

December 14, 2018

Dear Speech Coaches:

Cathedral High School cordially invites you to the Sixth annual MLK Middle School Speech Meet January 19, 2019. This tournament is open to sixth, seventh and eight grade students. The tournament will be conducted in compliance with the Indiana High School Forensic Association rules for Middle Schools (www.IHSFA.org) In addition we will be offering the MLK Event in honor of the oratorical legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. See details below.

Events of the Day: Declamation, Drama, Discussion, Extemp, Humor, Impromptu, MLK, OO, Poetry, Prose, Radio, Scripted Duo and Memorized Duo.

Discussion Topic:

Round 1

Round 2

Round 3

Extemp: Students in extemp may not double. Extemp topics will be selected the day of the meet. Students will have a 30 minute prep. They will only draw once. They may use 1 4x6 note card during their speech.

Impromptu Middle school format 8 minutes to prepare and deliver a speech. Round 1 a WORD is the topic Round 2 the speaker is given a Quotation Round 3 is a CURRENT EVENT QUESTION.

MLK event: This may be a **scripted** or **memorized** event, 5-10 minutes in length. A student may present any sermon, speech or prose written by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. They will need to attribute their selection as part of the presentation.

Radio: Students will bring a prepared 2 minute Newscast, Editorial will be supplied, Commercial material supplied to students who will have 30 minutes to prep a 1 min ad.

Doubling: A student may not double in Discussion, Radio or Extemp. All others double at their own risk.

Entry limits: 5 per event for a total of 25 entries per team. No student may enter more than 2 events.

Judging: 1 judge for every 5 entries or fraction thereof. Failure to bring judges will cause a team to be disqualified from sweepstakes.

Food: will be available to purchase in our cafeteria throughout the day.

Registration: Due by Tuesday **January 15, 2019 on Speechwire**. Any entries received after that date will be refused. Final registration for the tournament will be from 8:00 to 8:30am the morning of January 19th. **Coaches must report all drops at this time**. The registration table will be in the lobby of the Welch Activity Center (WAC) Door #2 off the large parking lot.

Schedule of the Day: Final registration 8:00-8:30am WAC table
All contestants, coaches, and judges mtg 8:45am cafeteria
Round 1 9:00am
Round 2 10:15
Round 3 11:30
Awards 1:15 ? Auditorium

Visitors : May watch a round but must stay the entire length of the round, enter the round before it begins, identify themselves to the judge in the room, and no devices may be used for photos, recording, texting, etc. At the judge's discretion a visitor must leave the round for inappropriate behavior.

Awards: Double ribbons will be awarded for the top 10 places per event. Trophies will be awarded to the top 10 teams.

Location: Cathedral High School 5225 East 56th Street Indianapolis, IN. 46226
Enter the building Door #2 Welch Activity Center
Time Zone: Indianapolis is on Eastern Standard Time

All of us at Cathedral High School hope you will join us on January 19th to celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. If you should have any questions or require further information please contact me at 317-459-9398 or by email.
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Sincerely,
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