**2024 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 on the Files for Download tab. The Docket order is set for each session.

* Congress will have three rounds or sessions and a Final round.
* There will be a new PO for each session.
* Precedence will start over for each session. A random precedence chart will be used for each session.
* We will use direct questioning during the session.

**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.

NX 1 – Energy & Environment

NX 2 – U.S. Foreign Policy

NX 3 – Education & Social Issues

NX Finals – The 2024 Election & Trump’s Second Term

IX 1 – The Americas

IX 2 - Europe

IX 3 - Asia

IX Finals – Global 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 – 1960s Song Lyrics

Round 2 – Abraham Lincoln Quotes

Round 3 – “It Happened in 1924” One Hundred Years Ago

Finals – Wit and 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 Switch (e.g, high school choir director and army general)

Round 2 – Unusual Family Roadtrip (e.g., Family roadtrip back in time)

Round 3 – Monsters in High School (e.g., Dracula on student council)

Finals – Movie Mashups (e.g., Moana and 101 Dalmatians)

**Lincoln-Douglas Debate – 2024 November-December Topic**

Resolved: The United States ought to adopt a wealth tax.

**Public Forum Debate – 2024 November-December Topic Area**

Resolved: The United States should substantially reduce its military support of Taiwan.

**Policy Debate – 2024-2025 Topic**Resolved: The United States federal government should significantly strengthen its protection of domestic intellectual property rights in copyrights, patents, and/or trademarks.

* 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 2024-2025 Policy Debate Topic
  + Patents: Emerging Technologies
  + Patents: Green Technology
  + Copyrights: Protect the Creative Arts
  + Trademarks: Trademark Trolls