



19 May 2018

Dear Diocesan Directors and Tab Room Personnel:

In a few short days we will gather in Washington, DC for the National Catholic Forensic League's 2018 *GRAND NATIONAL TOURNAMENT*. On the attached sheets you will find your Tab Room staff assignment. Roberta Hyland, Ann Marie Duffy, and myself, along with all of the Washington Arlington Catholic Forensic League, look forward to seeing you soon.

If you foresee any difficulty with your assignment, please contact me immediately by email at rburdett@ncfl.org. The assignment presumes that you will be present. If the person representing your League is someone other than you, please pass this letter on to the appropriate person and let me know. For those of you who suggested additional names, I thank you. In some instances, the assignments will change from Saturday to Sunday so please note the special indicators on the assignment sheet.

On Saturday, all Policy Debate, L-D Debate, Public Forum Debate, and Student Congress tab personnel should plan to report to your tab room locations at 6:30am, about 30 minutes prior to the scheduled general meeting for that event. Extemp Prep personnel should report to the Extemp Prep Room about 30 minutes prior to the first round draw time. Individual events personnel should be at the tab room at 8:30am, about 30 minutes prior to the scheduled starting for Round 1. The Speech Judges' Meeting will begin at 8:00am. All tab room locations are noted in the attached pages.

Please approach your assignment with the highest degree of professionalism. You are in the Tab Room to assist in the running of the Tournament *and **not** to check on the progress of contestants*. We ask that you **not** generate a list of selections presented at the Grand Tournament. Under no circumstances are you to reveal results, pairings, clearing students, assignments, records required to clear, or other information to anyone in any way! Please do not take any photographs of any ballots, print-outs, pieces, or our data entry and results screens at all. It is important that all results be checked and double-checked, particularly to see that the results have been correctly recorded.

Please remember that as diocesan director, you have definite responsibilities. Make certain that all of your coaches are familiar with NCFL rules governing all events. We prefer not having to invoke sanctions against offending judges or the leagues or schools they represent. Also **remind your coaches** of the need to bring original sources in the event of any challenges. **Check ahead** to know where your coaches and teams are arriving and staying so they can receive the appropriate registration materials.

It is your responsibility to pass all codes and assignments along to those in your league and **check ahead** to know if there are any last minute drops or changes before coming to registration on Friday. You are the only one permitted to handle the registration for your league, unless you designate another representative. If your league has arranged for any Washington Arlington CFL judges, please be sure you've coordinated with the WACFL Judge Team so that they get their codes and assignments. If

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you've hired any judges without going through the WACFL, then YOU are responsible for getting those judges their codes and assignments.

If it's possible, please bring your laptop and power strip with you for all the Tab Rooms on Saturday and Sunday. We will not have access to a computer lab so we'll need all the computers we can get to make sure our ballot input goes along smoothly.

Be certain that you, or your representative, take care of the tournament registration at the Marriott Marquis hotel, in the Marquis Salon 12-13 room on the Meeting Level 2 Floor between 12 noon and 4:30 p.m on Friday the 25th. There will be a Diocesan Director's meeting at 5:15 p.m. at the Marriott Marquis, in the Marquis Salon 9-10 room on the Meeting Level 2 Floor. All Diocesan League Directors, or your representative, should be certain to attend for last minute updates and instructions. The Marquis Salon 12-13 rooms on the Meeting Level 2 Floor, next to the Registration Room, will be open at noon if you need a work area to prepare your Diocesan League materials for your coaches, and a place to meet your coaches. The Marriott Marquis is at 901 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC.

Please inform your coaches, judges, and competitors to download the NCFL App. It's available via the iOS App Store and the Google Play Store by searching for NCFL. We will be distributing updates and information via the App throughout the weekend. This year there will be no tournament booklets available.

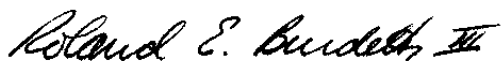
We will again publish the codes of all registered students and judges on Thursday evening. You can tell your League Coaches that the lists will be available at NCFLNationals.org and via the NCFL App.

We'll be using OnLine Balloting in Policy, LD, and PF Debate this year. Please be sure that all of your league's debate judges have linked their accounts in Tabroom.com to the entry for NCFL 2018. This will also require that Diocesan Directors log into Tabroom.com after the tournament to generate the PDF's of the OnLine Ballots for each school and email them to your coaches.

Also remember that we continue to need additional Altar Servers, and readers, to assist with Mass on Saturday evening. Please pass this request to your coaches and judges. If anyone is interested in assisting, please visit the NCFLNationals.org website to sign up.

I look forward to seeing you in Washington, DC. Keep emailing me any changes through Friday morning, May 26. Emails should be sent to my rburdett@ncfl.org address.

Sincerely,



Roland Burdett, III,
NCFL Grand Nationals Tournament Director

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