Exit 24. Take a right on Highway 121 North and travel 1/10 mile. High School/Middle School entrance is located on right.



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Please list all duo acting teams below:

Please list all improv duo teams below:

Please list all individual events judges below:

COMPUTATION OF ENTRY FEE

Number of I.E. entries other than Duo Acting and Improv Duo _____ @ \$5 = _____

Number of entries in Duo Acting and Improv Duo _____ @ \$10 = _____

Total number of entries (Add two previous lines) _____

The number above is used to determine your number of judges required. 1-6 entries = 1 judge, 7-12 entries = 2 judges, 13-18 entries = 3 judges, 19-24 entries = 4 judges, 25-30 = 5 judges, 31-36 entries = 6 judges, 37-42 entries = 7 judges, 43-48 entries = 8 judges, 49-54 entries = 9 judges, 55-60 entries = 10 judges.

_____ judges required minus _____ judges provided = _____ @ \$25 = _____

TOTAL ENTRY FEE (Add amounts in right hand column) _____

THIS FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY NO LATER THAN 3 P.M. ON TUESSDAY, NOVEMBER 17