

Hosted by Glacier High November 5th, 2016

Dear Colleagues:

You are cordially invited to attend the 2016 Kalispell Kickoff Classic Speech & Debate Tournament to be held at Glacier High School on November 5th.

Register at Forensics Tournament.net for registration: http://www.forensicstournament.net/. The site is very straightforward and will allow you to manage your entry until 4:00PM on Wednesday, Nov. 2. However, we do ask that you send an email to Greg Adkins indicating the best estimate entry by 4:00PM on Oct. 17 and a final registration by Friday, October 28th.

You will be able to make changes until Nov. 2 without penalty. If you have former competitors, coaches or parents in the Kalispell Area who would like to judge, please pass along the following link and have them sign themselves up: http://www.kalispellspeechdebate.org/.

Please send emails and all additional inquiries to Greg Adkins (adkinsg@sd5.k12.mt.us)

Registration Information:

- All events will be held at Glacier High (375 Wolfpack Way, Kalispell, MT). If registration numbers (on October 31) warrant we may also use Flathead High School. You will be notified if we need to make this change.
- ➤ We will offer the traditional AA Speech & Debate events. Speech students may double enter. Reminder that "ABC" entries use the "AA" rules in all events including interp.
- Initial Email registration due by Wednesday, Oct. 17 at 4:00PM. This registration does not need names, but rather just total numbers in each event. Please make this number as accurate as possible since it will be the number used to see if we can accommodate JV entries.
- > Final registration due by Friday, October 28th at 4:00PM.
- ➤ Varsity teams are limited to 42 total entries (with no more than four in any event). You may bring JV entries depending on space. Our intention is to allow all JV entries, but we will make a final determination as to number of JV entries allowed based on the initial registrations on Oct. 17. At that time, I will let people know whether the JV they have entered need to be dropped or trimmed. Double-entered students may compete Varsity in one event, and JV in a secondary event, however they will have different codes and their speaking order will not be protected by the computer program. For example Mara Mercer can enter in Oratory as Varsity member and Impromptu as a JV member.
- ➤ If you plan to bring JV entries, create an account on Forensics Tournament for the JV squad. If your JV Squad has more than 4 entries in an event, the site will make you create another JV team and so on (for example if Flathead has 6 JV HOI kids, enter 4 on Flathead JV Black, and enter the other 2 on Flathead JV Orange).
- > Varsity and Novice divisions will be offered in Policy and LD. All other events are open division.
- ➤ Policy, Public Forum and LD Debate will compete in four preliminary rounds with a hidden final round pairing 1v2 and 3v4.
- > We plan to run semifinal rounds for all other events unless low entries dictate otherwise.
- > JV Debate entries will be blocked from hitting debaters on their schools' varsity squads and all debate rounds will be pre-paired protecting schools from hitting their own teams.

Fees & Logistics:

- There will be no on-site registration this year. All double-checking and changes will be done by coaches via Forensics Tournament and, after 4:00PM on Nov. 2, via email. Please expect an e-mail on Friday, Nov. 4 with final codes and registration.
- We will offer all of the MHSA "AA" events. Sweepstake Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in "AA" and the top three finishers in "ABC". All finalists will receive an award.
- > Full concessions will be available on site.
- ➤ There will be a \$5.00 fee assessed to all registered competitors on the 10/31/16 roster.
- There will be no fees for drops, adds, or changes up to Wednesday, Nov. 2 at 4:00PM. Any changes after Wednesday 4:00PM will be assessed a \$5.00 penalty. **Changes on Saturday, November 5th. will cost \$20.00!**
- > Fees must be paid within 30 days of the tournament. You will receive a bill after the tournament. Please do not bring cash or checks to the tournament.

Topics:

Policy: Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its economic and/or diplomatic engagement with the People's Republic of China

Public Forum: Resolved: On balance, the benefits of the Internet of Things outweigh the harms of decreased personal privacy.

Lincoln/Douglas: Resolved: Countries ought to prohibit the production of nuclear power. **Legislative Debate:** Foreign: Tibetan Autonomous Region & Domestic: Health Care

Schedule of Events

Saturday, 5 November:

8:00 AM Round I begins for all competitors

10:00 AM Round II for all 12:00 PM Round III for all

2:30 PM Semifinals and Round IV (Policy, PF, LD)

5:00 PM Finals for all

7:30 PM Awards Ceremony begins in the **GHS Performance Hall**

Extemp Draw will be 30 minutes prior to each round.