

NFL POINTS

Make certain that you get the NFL points for your students updated on the NSDA website. Having those points up-to-date will allow your team to maximize your degrees and entry size. Also, make sure that your kiddos register for their NSDA accounts (earning a little star at the end of their names) so you can register them for the district tournament.

REGISTRATION FOR DISTRICTS

There is a ton of paperwork to have ready before the upcoming district tournament. You will need to track down ISBN numbers and get all of your ducks in a row. It's not difficult, but it does take time. PLEASE START EARLY. Also, the TABROOM website (<http://kentucky.tabroom.com/>) is once again open for registration. (Thanks to Steve Meadows for helping to work out some of the bugs and wooly-boogers!!!) Please continue to put in your entries and judges and let us know if you need any assistance!!! We are happy to help!!! ☺

CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE

If your team will be sending in Congress bills/resolutions, please keep a couple of things in mind:

1. CONGRESS LEGISLATION IS DUE 3/7 AT 4PM CT.
2. Use NSDA GUIDELINES for formatting the legislation. You can find those here: <https://www.congressionaldebate.org/resources/legislation-templates>
3. Kentucky-oriented legislation for Kentucky laws or about state education, etc. do not apply to a national congress that uses NSDA rules. Therefore, do not submit those bills or resolutions for debate as they are not applicable.

MEADOWS ADVANCES TO FINALS

Congratulations to Danville High School's Steve Meadows as he has been named one of the 2018 NSDA National Educator of the Year finalists!!! We are so proud of this honor that Steve has received and continue to cheer him on as he advances to the final round. The winner will be announced March 2nd on National Speech and Debate Education Day.



2018 NATIONAL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR FINALISTS

Mary Gormley

– *Montville High School, NJ*

Steve Meadows

– *Danville High School, KY*

Tara Tate

– *Glenbrook South High School, IL*

Sal Tinajero

– *Santa Ana Unified School District, CA*

Rosie Valdez

– *Little Rock Central High School, AR*



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Speaking of March 2nd, please mark your calendars that day to join in the celebration of National Speech and Debate Education Day! Last week, Representative Kenny Imes introduced House Resolution 150 (<http://www.lrc.ky.gov/recorddocuments/bill/18RS/HR150/bill.pdf>) calling for recognition of March 2nd as National Speech and Debate Education Day. If you and your students would be interested in traveling to Frankfort that day for the recognition, please let me know. We would love to have you join us!!!

WE ARE MARSHALL

Please continue to keep our friends at Marshall County High School in your thoughts. There has been a tremendous response of love and support in Kentucky and well beyond. Our hearts go out to our friends and family down the road in Marshall County as they continue to heal and move forward.

We are looking forward to having you join us on the campuses of BCTC and Centre College in Danville soon! In the meantime, keep your points updated, pull all of your district paperwork together, and don't forget to drink your Ovaltine!!! 😊

Michael Robinson, Kentucky District Chair