**2017 NSCTA DEBATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Dear Debate Coach,

On behalf of the Nebraska Speech Communications and Theatre Association, I would like to invite you and your team to participate in the NSCTA State Debate and Congress Championships. The tournament will take place on **Friday, March 24 and Saturday, March 25.**

**Eligibility**

This is a high school only tournament. Each team that competes at this tournament must be registered with the NSAA and all students must be eligible through the requirements of the NSAA.

**Entry Limits**

Lincoln Douglas – 3 entries maximum
Policy – 3 teams maximum
Legislative Debate – 6 entries maximum
Public Forum – 3 teams maximum

 All Entries Are Due Monday, March 20th. To register go to tabroom.com

 **Entry fees**
**Lincoln Douglas Debate –** $30
**Policy Debate** - $30
**Legislative Debate** - $20
**Public Forum** - $30

 **Judges**

All schools must provide a judge for every two debate teams or fraction thereof. Uncovered judge fees will be $200. You will also need to provide one judge for six congress entries. You may provide a judge or pay $20 an uncovered slot. **Please avoid hiring judges who are first year out for any division.**

 **Concessions**

 The LSW Forensics Parents will be providing a fully stocked concession stand with walking tacos, hot dogs and pizza. There will also be homemade goodies, candy, soda and water. On Friday night a local food truck, Heoya, will be right outside the doors to provide a delicious alternate to the normal concession stand food. We will have meatless options at the concession stand and at the food truck. On Friday and Saturday, we will also hope to have Maui Wowi smoothies available.

 **Registration**

 LSW students will be school until 3:03. We will be holding registration in the auditorium (instead of the traditional commons registration) from 2:30-3:00. We will try to get rounds out by 3:30, but understand that it is going to be a quick turn-around as we have student dismissal and teachers moving from their rooms to their teacher plan centers in only thirty minutes. Please remind your students that they must not have food or drink in the auditorium. At 3:10 debaters can move to the commons.

 **PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE AT LSW BEFORE 2:15**.

 If you have any questions, please email me at theimes@lps.org.

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Chair, NSCTA Debate Committee