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“Not to defeat each other, but to pace one another on the road to excellence.”



Registration Site for Spring Speech Opens January 23, 2012

The Speech Registration site will open on January 23, 2012. If you have changes to your team after that you will have to contact the state office with the changes – director@whsfa.org. After the changes have been made, you will receive an email copy of the updated.



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Schools Mark One Act Appearances at State Theatre Festival

The Wisconsin High School Theatre Festival in its present format with workshops, showcase performances, university and college reps and one act performances started 20 years ago. This year several schools marked significant attendance records. Three schools have presented one act plays every year since it began its present format in 1991 – Homestead High School, Mequon; Oshkosh West High School and Waunakee High School. Eight schools marked 15 appearances: Appleton North High School; Algoma High School; Luxemburg-Casco High School; Mosinee High School; Owen-Withee High School; Plymouth High School; Pulaski High School and Superior High School. Finally, 12 schools were there celebrating 10 appearances: Burlington High School; West DePere High School; Mary Bradford High School, Kenosha; Tremper High School, Kenosha; Montello High School, Riverdale High School, Muscodia; Platteville High School, Hamilton High School, Sussex; Tomahawk High School; Waukesha Catholic Memorial High School; Waukesha West High School; and Dominican High School, Whitefish Bay.



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Schools Capture 86 Awards at State Theatre Festival in November

39 schools advanced to the 2011 Wisconsin State Theatre Festival and earned an incredible 86 awards.

- Algoma High School** – All State
- Appleton North High School** – Critics Choice, Directing: Ron Parker, and Ensemble Acting
- Ashwaubenon High School** – All State
- Burlington High School** – All State, Acting: Lexie Baker, and Ensemble
- Campbelsport High School** – All State
- Catholic Memorial High School** – Critics Choice, Acting: Alex Gromacki, Kelley Scherrer, Megan Miller, Nico Fernandez and Teddy Delforge, Ensemble Acting, and Directing: Chris Andacht
- Dominican High School** – Critics Choice and Acting: EJ Spencer and Mary Yadgir
- Eau Claire North High School** – All State and Directing: Lucas Risinger
- Fish Creek/Gibraltar High School** – Critics Choice, Ensemble Acting, and Directing: Lizbeth Thomas
- Green Bay West High School** – All State
- Hamilton High School** – All State
- Hartland University Lake School** – All State
- Homestead High School** – Critics Choice, Ensemble Acting, and Directing: Amelia Figg-Franzoi
- Kenosha Bradford High School** – All State

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REMINDER TO ALL SCHOOLS DOING SPEECH:

if you have not secured your time slot for State Speech Festival do so now. **Directions:** go to the web site www.whsfa.org and click on the Speech Tab. You will see “Book a Slot For State,” click on that and follow directions.

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and Acting: Claudio Perrone and Maddie Hailer

Kenosha Tremper High School – Critics Choice, Acting: Luke Walaszek and Robin Feltman, and Directing: Nic Cicerale

Kimberly High School – Critics Choice, Ensemble Acting, and Directing: Michael Travia

Lakeland Union High School – All State and Acting: Frank Africano

Loyal High School – Critics Choice and Ensemble Acting

Luxemburg-Casco High School – All State

Manitowoc Lincoln High School – All State, Ensemble Acting, and Directing: Bill Hansen

Montello High School – All State and Ensemble Acting

Mosinee High School – All State

Neenah High School – Critics Choice, Acting: Charlie Nelson and Sammi Price, Ensemble Acting, and Directing: Jane Dix

Oconto Falls High School – All State

Oshkosh West High School – All State and Ensemble Acting

Owen-Withee High School – Critics Choice, Acting: Valerie Niemi, Ensemble Acting, and Directing: Jeffer Scheuer and Julie Van Ark

Pewaukee High School – All State

Platteville High School – All State

Plymouth High School – All State

Pulaski High School – All State and Acting: Nelsan DeCleene

Regis High School – All State and Acting: Zack Pickard

Riverdale High School – All State

Superior High School – All State, Acting: Kate Bergum, Ensemble Acting, and Directing: Amber Goodspeed

Tomahawk High School – All State

University School of Milwaukee – All State and Acting: Sam Levatic

Waukesha West High School – Critics Choice, Ensemble Acting, and Directing: Nathan Berish and Maria Brink

Waunakee High School – All State

West De Pere High School – All State

Whitefish Bay High School – All State and Acting Katie Bentley

Book a Slot for State

The new method of signing up for State Speech Festival time slots was extremely successful. Sign-up began November 1, 2011, and the 5:30 P.M. Round, which continues to be the most popular, and was full by 10 a.m. on November 1. Several coaches made the mistake of trying to register rather than Book a Slot for State. As of this writing, there are still openings in the 7:00 p.m. time slot.

Board of Control Welcomes New Chairs for District 14

Michael Seyller resigned from the Board of Control in late October. Chuck Malone appointed Bernadette Elverman from Westosha Central High School and Amy Koszarek from Waterford Union High School to replace Seyller as co-chairs for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year. Any District 14 coach or administrator interested in having his/her name added to the Spring 2012 Ballot should contact the State Office no later than April 1, 2012.

State Speech Judge Requirement Changes this year

When you register your team this year, you will find that the number of required judges you must supply for State Speech has changed. This year 1-9 entries will require one judge, 10-19 entries will require two judges, and 20 plus entries will require three judges.

Speech Allows 12 Entries between Prose, Poetry and Farrago

During the 2011 speech season, schools were allowed to have 12 entries between Prose Reading, Poetry Reading and Farrago. There seemed to be some confusion about the rule change. A school, under the new rule, can enter four students in Poetry Reading; four students in Prose Reading and four students in Farrago. Some coaches thought they could use those 12 entries any way they would like. For example, they could enter six in Poetry Reading and six in Prose Reading. The rule clearly reads a total of four entries in each category not to exceed 12 entries.

WHSFA Theatre Director Hall of Fame



Eleven directors from all over the state were inducted in the inaugural class of the WHSFA Theatre Director's Hall of Fame on Thursday, November 17, 2011. The director's names appear on a plaque that will travel each year to be displayed at the Wisconsin High School Theatre Festival. The inductees also received a lovely marble clock with an inscription "WHSFA Theatre Director Hall of Fame".

Those inducted were: Ron Parker from Tremper High School in Kenosha and Appleton North High School; Clare McCain (retired) from Homestead High School in Mequon; Rick Braun from Waunakee High School; Jym Clark (retired) from Whitnall High School; David Loos (retired) from Algoma High School; Ted Moskonas (retired) from Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln High School; Tom Thaney from Brookfield Central High School and Wauwatosa East High School; Herb Stoltenberg from Plymouth High School; Michael Sherfinski from Mosinee High School and Diana Heagle (retired) from Mukwonago High School and Waukesha West High School.

