**2023 Winter Wonder Topic Areas**

**CHSAA rules and event descriptions will be used for CHSAA events.**

**NSDA Congressional Debate rules will be used for Congressional Debate.**

**Congressional Debate**

The Congressional Debate Dockets have been posted at [www.speechwire.com](http://www.speechwire.com) on the Files for Download tab.

* The Docket order is set for each session.
* Congress will have three rounds or sessions and a finals round or session.
* There will be a new PO for each session.
* Precedence will start over for each session.
* We will use direct questioning during congress.

**Extemporaneous Speaking Topic Areas**

We will use the NSDA cross-examination format with a 2-minute questioning period in the final rounds of National and International Extemporaneous Speaking. We will draw in 8 minute intervals during prelims and 12 minute intervals during finals.

**National**

Round 1 - Energy & Environment

Round 2 - U.S. Foreign Policy

Round 3 - Congress

Finals - Constitutional Issues

**International**

Round 1 - Europe

Round 2 - Middle East

Round 3 - Africa

Finals - International Environmental Issues

**Impromptu Topic Areas**

Students will draw 3 topics and choose one. They will have 5 minutes to prepare a 3-5 minute speech. Complete rules and instructions can be found on the ballot posted on Speechwire and used during the tournament.

Round 1 - 1990s Song Lyrics

Round 2 - "It Happened in December" (December Anniversaries)

Round 3 - Benjamin Franklin Quotes

Finals - Wit & Wisdom of Bumper Stickers

**Improvisational Pairs Topic Areas**

Students will draw 3 topics and choose one.  They will have 10 minutes to prepare a performance that is a maximum of 7 minutes with a 30-second grace period. Complete rules and instructions can be found on the ballot posted on Speechwire and used during the tournament.

Round 1 - Unusual Job Interviews (e.g. Interview to be a monster hunter)

Round 2 - Unusual Investigations (e.g., Investigating a show dog "dog-napping")

Round 3 - Ghost Stories (e.g., Ghost appears at a speech tournament)

Finals - Fairy Tale Mash-Ups (e.g., Aladdin & Snow White Mash-Up)

**Lincoln-Douglas Debate – 2023 November-December Topic**

Resolved: The United States ought to prohibit the extraction of fossil fuels from federal public lands and waters.

**Public Forum Debate – 2023 November-December Topic Area**

Resolved: The United States federal government should forgive all federal student loan debt.

**Policy Debate – 2023-2024 Topic**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase fiscal redistribution in the United States by adopting a federal jobs guarantee, expanding Social Security, and/or providing a basic income.

* Varsity CX Debate is open to all CX debate teams.
* JV CX debate is limited to freshman and sophomore CX debaters or students in their first year of competition.
* In JV CX, no Kritiks or counterplans are allowed.
* In JV CX, we will employ the NFHS Novice case limits, meaning that all teams should limit themselves to these case areas.

Novice Case Limits for the 2022-2023 Policy Debate Topic

* Basic Income: Universal Basic Income
* Basic Income: Basic Income for Persons at or near the Poverty Level
* Federal Jobs Guarantee: Green New Deal
* Social Security: Medicare for All