

Thursday, January 28, 2016

Dear Colleague;

You and your team are cordially invited to the Seventeenth Annual Norman North Mnemosyne Speech tournament happening here at North on February 26-27, 2016.

What's a Mnemosyne? Mnemosyne (nem-OSS-nee) was the Greek goddess of memory - one of the nine muses. When we remember why we chose her, we'll let you know. In the meanwhile, please note the following:

1. Unlimited 6A and 5A entries in qualifying and championship events - as long as you have judges to cover the entry.
2. A full slate of championship events are offered. The tournament director stipulates that all 6A PQ's must compete in championship division. No novice events offered.
3. Topic for Qualifying LD will be the Jan-Feb NFL topic. The Qualifying PFD topic will be the February NFL topic. **In response to coaches' requests The Topic for Championship Public Forum debate will be the March NFL topic and the LD topic for Championship division will be the March-April NFL Rostrum topic.**
4. Judge requirements, entry fees, etc. as per the OSSAA rulebook. We must have judges confirmed by Wednesday, Feb. 24 at 4:00 pm to avoid uncovered judge fees of \$25 per day. Drops/adds after 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 23 are \$5 each. CX-LD drop fees are \$25 after 9 a.m. Feb 26, \$50 at registration, as are debate no-shows or forfeits. IE drop fees are \$20 at registration, \$25 no-shows. Fees are the same for Championship as Qualifying
5. Due dates: PLEASE ENTER THE TOURNAMENT VIA THE WEBSITE tabroom.com Entries are due by 5:00PM, February 22. As of Tuesday, February 23 at 5:00PM the website will be shut down to any changes. Any changes to your entry after that time should be emailed directly to jryan@norman.k12.ok.us Telephone or texted entries will not be accepted. **For the Love of God, do not text drops and adds.** Grownups use email.
6. Register in the Norman North Commons both Friday and Saturday.
7. You may pay by PO, personal check or cash. We will issue a receipt for checks or cash. **Without a PO copy, or a paid in full entry at registration Friday (for debate) or Saturday (for IE and Public Forum), your school will not compete.**

We hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,
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