



STATE SPEECH NEWS

In October the State Office will send a time preference card for State Speech - 1995 to Speech coaches. The cards must be returned to the State Office **no later than October 31st**. In November the cards will be divided into groups according to first preference, then we will draw 90 cards from each group. You will be notified what time you received. There are three things you should remember:

1. Fill out in order of preference with (1) being your first choice, (2) second choice, etc., completing all choices.
2. Make certain to note if you are traveling with another school(s).
3. Mail ASAP to ensure it reaches us by October 31st.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated. Reminder - You are not guaranteed your chosen time period - there are scheduling limitations.

DISTRICT DEBATE INFORMATION

Schools indicating on their WHSFA membership registration card that they will be participating in Debate this year should have received an "Intent to Participate" form with the Addendum. This is your commitment to attend a District Debate tournament. This form needs to be returned to the State Office by October 14th. Assignments to District sites will be made by the Board of Control at their fall meeting based on the returns. Schools will be notified accordingly.

Also included in the mailing was a "Judging Philosophy" form. This should be completed by any individual you are likely to use for WHSFA Debate activities.

NEW WHSFA BOARD MEMBERS

We welcome five new members to the WHSFA Board of Control.

Roxi Wakeen, a teacher from Baldwin-Woodville High School, is the new Section I Chair. Roxi also serves on the WHSFA Speech Advisory Committee. She will represent teachers/coaches from Districts 1, 3 and 4.

John Culbertson, a teacher from Waterloo High School, is the newly elected Section III Chair. John will be representing teachers/coaches from Districts 7, 8 and 10.

Lee Bjurquist is the new District 3 Chair. He is the District Administrator of the Colfax School District.

John Olig, Principal, Pittsville High School, is the newly appointed District 5 Chair.

The new District 10 Chair is **Sam Jonas**, Administrative Assistant at Lancaster High School.

Welcome to you all! Your willingness to serve is greatly appreciated!!

THANK YOU!!

WHSFA wishes to extend a "Thank You" to outgoing Board of Control members Carla Traun (Section I), Peg Doering (Section III), Mark Collins (District 3), Richard Adams (District 5) and Nancy Hendrickson (District 10).

Your involvement in WHSFA activities has been appreciated!

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Check with your business office or call the State Office to ensure that your 1994-95 registration card has been completed and returned to the State Office.

It is important that we have the correct name(s) of the personnel coaching Theatre, Debate, Speech and Middle Level programs. Without these names, we cannot guarantee that important materials will reach the correct person.

New mailing lists are now being generated. If you have not already returned your completed registration card, please do so as soon as possible.

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WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL FORENSIC ASSOCIATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Information from your response to this questionnaire will be shared with the WHSFA Board of Control. Please return no later than October 15, 1994. Thank you for your help.

1-A. Do you favor allowing a maximum of four (4) entries in the WHSFA category of Group Interpretive Reading?
Please circle: YES or NO

Comments

1-B. If yes, do you favor decreasing the maximum time limit in Group Interpretive Reading to ten (10) minutes?
Please circle: YES or NO

2-A. Do you favor allowing a maximum of four (4) entries in the WHSFA category of Play Acting?
Please circle: YES or NO

Comments

2-B. If yes, do you favor decreasing the maximum time limit in Play Acting to ten (10) minutes?
Please circle: YES or NO

** Note: Increasing the number of entries allowed in these categories would NOT change the total number of entries allowed - it would remain at 25 entries.*

3. Do you favor allowing the use of dramatic literature in the WHSFA category of Group Interpretive Reading?
Please Circle: YES or NO

Comments

Be sure to return or fax (608) 882-6661 by October 15!

Name _____ School _____

WHSFA ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The Speech, Theatre and Middle Level Advisory committees met during the summer months. Highlights of those meetings follow:

WHSFA SPEECH ADVISORY COMMITTEE JUNE 9, 1994 - Portage

In attendance were: Dorothy Berg, Toni Johnson, Craig Lehnher, Clare McCain, Roxi Wakeen, WHSFA Advisor Michael Price and J. Peter Shaw, WHSFA Executive Director. Also attending were Lynda Luce and Ron Steinhorst, WFCFA.

Following the approval of the minutes from the June 28, 1993 meeting, the following issues were discussed and/or recommendations were made:

- Discussion occurred regarding setting guidelines for judges expenses at State Speech. The guidelines will be made known to all potential hired judges.
- A new Speech Handbook will be published this fall. All of the category changes will be in the Handbook.
- It was approved by consensus to change the maximum time limit of Extemporaneous Speaking from eight (8) minutes to seven (7) minutes.

- It was proposed to increase the number of entries in Group Interpretative Reading and Play Acting to four (4) groups each and decrease the maximum time limit to ten (10) minutes. An additional proposal was to allow dramatic literature to be used in Group Interpretative Reading. The committee recommended the State Office conduct a membership survey regarding these proposals (see back page).

WHSFA Theatre Advisory Committee June 22, 1994 - UW-Whitewater

In attendance were WHSFA Advisor Skip Grover, Sue Luterbach, Chuck Malone, J. Peter Shaw, WHSFA Executive Director and Harv Thompson, UW-Madison CEA representative. After approval of the February 1, 1994 minutes, the committee reviewed the following:

- A revised Theatre Evaluation Sheet was developed.
- A "Sectional Qualifier" medal will be available for Theatre. This medal will replace the "State Qualifier" medal.
- Plans continue for the November 17-19, 1994 Theatre Festival to be held at UW-Whitewater. The Barnett and Festival Theaters will be used as WHSFA performance areas.
- The committee discussed results from the survey sent to schools regarding date preference for Theatre Festival. Of the thirty-five (35) responses received, twenty-five (25) preferred the weekend prior to Thanksgiving; ten (10) preferred the first weekend in December.
- An Orientation Program for evaluators at District, Sectional and State levels was discussed. The committee decided to reconsider a formal certification program for Theatre. It was suggested instead that an evaluator orientation be held at District, Sectional and State Festivals.

WHSFA Middle Level Advisory Committee August 3, 1994 - UW-Eau Claire

In attendance were: WHSFA Advisor Margie Stone, Wally Hoffman, Al Schancer, Ken Thames, Bob DeMuth, DPI representative and J. Peter Shaw, WHSFA Executive Director.

- After approval of the August 17, 1993 minutes, the committee welcomed newly appointed committee member Cheryl Campbell from DeForest Middle School.
- Shaw reported that the 1994 Participation Report showed 4,041 Level I entries from 124 schools at 17 sites. At Level II, there were 3,188 entries from 118 schools at 11 sites. Additional sites are needed at both levels to keep the size of these festivals more manageable.
- The committee chose The Grasshopper Trap by Patrick McManus for Extemporaneous Reading in 1994-95. Extemporaneous Speaking topics will be "Coming Information Age" and "Domestic Abuse." Topics for Special Occasion Speeches for 1994-95 will remain the same as in 1993-94.
- The committee expressed interest in presenting a panel workshop on Middle Level Forensics at the WAMLE convention in Stevens Point on Friday, April 28, 1995. A program application has been submitted and the State Office will notify committee of results.

NATIONAL FEDERATION MEETING

The National Federation of State High School Associations met in St. Louis on August 5-7, 1994. Wisconsin was represented by WHSFA Executive Director J. Peter Shaw.

The following three international topic areas were chosen for your consideration in regard to the 1995-96 debate season:

What should be the policy of the United States Government toward:

- AFRICA
- CHINA
- RUSSIA AND/OR UKRAINE

A ballot for specific resolutions was sent with the Debate Addendum to schools registered in Debate for study and consideration. Voting on topic choices will be conducted in December and announced in January. In March, schools will vote on the specific resolution for the chosen topic area.

WHSFA BOARD OF CONTROL TO MEET

The WHSFA Board of Control will meet in Madison on October 25-26, 1994 at the Inn on the Park. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. on October 25th and continues its deliberations on October 26th at 9:00 a.m. If you wish to have a concern placed on the agenda, you should contact either your District Chair or the State Office (608) 882-6004.

SPEECH ADJUDICATION

Speech Adjudicator Workshops will be held around the State during the 1994-95 school year. Remember that each school must provide a certified judge for State. If you or your judges are not certified - now's the time!

If you are interested in attending any of the listed workshops and do not receive registration materials or you wish to host an Adjudicator Workshop - call the State office at (608) 882-6004.

Recertification for speech adjudicators will continue this fall. If your certification expires at the end of 1994, you will be notified by the State Office. You will be asked to request and successfully complete the Speech Adjudicator Self-Test. There is no fee for recertification.

WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL FORENSIC ASSOCIATION SPEECH ADJUDICATION WORKSHOPS 1994-95

LOCATION	DATE	TIME
Baldwin-Woodville H.S.	September 28, 1994 (Wednesday)	6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Sussex-Hamilton H.S.	October 8, 1994 (Saturday)	9:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Platteville	October 15, 1994 (Saturday) <i>UW-Platteville</i>	9:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Madison	Oct. 27-WEAC Convention (Thursday)	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Rice Lake	Nov. 2, 1994 (Wednesday) <i>UW-Barron County</i>	5:00 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.
Arcadia	November 9, 1994 (Wednesday)	4:30 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Fond du Lac Goodrich	November 28, 1994 (Monday)	4:30 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Wauwatosa West	December 7, 1994 (Wednesday)	6:00 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.

MIDDLE LEVEL FESTIVAL SITES

The following dates and sites have been set for Middle Level speech events in 1995. More sites are needed!!! Please consider hosting a Festival. The Association reimburses you for expensed incurred while hosting a Festival. Please call the State Office (608) 882-6004 if you are willing to serve as host.

1995 FESTIVAL SITES

LEVEL I

DATE	SITE	CONTACT
1/28/95	J.F. Luther Middle School (Fort Atkinson)	Scott Arndt
1/30/95	Marathon Elementary	Helen Weber
2/04/95	Maplewood Middle School (Menasha)	James La Belle
2/07/95	Eastside Lutheran School (Madison)	Michael Wilde
2/07/95	Franklin Middle School (Green Bay)	Pat Jensen
2/07/95	Hamilton Middle School (Madison)	Julie DeWitt
2/09/95	Park Falls Junior High School	Richard Ross
2/09/95	South Middle School (Eau Claire)	Ken Thames
2/09/95	Spooner Middle School	Theresa Shelton
2/11/95	McKinley Junior High School (Kenosha)	Dean Kuhlman
2/11/95	Whitefish Bay Middle School	Barbara Hoppe
2/13/95	Wabeno Junior High School	Clare Huisman
2/16/95	Glenbrook School (Pulaski)	Jill Miller
T.B.A.	Suring	Nancy Morstad

LEVEL II

T.B.A.	Manawa Middle School	Elaine Zuge
2/21/95	Edgar Middle School	Karen Heil
2/25/95	Little Chute Middle School	Bob Klozotsky
3/02/95	Lombardi Junior High School (Green Bay)	Lois Plantico
3/02/95	Luxemburg-Casco Middle School	Cara Lindsley
3/02/95	Tomahawk Middle School	Nancy Herbison
3/09/95	De Long Middle School (Eau Claire)	Ken Thames
3/09/95	Bayview Middle School (Green Bay)	Kathy Hoppe
3/11/95	Washington Junior High School (Kenosha)	Catherine Moore

WHSFA PUBLICATIONS

The new Speech Handbook and Theatre Handbook have been sent to all WHSFA member schools. These handbooks were sent to the attention of the Principal of each school.

A 1994 Addendum to the 1993-95 Debate Handbook has been sent to WHSFA member schools indicating participation in Debate. The Addendum was sent to the attention of the Debate coach.

An Addendum to the 1993-95 Middle Level Handbook has been sent to all school registered for membership in the WHSFA Middle Level Division.

Important new information is available in all publications - please read carefully!

The forensic coaches organization has provided the WHSFA with the following calendar.

WFCFA 1995 Festival Tournament Calendar

Jan. 21	Pulaski Festival (WI)
27	Omro Congress
28	WI Lutheran Festival
Feb. 3	Winneconne Congress
3-4	NFL Northern/Southern Debate (Sheboygan North)
4	Hortonville Tourney Juneau Festival Waukegan Tourney
6	New London Festival
10	Hortonville Congress
11	Lodi Tournament Winneconne Tourney Omro Novice Tourney West Bend East/West Tournament
18	Algoma Tournament Milwaukee Marshall Festival Wautoma (small schools/by invitation only)
25	Whitewater Tournament Sheboygan South Tournament SPASH Tournament
Mar. 3	Appleton East Congress
4	Appleton East Tournament
10	New London Congress
11	New London Tournament Nicolet Tournament WHSFA Subdistrict Speech (Latest Date)
17	Waupaca Congress
18	Brookfield East (?) Hartford Union Tournament Waupaca Tournament
24	Sheboygan North Congress
25	(CFL District - Milwaukee) Sheboygan North Tournament WHSFA District Speech (Latest Date)
30-31-1	NFL Northern/Southern
Apr. 1	Milwaukee City Pulaski
7	WFCFA State Congress UW-O
8	WFCFA State Tournament
21-22	WHSFA State Speech (UW-Madison)