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WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE FESTIVAL

UW-LaCrosse - November 18-19-20, 1999

Hosted by UW-LaCrosse Department of Theatre Arts and Viterbo College



1999-2001 WHSFA TWO-YEAR CALENDAR

Subdistrict dates and the dates for District Debate, Theatre, and Speech are the latest dates the events may be held. Dates for Sectional Theatre and all State Senior Division events are firm.

1999-2000	Theatre (1999)	Debate (2000)	Speech (2000)	Middle Level Division (2000)
Subdistrict	Oct. 16		March 4	Feb. 12, Level I
District	Oct. 23	Jan. 15	March 18	(Latest Date)
Sectional	Nov. 5-6			
State	Nov. 19-20 (UW-LaCrosse)	Jan. 27-29 (4 & 2 SP) (UW-Oshkosh)	April 14-15 (UW-Madison)	Mar. 4, Level II (Latest Date)
Board Meetings	Sep. 8, 1999 (Madison) May 4-5, 2000 (Neenah)		Thanksgiving Easter	November 25, 1999 April 23, 2000
2000-2001	Theatre (2000)	Debate (2001)	Speech (2001)	Middle Level Division (2001)
Subdistrict	Oct. 14		February 24	Feb. 10, Level I
District	Oct. 21	Jan. 13	March 10	(Latest Date)
Sectional	Nov. 3-4			
State	Nov. 17-18 (UW-Whitewater)	Jan. 25-27 (4 & 2 SP) (UW-Oshkosh)	April 6-7 (UW-Madison)	Mar. 3, Level II (Latest Date)
Board Meetings	Sep. 13, 2000 (Madison) May 3-4, 2001		Thanksgiving Easter	November 23, 2000 April 15, 2001

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WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL FORENSIC ASSOCIATION EXCELLENCE IN SPEECH 1999

- District 1:** Superior - Gary Banker, Speech Coach
District 2: Niagara - Terry Grippen, Speech Coach
District 3: St. Croix Falls - Susan Voskamp, Speech Coach
District 5: Pittsville - Dorothy Berg, Speech Coach
District 6: Pulaski - Diane Sabo, Speech Coach
District 7: Kickapoo (Viola), JoAnn Groves/Sherri Yttri, Speech Coaches
LaCrescent, MN - Darryle Clott, Speech Coach
District 8: DeForest - Joe CaPaul, Speech Coach
Dodgeland (Juneau) - Elizabeth Briemann, Speech Coach
Lodi - Mark Kohl, Speech Coach
Necedah - Kathleen Kennedy, Speech Coach
Waunakee - Rick Braun, Speech Coach
District 9: Winnebago Lutheran (Fond du lac) - David Lauber, Speech Coach
Ozaukee (Fredonia) - Bob Chesney/Michelle Röckelman, Speech Coaches
Lomira - Bonnie Tagliapietra, Speech Coach
St. Lawrence Seminary (Mt. Calvary) - Rev. Gary Wegner, Speech Coach
Oshkosh West - Tom Lynch, Speech Coach
District 10: Cassville - Donna Williams, Speech Coach
Darlington - Leona Havens, Speech Coach
District 11: Middleton - Dan Stuntebeck, Speech Coach
District 12/13: Wisconsin Lutheran (Milwaukee) - Carol Krause, Speech Coach
District 14: Burlington - John Oberwetter/Nancy Satola, Speech Coaches
East Troy - Claudia Felske, Speech Coach
Greendale - Sharon Sharko/Dale Shikowski, Speech Coaches
Whitnall (Greenfield), Jennie Jerger, Speech Coach

These schools, representing the top 5% of the 386 schools participating at the WHSFA State Speech Festival, held April 16-17, 1999, at UW-Madison, were honored with the WHSFA "Excellence in Speech" Award. Every student who participated earned points for their school. Each entry is awarded the following points: Gold - Critic's Choice (4 points); Silver - All State (3 points); Bronze - Finalist (2 points); Small Bronze - Achievement (1 point).

The schools in the top 5% for 1999 earned between 68 and 88 team points.

THEATRE CAMP

The UW-Whitewater Theatre Camp, now in its 19th year, will be held July 25-31, 1999. It provides an excellent opportunity for high school students (entering grades 10-12) with a strong interest in theatre to spend a week learning and working in a modern university theatre facility. The camp has two areas of concentration - acting and design/technical theatre. The daily schedule provides classes in the morning and work on scenes in the afternoons and evenings. The scenes are presented in the Theatre/Dance Department's Barnett Theatre at the end of the week.

The UW-Whitewater Theatre Camp is directed by Dr. Charles "Skip" Grover, theatre advisor to the Wisconsin High School Forensic Association. Dr. Grover is also recognized as one of the state's leaders in theater education and has a long-standing commitment to high school theatre. Those interested in registering for the UW-Whitewater Theatre Camp should contact the Department of Continuing Education at 1-800-622-0350. Application deadline is July 5, 1999.

SPEECH ADJUDICATION WORKSHOPS

Hosting a WHSFA Adjudication workshop is easy and fun - and all hosting schools may send one participant at no charge. We take care of all registration and instruction - you simply provide a room, a chalkboard, VCR and monitor. If you are interested in hosting a workshop at your school, please select a date and time, then contact the State Office at 608/882-6004. Becoming a Certified Speech Adjudicator is accomplished by successfully completing/passing the WHSFA Adjudicator Orientation Workshop.

A reminder - WHSFA certified judges are now required at the Subdistrict, District and State level. If you are planning to use colleagues or non-school personnel as judges, please make sure they have current WHSFA adjudication certification.

THEATRE - DEBATE - SPEECH CAMPS - INSTITUTES WORKSHOPS

ARTS WORLD

UW-Stevens Point, June 27-July 3, 1999
Call 715/346-3956

MUSICAL THEATRE AND DANCE CAMP

UW-Stevens Point, July 11-17, 1999
Call 715/346-3956

THEATRE CAMP

UW-Whitewater, July 25-31, 1999
Call 1-800-622-0350

REDHAWK FORENSICS INSTITUTE

Ripon College, July 25-31, 1999
Call 920/748-8712

DEBATE INSTITUTES

UW-Marquette, July 24-August 7, 1999
Call 414/288-5500

FORENSICS WORKSHOP

UW-Whitewater, August 1-6, 1999
Call 1-800-622-0350

*** TEACHERS WORKSHOP ***

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY SUMMER THEATER WORKSHOP '99

July 6-8, 1999
July 12-13, 1999 (8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.)
Call 414/288-3391

Special theatre workshop for middle and high school teachers of English, Drama, and Music.

MIDDLE LEVEL FESTIVAL HOSTS NEEDED!

Host schools are needed for both Level I and Level II festivals for the 1999-2000 school year. If you are interested in hosting a workshop but have never done so before, remember that Middle Level Advisory Committee members are available for advice and support. The latest date to host a Level I Festival is February 12, 2000, and the latest date for Level II is March 4, 2000. Please contact Deb at the State Office with the date of your festival: 10 East Main Street, Evansville, WI 53536 - phone: 608/882-6004 - fax: 608/882-6661 - email: whasfa@inwave.com.

SPEECH SURVEY

A survey for all speech coaches was recently sent out from the State Office. Please complete and return the self-mailer or fax 608/882-6661 as soon as possible. Results and comments will be discussed at the WHSFA Speech Advisory Committee meeting on June 4, 1999.

ADJUDICATION WORKSHOPS FOR 1999-2000

Below is the current listing of scheduled WHSFA Speech Adjudication workshops for 1999-2000:

Jefferson High School -
Tuesday, September 7, 1999
4:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Webster High School
Monday, October 11, 1999

WEAC Convention (Milwaukee)
Thursday, October 28, 1999

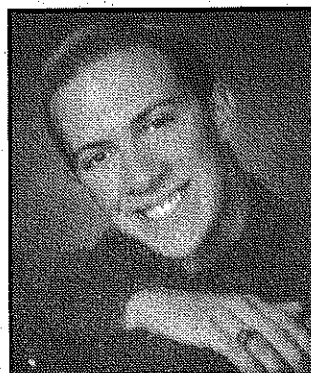
Blackhawk High School (South Wayne)
Saturday, December 18, 1999
8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The following have indicated a willingness to host a workshop. Specific dates have not been established as of press time.

Glidden High School, Abundant Life Christian School - Madison, Tomahawk High School, Pittsville High School

Congratulations

Greendale High School is proud to recognize Michael Endter, a GHS senior, who achieved his fourth "Critics Choice Award" at WHSFA State Speech. Well done Michael!



1999 STATE SPEECH FESTIVAL RESULTS

DISTRICT	SCHOOLS	ENTRIES	ACTUAL STUDENTS	CRITICS CHOICE	ALL STATE	FINALIST	ACHIEVEMENT	NO SHOW	EXCELLENCE IN SPEECH
1	24	240	389	57	87	82	10	12	1
2	31	291	422	78	124	72	11	6	1
3	27	279	402	83	112	73	6	5	1
4	24	232	318	58	97	64	9	4	0
5	35	389	573	78	159	119	25	9	1
6	27	275	356	81	111	57	8	18	1
7	33	293	411	84	120	81	6	2	2
8	33	428	547	126	158	117	15	12	5
9	32	435	583	124	181	108	15	9	5
10	32	350	480	106	134	98	7	5	2
11	27	291	349	63	105	98	14	11	1
12/13	30	298	341	89	107	76	13	13	1
14	31	352	427	110	136	84	9	13	4
TOTALS	386	4,161	5,598	1,137	1,630	1,127	148	119	25
				(27.5%)	(39%)	(27%)	(3.5%)	(3%)	(5%)

ADVISORY COMMITTEES TO MEET

The Speech Advisory Committee will meet on Friday, June 4, 1999, in Madison, the Theatre Advisory Committee will meet on Thursday, July 22, 1999, in Whitewater, the Debate Advisory Committee will meet Thursday, June 24, 1999 in Oshkosh, and the Middle Level Advisory Committee will meet on Monday, August 9, 1999, in Wisconsin Rapids. If you have any questions or concerns you wish to have addressed by any of these committees, please contact the State Office at 608/882-6004. Committee members may also be contacted - names and telephone numbers are listed in the current Speech/Theatre/Debate/Middle Level handbooks/addendum.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The WHSFA State Office has received the following information regarding available teaching positions for 1999-2000.

APPLETON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT - THEATRE/SPEECH TEACHER AND DRAMA DIRECTOR

Applications accepted until the position is filled. Indications of interest received before May 21, 1999 will be guaranteed consideration.

To indicate interest and obtain further details about the position, contact Barry O'Connor or Karen Gibson, Appleton North High School, 920/832-4300.

WISCONSIN RAPIDS LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL

Applications are needed as soon as possible! Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln High School is seeking an individual with teaching licensure 320 and ability to direct a solid program of forensics and debate.

To indicate interest or obtain further details, contact Gus Mancuso, Principal, Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln High School, 715/423-1520.

PINE CREST SCHOOL - FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

Pine Crest has an opening for 1999-2000 for an English teacher and forensics coach. Pine Crest is an independent/private pre K-12 school with 2500 students on two campuses in Ft. Lauderdale and Boca Raton, Florida.

Questions can be addressed to Lee Turner by phone at the office 954/492-4154 or at home 954/971-6629.

1999 STATE SPEECH T-SHIRTS

The 1999 State Speech t-shirts were a great hit - we sold out and needed to re-order. A few are still available - contact the State Office at 608/882-6004. \$10.00 each - we will mail - L and XL only - while supply lasts. First calls - first served!

FOUND AT STATE SPEECH

Various items - several of value - were turned in at the State Speech Festival in Madison on April 16-17, 1999. **Coaches, please check with your students concerning any items lost at State Speech.** We are eager for these items to be claimed. Contact the State Office at 608/882-6004 with a description.

WHSFA BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING

The spring meeting of the WHSFA Board of Control was held at the Heidel House, Green Lake, on Thursday, April 28, 1999.

Some highlights of the meeting include:

- Membership to date for 1998-1999:
Senior Division - 410
Middle Level - 142
- Middle Level Participation Report:
Level I (21 sites) - 3,759 students from 136 schools
Level II (14 sites) - 3,117 students from 132 schools
- All advisory committees will meet this summer (see related article this issue).

- WHSFA Speech Adjudication Program:
-- 28 WHSFA Adjudication Workshops were held in 1998-99.
-- 314 individuals were newly certified
-- 228 individuals were recertified.
-- 1,835 individuals are currently certified.
-- 2,556 individuals have enrolled in adjudication workshops since they began.

- James Paplham is stepping down as District 6 Chair after 3 years of dedicated service to his district and to the WHSFA Board of Control. Thanks Jim - we wish you well!

THEATRE FESTIVAL 1999

Mark your calendars now for November 18, 19, 20, 1999 and set your sites on UW-LaCrosse, our host school for the Wisconsin High School Theatre Festival. The Department of Theatre Arts at UW-LaCrosse will provide the facilities necessary to hold the myriad of workshops and performances that are designed to create a truly educational three-day event. Viterbo College will serve as host for showcase performances on Thursday and Friday evenings. You are encouraged to attend this event with your students for the entire time to benefit from the many learning opportunities that will be made available.

Watch your mailbox for more detailed information. If you have any questions in the meantime, please call the WHSFA State Office at 608/882-6004.

WHSFA MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION CARDS

The 1999-2000 WHSFA membership registration cards have been sent to principals of all member schools - Middle Level and Senior Division. Annual dues will remain the same for the 1999-2000 school year and are payable on or before September 15th. The State Office would appreciate the registration cards returned, with personnel listed, as soon as possible. This will help us get handbooks/addendum and other important material which are mailed in early fall to the correct people. Thank you for your help.

WHSFA REMEMBERING...

15 Years Ago - May, 1984

Wisconsin debate schools have chosen the following resolution for 1984-85. Resolved: That the federal government should provide employment for all employable United States citizens living in poverty.

10 Years Ago - May, 1989

WHSFA is pleased to welcome Dr. Larry Weiss to the position of Junior Division Advisor. Larry is no stranger to WHSFA - he coached Forensics for the Waunakee school system for eight years and has been a WHSFA State Speech Adjudicator for a number of years.

5 Years Ago - May, 1994

The State Office received a letter from John Oberwetter and Nancy Satola proudly informing us that Sean Ritchie of the Burlington High School forensic team had earned his fourth consecutive "Critics Choice Award" at the WHSFA State Speech Festival.

1 Year Ago - May, 1998

Waunakee High School is proud to recognize Tim Michael - a four time "Critics Choice Award" winner at the WHSFA State Speech Festival.