



Host a Tournament!

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## Our Mission

to challenge and equip ambassadors for Christ to communicate truth with integrity and grace

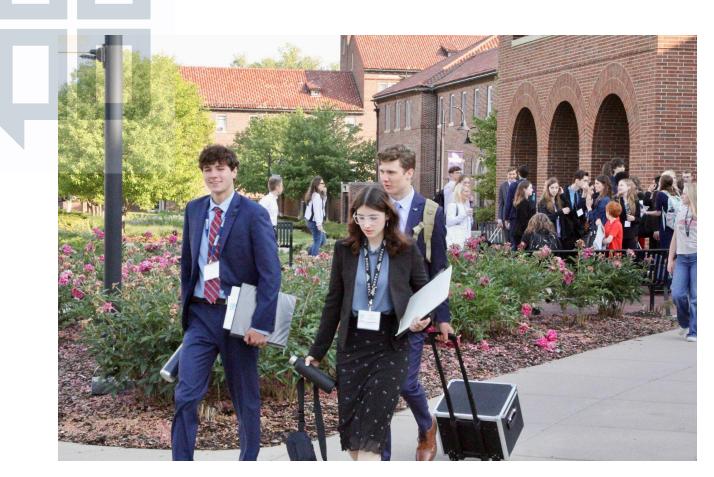
Since 2001, NCFCA Christian Speech & Debate League has worked to equip Christian students to communicate with skill and clarity. Our training and competition opportunities provide a supportive way for middle and high school students to learn how to apply a biblical worldview to real life issues.



## Our Tournaments

We conduct approximately 50 in-person regional and national tournaments throughout the country during each competition season. Our events are meticulously planned and staffed by our Regional and National Leadership teams. We commit to being good stewards of our host facilities and enjoy many ongoing relationships with facilities that ask us to come back year after year. We would be glad to provide a list of prior host facilities and references upon request.

We hope that you will consider partnering with us to host a tournament!



## Our Facility Needs

#### **Dates and Times**

- Our regional competition season runs from January May, and we do our best to have tournaments scheduled by early fall of the preceding year.
- We generally require three consecutive days for a tournament.
- Each day runs from approximately 7:00am–9:30pm.
- Prior to the start of the tournament, we need a window of two to three hours for setup.
- Our preferred days are Thursday-Saturday, but we can be flexible about the days of the week.

#### **Specific Space Requirements**

The tournament we would like you to consider hosting will require the following:

- **10 or more classrooms** or similar spaces for competition (need varies throughout the tournament)
  - o 3 tables and 4-6 chairs (minimum) in each room
  - o 1 lectern or music stand in each room (preferred, but optional)
- Auditorium seating for 150 or more people to be used for announcements and award ceremonies
- **Student lounge** area such as a gymnasium or cafeteria to seat 100 or more people for eating and fellowship (optional).
- A Community Judge area with seating at tables for 20 or more people and proximity to a food staging area for coffee and light refreshments.
- At least 3 distinct **administrative spaces** with space for 3-8 people, in close proximity to one another, for our Ballot Administration, Tabulation, and Compliance teams.



It was an excellent experience having NCFCA on campus at CBC. The NCFCA staff members were professional and loving -- toward one another, the CBC staff, and the community.

#### **Participation Capacity**

- Tournament participation varies from 80-180 students. All competitors will have a parent or chaperone accompanying their family and siblings are often present for the tournament as well.
- We also expect about 30-100 community members to join us for specific blocks of two to three hours to serve as Community Judges.
  We anticipate that there will be 30-60 with us for each competition round.

#### **Facility Liaison Support**

We will need a designated individual or individuals to

- Provide guidance for setup, care, and reset of spaces we will use
- Grant building access and training on security protocols
- Help with audio and video technology in the auditorium space as needed and agreed upon
- Be on-call to provide guidance regarding unforeseen situations



## Our Commitment

### Safety

Our tournaments are conducted under close supervision of trained staff members and parents dedicated to ensuring the safety of our participants and respect for each host facility's boundaries and preferences. All participants and visitors register upon arrival and are identified with an NCFCA nametag.

NCFCA requires background checks for employees and key volunteers. All employees and tournament volunteer staff must receive, read, and acknowledge NCFCA's <u>Child's Safety Policy</u> and complete a child safety training prior to working with students.

#### Setup, Maintenance, and Reset Teams

NCFCA provides a dedicated Facilities Team that will

- Oversee the set up of rooms prior to the tournament
- Remove trash on a regular basis
- Check and restock bathrooms regularly
- Ensure rooms are clean and reset to the host facility's specifications by the end of the tournament

#### Meals and Hospitality for Participants & Judges

Our Hospitality and Tournament Meal teams may either work with on-site catering services or third party vendors to provide lunches and dinners in the student lounge area and refreshments in the Judge Hospitality area. Each meal is served during a two-hour period in which competitors eat between their events without a pause in the competition schedule. Some families choose to bring their own food from home.



NCFCA provides a certificate of insurance with the facility named as an additional party insured for the duration of the tournament.



Our church body was BUZZING with conversations regarding how encouraged the adults were in hearing so many young people who were passionate about the truth of the Gospel.

# Our Investment

#### **Hosting Fees**

NCFCA is committed to keeping costs low for our participating families. Some facilities donate their space and we provide a love offering. Other facilities let us know what fees would be required.

In exchange for hosting us without charge (or for a minimal fee), NCFCA provides a complimentary Gold sponsorship with NCFCA for selected organizations. This represents a \$5000 value and includes a logo on our website and in our Championship Programs, an opportunity to have a table at some of our other tournaments including our in-person National

Opens, and an opportunity to Meet and Greet our students virtually during an online tournament. Full details of our sponsorships can be found in the <u>Sponsor</u> <u>Invitation</u>.

If you're interested in sponsorship, contact Brenda Bass, Sponsor Coordinator, <u>BrendaBass@NCFCA.org</u>.





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It was an honor to be part of such a professionally run event and to be able to participate as a judge. You must be so encouraged, knowing that you are contributing to the raising up of strong Christian leaders to guide the Church and our country for decades to come.