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BATTLE MOUNTAIN SPEECH TOURNEY-FEST AND CONGRESS

We would like to extend an invitation to you to join us for Battle Mountain High School's Speech Festival/ Tournament + Congress on Saturday, October 26th, 2019. The meet will be held at Battle Mountain High School in Edwards, Colorado. The meet will be a hybrid of Tournament and Festival Events and we will be using the A/B events schedule and will include three rounds of competition. There will be no final rounds. We welcome Novices, Junior Varsity and Varsity competitors but please note your Novice competitors with a (N) next to their name so we can award best of event in all events for our Novices.

The Public Forum Debate topic will be RESOLVED: Resolved: The European Union should join the Belt and Road Initiative.

The Lincoln Douglas Debate topic will be RESOLVED: Resolved: In the United States, colleges and universities ought not consider standardized tests in undergraduate admissions decisions.

National Extemp Topics: Science and Technology, Social Issues, Public Policy International Extemp Topics: Issues and Organizations, Economics, US Foreign Policy

Send Congress legislation to Diane Wagener @ diane.wagener@eagleschools.net. no later than October 7th, 2019.

Students may enter one A and one B event. No doubling. Please register via www.speechwire.com by. Please stick to that deadline. There is no limit to the number of students you can enter however, if you have a large number of debate students we ask that you do your best to provide some judges to help with the workload!

We will have a concession stand open for breakfast and an all you can eat pasta and salad bar lunch buffet offered at \$7 per person. We will also be providing breakfast items, juice, snacks and lunch for all coaches and judges.

Registration is \$8.00 per student and \$16.00 per duet/partner team. Please mail ahead or bring a check to our speech meet the morning you register. The check should be made out to Battle Mountain Speech Team. Visiting teams will not be refunded entry fees for drops made the morning of the meet.

The meet will offer the following events:

A Wave

Combined Extemp AM Congress (three hour long session) Duo Creative Storytelling (same prep time and set up- prompts will include two or more "characters") **Original Oratory** Drama Interpretation **Humorous** Interpretation Poetry

Duo Value Debate (we will have a revised ballot available for you prior to the meet - duo value debate teams will debate the same topic all three rounds with one round being AFF, one NEG and one flip of the coin. We will have two half-hour prep periods, one before each of the first two rounds. There will be no third round prep period.)

B Wave

Public Forum Debate **(resolution above)** Lincoln Douglas Debate **(resolution above)** Impromptu Speaking Informative Speaking POI Duo Interpretation

We are looking forward to hosting you here at Battle Mountain! For those of you who may need lodging, we are working on a room block. Please contact email Diane Wagener (email: <u>dianelwagener@eagleschools.org</u>) to let me know if you will need rooms and approximately how many rooms you will need. Also email or phone with any additional questions or concerns – (970) 569-5321 classroom or (970)402-7407 cell.

Sincerely, Diane Wagener Speech & Debate Coach Battle Mountain High School