

2018 KHSSL, Inc. Northern Regionals

Dear Coaches,

I am excited to be your Regional Manager and to host the KHSSL Northern Regional Tournament at Beechwood Elementary and High Schools (one connected building) on Saturday, February 3, 2018. The schools are located at 54 Beechwood Road, Fort Mitchell, KY 41018. If you need specific directions, please contact me. All competitors and busses should park in the main elementary parking lot and enter through the main elementary doors. Registration will take place in the elementary lobby.

I'm looking forward to a great day of competition and camaraderie with you and your students. As we make our final preparations here at Beechwood, please make note of the following items. If you have any questions or need clarification, please let me know; I'm happy to help you.

Sincerely,

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1. DATES:

- a. **KHSSL Northern Regional Tournament:** Saturday, February 3.
- b. **Snow make-up date:** Saturday, February 10.
- c. **Registration opens:** Tuesday, January 9 at 11:00 am.
- d. **Registration closes:** Tuesday, January 30th at 5:00 pm.

2. REGISTRATION:

- a. All registration will take place through Tabroom: <http://northernregionals.tabroom.com>

3. FEES (per the KHSSL handbook pages 57 - 58):

- a. \$6 per individual event
- b. \$12 per duo event
- c. \$65 for each uncovered judge

[Fees (a) through (c) listed above are registration fees and should be made payable to KHSSL.]

- d. Competitor drops after registration deadline but before arrival at tournament: \$10
 - e. Competitor drops upon arrival at tournament: \$50 plus entry fee
 - f. Judge name change upon arrival at tournament: \$10
 - g. Judge drop after the registration deadline: \$100 plus any uncovered judge fee
- [Fees (d) through (g) above are drop/nuisance fees and should be made payable to Beechwood High School.]*

4. SCHEDULE:

[Please note that Junior and Senior Divisions will run simultaneously.]

7:00 am - 7:45 am	Registration in the Beechwood Elementary Lobby
7:45 am - 8:15 am	Opening Assembly in the Cafeteria
8:00 am	Extemp Draw
8:30 am	Round I
9:30 am	Extemp Draw
10:00 am	Round II
12:00 pm	Run-off rounds as necessary
1:30 pm	Awards in the Cafeteria

5. AWARDS:

- a. A Regional Champion and a Regional Runner-up will be named in all events.
- b. In the event of a tie for either Regional Champion or Regional Runner-up, ties will be broken in the following ways according to the KHSSL Handbook page 62.
 - i. Lowest composite rank
 - ii. Highest Reciprocal Composite
 - iii. Highest total rating points
 - iv. If there is still a tie after these three methods have been exhausted, then we will hold a run-off round in that particular event with one judge. That one judge will determine the Regional Champion and/or Runner-up, as the case may be.
- c. The top three schools in both the Junior and Senior divisions will be awarded Sweepstakes Trophies.

6. JUDGES:

- a. You must provide one judge for every six entries or fraction thereof.
- b. Schools that cannot meet the quota of judges listed above may only hire ONE judge.

- c. I cannot stress enough how essential it is to bring more than enough judges to Regionals! The only way that I can stick to this schedule is if we have an adequate number of judges. If we don't get enough, then we will have to flight (i.e. extend) the tournament. Let's avoid that at all costs.
- d. Please make sure that your judges are aware that most junior high judges will judge senior high events and vice versa. This is the most efficient way to make sure that we're all out the door by 2:00!
- e. Because my students will be competing, I will not provide timers for limited prep events. Please make sure that your judges are familiar with the universal hand signals for limited prep events located on page 12 of the KHSSL Handbook.
- f. Here is a copy of the judging handbook that I use for my own new judges: (See PDF attached to this email.)
- g. Here is a copy of the judge training video that I use for my own judges:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1b0Wcp9UH0WNEQYUAYHYJ1HGIMYpJPcmK76oBj8HqyvQ/edit?usp=sharing>

7. **RULES:**

- a. KHSSL Handbook: <https://khssl.files.wordpress.com/2017/10/2017-2018-khssl-handbook.pdf>
 - i. It's good practice to re-read the KHSSL handbook for information about a) the competition events and b) how the Regional and State Tournaments work prior to attending this tournament. Small changes are made from year to year, and it's each coach's responsibility to be aware of these changes. For example, make sure that you can defend, upon challenge, that your interpretation pieces fit the KHSSL source rule. (See page 14 of the handbook.) Make sure that you know how many kids you can enter into the tournament, who is eligible to compete at Regionals and State, how to ask for exemptions from Regionals, etc. (See pages 57 - 59.)
- b. Time signals:
 - i. Make sure that all judges are familiar with the universal time signals for all limited prep events. (See page 12 of the handbook.)
 - ii. Yes, all competitors can ask for time signals in any event. That's totally acceptable.
- c. Event rules:
 - i. The rules for each event will be provided on competition day for all judges to review prior to judging.

8. **FOOD:**

- a. A hospitality room will be available for coaches, judges, and bus drivers.
- b. A concession stand will be available for students to purchase snacks throughout the day.
- c. Lunches must be PRE-ORDERED through www.tabroom.com by Wednesday 1/31/18 at 3:00. We will not order any additional lunches - only what is pre-ordered through tabroom. Please make your students aware of this, collect any money beforehand, and have it available at registration. We are offering two meals:
 - i. Chick-fil-a Meal: Sandwich, chips, and a drink for \$6.00
 - ii. Cheese Pizza Meal: Two slices of cheese pizza, chips, and a drink for \$6.00.

9. **WHAT TO BRING ON COMPETITION DAY:**

- a. Broadcasters need two copies of their round 2 prepared script - one for the judge and one for themselves.
- b. Competitors in Original Oratory and Informative Speaking should turn in one copy of their speeches, complete with an MLA Works Cited Page. (This can be emailed in advance.)
- c. A check made out to KHSSL for registration fees.
- d. Money or a check made out to Beechwood High School for drop fees and pre-ordered pizza meals.

We can't wait to see you in February!