



*Gray Middle School
Don't Be A Scrooge
Invitational*



Dear Middle School Speech Coaches,

Gray Middle School is proud to sponsor our first Jr Division Speech tournament. We would like to extend an invitation to our tournament to all middle schools. The tournament will take place on **December 12, 2015**. This year, since it is Christmas, we are proud to honor a tradition of giving here in Boone County. Our theme is Don't Be A Scrooge. We will be collecting toys for Toys for Tots. Bring a new or gently used toy to support this wonderful organization! The team that brings in the most toys will get a prize! There will be a box by the registration desk to put them in.

CATEGORIES

All middle school/KHSSL Jr. events will be offered. Students may be triple entered, but not be tripled in a single flight. It is not recommended that a student triple in more than two limited prep events, as rounds will not be held up for any student who is behind.

Flight A: Broadcasting, Declamation, Duo Acting, Improvisational Duo, Poetry, and Original Oratory

Flight B: Extemporaneous Speaking, Humorous/Dramatic Interpretation, Prose, Impromptu, Solo Acting, and Storytelling

AWARDS

We will honor the top 6 speech performers in every category with a trophy, and a "next out" award will be given to the 7th place competitor in each category.

We will honor the top 3 overall teams with Sweepstakes trophies, as well as recognizing the top 3 small schools who have 20 entries or less.

ENTRIES

Teams are welcome to enter an unlimited amount of students in each event, provided no student is more than double entered in any single flight. Only the top 3 students in each event will count towards sweepstakes. Each entry will be \$5, with Duo Acting

and Duo Improv entries at \$10. **The deadline for entries will be December 10th at 5 pm. Drop fees will be assessed and enforced after this time, \$10 per drop.**

Only 5 name changes will be assessed at no cost the morning of the tournament - after 5 changes, a \$5 nuisance fee per name change will be assessed.

Checks will need to be made to the order of: Gray Middle School.

JUDGES

One judge for every 6 entries or fraction thereof: 7 entries = 2 judges, etc. Larger schools - please try to find neutral judges to bring to the tournament and make sure that they are well versed in the KHSSL rules and ballots. You may hire judges at \$30 each.

A hospitality room will be available for coaches, judges, volunteers, and bus drivers.

REGISTRATION

Entering/registering will be on tabroom.com. Select the KY league, register your school, and then register for the Gray Middle School Don't Be A Scrooge Invitational. Feel free to email me any questions at lisa.edmonds@boone.kyschools.us or you can text me at 513-227-6228.

FOOD

A variety of muffins, breakfast bars, fruit and juice will be available for purchase for breakfast. Pizza will be available for purchase, along with soft drinks, water, snacks, and candy for lunch.

ADDRESS & DIRECTIONS

Gray Middle School
10400 Hwy 42
Union, KY 41091

From Lexington:

75N to exit 175 - Richwood. Turn left at the light. Turn right on Frogtown Connector Rd. At the end of the road, turn left onto Frogtown Rd. Follow Frogtown Rd to Rt. 42. Take a left onto Rt. 42. At the next light, take a right into the school complex. At the stop sign, take a left. Follow the road around to the front of the school and park in the parking lot.

Bus Parking: Buses follow the road all the way around the school back to the front (the bus loop is one way) and park in the back of the school in the bus loop.

SCHEDULE

7 AM to 8AM Registration
8:30 AM Flight A Round I
9:30 AM Extemp Draw
10:00 AM Flight B Round I
11:30 AM Flight A Round II
12:30 PM Extemp Draw
1:00 PM Flight B Round II
3:00 PM Extemp and Broadcasting draw - Finals
3:30 PM Finals for all events
5:30 PM Awards