



Dear Colleague:

The Northwest College Forensic staff and students extend to you a cordial invitation to attend the *51st Annual Trapper Rendezvous Forensic Tournament for High Schools* to be held on the Northwest campus in Powell, Wyoming, **January 7-8, 2022. Because of the COVID pandemic, NWC administration requires that everyone wear masks when inside any buildings, except when a student is performing in competition.**

The 2022 Trapper Rendezvous will feature six preliminary rounds of Cross Examination, LD, and Public Forum debate in one open division and LD debate. All debate teams with winning records will advance to elimination rounds.

We offer one open division of individual events, featuring competition in eight events divided into two patterns. We will have three preliminary and two elimination rounds, as entries warrant. The events are Extemporaneous Speaking, Dramatic Interpretation, Humorous Interpretation, Program Oral Interpretation, Informative Speaking, Duet Interpretation, Poetry Interpretation, and Oratory. We also will hold three sessions of Student Congress.

Cross Examination debate competitors will NOT be able to enter individual events, public forum debate, or student congress (This allows us to run six rounds in CX). *Please note: LD and Public Forum debaters may enter **only one IE event**, which cannot be extemp, but do so at their own risk. LD and PF competitors also may not enter Student Congress.* We will not make adjustments and it is up to students to make sure they get to all of their rounds.

Please make your students aware of the following opportunity: The top debate student and the top individual events competitor will each receive a \$2000 scholarship should they choose to attend NWC and compete in forensics.

Tournament entry will be facilitated through the website “forensicstournament.net”. Entries must be completed by 10:00pm Tuesday, **January 4, 2022.**

We are looking forward to you and your squad joining us for the challenging competition.

Yours truly,
Jeannie Hunt, Ed.D
Bob Becker, Ph.D.
Forensics Coaches

Michael Neuffer
President
Charlotte Patrick Speech and Debate
Society

The 51st Annual Trapper Rendezvous Tournament for High Schools

Individual Events Schedule

Friday, January 7, 2022

10:00-11:30 Coaches check-in and final registration
12:00 – Rd 1 Pattern A: Humor, Poetry, Inf
 Extemp Speaking Draw
12:30 – Rd 1 Extemp Speaking
1:45 – Rd 1 Pattern B: Drama, Duet,
 Oratory, POI
3:15 – Rd 2 Pattern B: Drama, Duet,
 Oratory, POI
4:30 – Rd 2 Pattern A: Humor, Poetry, Inf
 Extemp Speaking Draw
5:00 – Rd 2 Extemp Speaking
5:30 - Dinner Break
6:30 – Rd 3 Pattern A: Humor, Poetry, Inf
 Extemp Speaking Draw
7:00 – Rd 3 Extemp Speaking

Saturday, January 8, 2022

8:00 – Rd 3 Pattern B: Drama, Duet,
 Oratory, POI
8:30 - Pattern A Ballot Verification
 (Coaches Only)
9:15 – Extemp Speaking Draw for
Semifinals
9:45 – Semi Pattern A: Poe, Hum, Inf, Ext.
10:15 – Pattern B Ballot Verification
 (Coaches Only)
11:30 – Lunch Break
12:30 – Semi Pattern B: Dra, Duet, Ora.,
POI
1:45 – Extemp Speaking Draw for Finals
2:30pm - Finals: All Events
5:00pm Awards

Debate Events Schedule

Friday, January 7, 2022

10:00-11:30am – Coaches check-in and final registration
12:00 – Rd 1 All Team, LD Debate
1:00 – Student Congress Planning Session
1:30 – Student Congress, Session 1
1:45 – Rd 2 All Team, LD Debate
3:15 – Rd 3 All Team, LD Debate
5:30 – Dinner Break
6:30 – Rd 4 – All Team, LD Debate
6:30 – Student Congress: Session 2

Saturday, January 8, 2022

8:00 – Rd 5 All Team, LD Debate
8:30 – Student Congress: Session 3
9:45 – Rd 6 All Team, LD Debate
11:30 – Lunch Break
12:15 – Ballot Verification (Coaches Only)
12:30 – Super Congress (If Necessary)
 1st Elim – All Team, LD Debate
1:30 – 2nd Elim – LD & PF Debate
2:30 – 2nd Elim – CX Team Debate
 3rd Elim – LD & PF Debate
3:30 – 4th Elim – LD & PF Debate
5:00 – Awards
3:30 – 3rd Elim, CX Team Debate

Tournament Regulations: In General

Eligibility: Any regularly enrolled high School student who is eligible to participate under the rules of the Wyoming High School Activities Association may enter this tournament. These rules can be accessed online by following the link <<http://www.whsaa.org/handbook/Handbook.pdf>>. The Speech rules begin on page 95.

Awards: Appropriate awards will be given for 1st through 6th place in all individual events. Dual trophies will be presented in CX team debate, public forum debate, and duet interpretation. Awards will be presented to speaker award winners in CX team debate. Awards will also be given for 1st place and 2nd place sweepstakes in 4A, 3A, and in 2A-1A classes. Additionally, we will offer 1st place sweepstakes awards in individual events and in debate. We will continue our policy of offering NWC forensics scholarships to the first-place winners of all varsity events.

Fees: \$20.00 school fee
 \$20.00 per debate (CX or Public Forum) team
 \$15.00 per L-D entry
 \$10.00 per individual event slot, including student congress and duet teams.
 An Individual event slot is one competitor in one event; a student entered in two individual events requires a fee of \$20.00

Fees will be assessed as of 2:00pm, Thursday, January 6, 2022. Any changes or drops not received by this deadline will be figured into the registration fees. All vouchers should be made payable to “NWC CHARLOTTE PATRICK SPEECH AND DEBATE SOCIETY” and all tournament entry fees are due and payable at registration.

Nuisance fees: Furthermore, since changes at registration create some degree of chaos in what would otherwise be (we hope) a well-run tournament and since coaches do know about last minute “drops” before they leave for our tournament (and could therefore call us), any **changes at registration** will incur the following penalty:

 \$25.00 each debate or LD entry changed at registration
 \$10.00 each individual event contestant changed at registration

So, please let us know about any necessary changes IN ADVANCE of registration. We’d much prefer to avoid any penalty assessment, however as various coaches can attest, we are serious about collecting this registration penalty. NO “additional” entries are permitted at registration, unless there is an open slot.

Lodging: The attached motel sheet lists available accommodations in Powell and Cody. Please make your advance reservations as soon as possible.

Judges: Coaches will be utilized as judges. We encourage you to bring judges as well. This would be an excellent opportunity to give your “accompanying” judges for State some experience and we’d be happy to put them to work in lots of rounds. No high school students as judges, please. We will also utilize to the fullest extent possible: the NWC forensics squad, our NWC faculty and staff, students and staff from other Wyoming colleges, and Powell, Cody, and Big Horn Basin community judges. There are no judge “strike” systems in operation at this meet.

Schools which have debate teams or LD entries MUST provide 1 judge for every four debate entries. The tournament reserves the right to restrict entries or charge judge assistance fees.

Elimination Rounds: This tournament is scheduled on the premise that all events will break to semifinals. The only exception to this policy is if an event has 24 or fewer entries. Event numbers after the first round of competition will determine if that event will go to semifinals or not.

Tab Room: In accordance with American Forensic Association procedures and standards of ethics (and our traditional policy), the table room will be closed. "Ballot Verification" periods will be held only upon the completion of preliminary rounds, and are for coaches only.

Ethics and Personal Behavior: The Trapper Rendezvous is governed by the American Forensic Association **Code of Standards**, as well as the **National Parliamentary Debate Association's** bylaws regarding ethics and personal behavior at tournaments.

Facilities: Coaches are responsible for student behavior affecting NWC's facilities. Please note that cooking and cooking equipment is prohibited by the fire code and campus policy.

Tournament Regulations: Debate

NWC will utilize the official NSDA 21-22 topic for CX debate, the official January/February topic for LD debate, and the January topic for Public Forum. **CX debaters may NOT enter individual events or Student Congress.**

Divisions:

Varsity CX Team Debate/ Varsity LD Debate: Any student may enter this division regardless of previous debate experience. Elimination rounds will start at the appropriate level depending on entries. No more than 1/2 of the teams competing at the tournament in a division can advance to elimination rounds. All teams with winning records will advance to elimination rounds.

Format for CX Team Debate: All teams must be prepared to debate both sides of the 2019-20 NSDA debate topic. Rounds 1-2 will be preset with rounds 3-6 power-matched. Speaking and cross examination times in the CX team division will be 8-3-5 with each team allowed a maximum preparation time of FIVE minutes per round. Brackets will be broken if necessary to keep teams from the same school from meeting in elimination rounds.

Format for LD Debate: A LD 'team' shall consist of one student prepared to debate both sides of the January/February NSDA LD topic. Each debater should debate three affirmative and three negative rounds although not necessarily in alternating order. The format, as listed above, for CX team debate will apply to LD in terms of scheduling rounds, pairings, and qualifications for LD elimination rounds. LD time limits are: 6-3-7-3-4-6-3 with four minutes of preparation time. *LD debaters may enter only ONE IE event, which cannot be extemp, but do so at their own risk. LD competitors also may not enter student congress.*

Format for Public Forum Debate: All teams must be prepared to debate the January PF topic. Public forum debates will follow NSDA times and order. The format, as listed above, for CX team debate will apply to PF in terms of scheduling rounds, pairings, and qualifications for PF

elimination rounds. PF times limits are: 4-4-3-4-4-3-2-2-3-2-2 with 2 minutes of preparation time. *Public Forum debaters may enter only ONE IE event, which cannot be extemp, but do so at their own risk. PF competitors also may NOT enter student congress.*

Tournament Regulations: Individual Events

Divisions: All individual events will be held in one open division

Conflict Patterns: The following IEs will be held according to these patterns: (Please note the tournament schedule)

Pattern A: Extemporaneous Speaking, Memorized Humorous Interpretation, Manuscript Poetry interpretation, Memorized Informative Speaking

Pattern B: Memorized Dramatic Interpretation, Memorized Duet Interpretation, Memorized Oratory, Manuscript Program Oral Interpretation

IE contestants may NOT enter CX. IE contestants may enter more than one event per pattern. Students who choose to enter more than one event need to understand that it is his or her responsibility to get to their rounds. No make-up rounds will be scheduled. Students may not use the same selection/s in multiple individual events.

Event Rules: IEs will follow the 2021-2022 Wyoming State rules and guidelines for event descriptions and times. These rules can be accessed online by following the link <http://www.whsaa.org/handbook/Handbook.pdf>. The speech rules begin on page 94.

Format: The IEs will not be tabulated cumulatively except to qualify for the elimination rounds. In other words, the purpose of the preliminary rounds is to qualify for the semifinals. Semifinals will be a minimum of 12 speakers in all events with 25 or more contestants. Ties on rank will be broken by rating points. Ties in rank and rating points will not be broken.

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS: DEADLINE AND ADDITIONAL DATA

Entries must be completed on forensicstournament.net no later than 10:00pm Tuesday, January 4, 2022.

The fee deadline, as stipulated above, is 2:00pm, Thursday, January 6, 2022. For additional changes and problems, please call. If you have last-minute changes, then please call them in to us at your earliest opportunity. The Tab room number will be 754-6118.

E-mail address: Jeannie.hunt@nwc.edu

Phone Number: Jeannie Hunt Office: 754-6422

Bob Becker Office: 754-6118

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Meals/ Dewitt Student Center Dining Hall:

The NWC Cafeteria will again be open to provide meals for the tournament. The prices for the meals are \$6.50 for lunch and \$7.50 for dinner. Breakfast will not be provided.

The schedule indicated time for the meals. If you are interested in eating at the cafeteria, please fill out the attached forms. This form must be received by 2:00pm Thursday, January 6, 2022.

Please send it directly to:

Beth Dickerman, General Manager, Dining Services
Northwest College
231 West Sixth Street
Powell WY 82435

Beth Dickerman: beth.dickerman@nwc.edu

***Please direct all changed to Beth at (307-754-6013)

Northwest College Student Union Dining Hall Form

School Name: _____

☐ We do plan on eating in the Northwest Student Union Dining Hall:

☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Cash ☐ Voucher

☐ We do NOT plan on eating in the Northwest Student Union Dining Hall

☐ Our students will eat at the cafeteria, but will pay individually.

If you are eating in the Dining Hall, please indicate EXACT FIGURES as to how many of your students and staff (coaches, judges, bus drivers, mothers, etc.) will at each meal:

How Many			<u>Price</u>
_____	Lunch – Friday	11:00am – 12:30pm	\$8.00
_____	Dinner – Friday	5:15pm – 6:30pm	\$9.00
_____	Lunch – Saturday	11:30am – 12:30pm	\$8.00

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FORM MUST ARRIVE BY 2:00PM THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2022

Beth Dickerman

General Manager, Dining Services

Northwest College

231 West Sixth Street

Powell WY 82435

Fax Number: 307-754-9049 ATT: Beth Dickerman

OR CALL: 307-754-6013 or email: beth.dickerman@nwc.edu

***Please direct all changes to Beth Dickerman

The NWC TRAP coffee shop will be open on a limited basis. Hours of operation will be included in the registration packet.

POWELL, WYOMING MOTELS Please be sure to make your reservations early.

1. America's Best Value Inn

777 East Second Street
Powell, WY 82435
(307) 754-5117

2. Lamplighter Inn (All nonsmoking rooms)

234 East First Street
Powell, WY 82435
(307) 754-2226

3. Super 8 Motel

P.O. Box 36
Coulter Ave West
Powell, WY 82435
(307) 754-7231

4. Additional accommodations are available in Cody—24 miles from Powell. We have listed a few popular motel chains that are located in Cody. There are numerous other motels available. If you have any questions, please call us.

Holiday Inn: (307) 587-5555

Comfort Inn: (307) 587-5556

The Cody Motel: (307) 587-5915

Super 8 Motel of Cody: (307) 527-6214

Kelly Inn: (307) 527-5505