

## **2017-2018 Colorado Speech and Debate Tournament Calendar**

Updated: September 20, 2017

Coaches: Please contact Audra Cathy at the CHSAA office with any changes or additions to the Speech Calendar. [acathy@chsaa.org](mailto:acathy@chsaa.org) or 303-344-5050

Judges: Please note that judges are not hired for novice tournaments.

For future topics, please visit the National Speech and Debate Association website at <https://www.speechanddebate.org/topics/>

*Attn: Speech and Debate Coaches*

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The March NSDA PF Topic may not be used at any regional qualifying or invitational tournaments.*

*The January-February NSDA LD Topic will be used at all State Qualifying Tournaments.*

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The March- April NSDA LD Topic may not be used at any regional qualifying or invitational tournaments.*

### **Policy Debate**

#### **2017-2018 Topic**

Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its funding and/or regulation of elementary and/or secondary education in the United States.

### **Lincoln Douglas Debate**

#### **2017 September/October Topic**

Resolved: In the United States, national service ought to be compulsory.

### **Public Forum Debate**

#### **2017 September/October Topic – Korean Peninsula**

Resolved: Deployment of anti-missile systems is in South Korea's best interest.

## **CHSAA SPEECH CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- August 24-27      NSDA National Conference  
@ Cherry Creek High School  
<https://www.speechanddebate.org/conferences/>
- August 25-26      CHSAA Colorado Coaches' Conference  
Cherry Creek High School  
CCHS- Marti Benham [mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org)  
AAHS- Renee Motter [renee.motter@asd20.org](mailto:renee.motter@asd20.org)  
CHSAA- Audra Cathy [acathy@chsaa.org](mailto:acathy@chsaa.org)
- October 7          Regis Novice @ Regis Jesuit High School  
Mark Onstott  
[monstott@regisjesuit.com](mailto:monstott@regisjesuit.com)
- October 7          Longmont Novice @ Longmont High School  
Jim Dornan  
[dornan\\_jim@stvrain.k12.co.us](mailto:dornan_jim@stvrain.k12.co.us)
- October 7          Heritage-C Novice @ Heritage High School  
Greg Breithbarth – [gbreithbarth@lps.k12.co.us](mailto:gbreithbarth@lps.k12.co.us)  
Kevin Brich – [kbrich@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:kbrich@jeffco.k12.co.us)
- October 7          Moffat County High School Novice  
Stephanie Everett  
[stephanie.everett@moffatsd.org](mailto:stephanie.everett@moffatsd.org)
- October 10        CCHS Novice After School Congress @ Cherry Creek High  
School 4-7:30pm  
Marti Benham  
[Mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:Mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org)  
720-554-2216 (office)  
303-921-9411 (cell)
- October 13        Resurrection Christian High School Novice- Friday afternoon  
Angela Smith  
[asmith@rcschool.org](mailto:asmith@rcschool.org)
- October 14        Bruin Novice @ Cherry Creek High School  
Begins at 12pm after the PSAT  
Marti Benham  
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720-554-2216 (school)  
303-921-9411 (cell)

October 14 Widefield Novice @ Widefield High School

October 14 Platte Canyon HS Invitational Quasi-Novice Meet  
Amanda Waterhouse  
[awaterhouse@pcsd12.org](mailto:awaterhouse@pcsd12.org)

October 21 Jeffco Novice @ TBA  
Kevin Brich  
[Kevin.Brich@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:Kevin.Brich@jeffco.k12.co.us)

October 21 Centaurus Novice @ Centaurus High School

October 21 The Denver Metro Opener Novice Meet @ Denver East HS  
Brent Dysart  
[Brent\\_dysart@dpsk12.org](mailto:Brent_dysart@dpsk12.org)  
720-410-3443

October 21 Battle Mountain HS “Tourney-Fest” Hybrid with Congress  
@ Battle Mountain High School  
Diane Wagener  
[diane.wagener@eagleschools.net](mailto:diane.wagener@eagleschools.net)

October 25 Holy Family Novice Congress @ Holy Family HS

October 28 St. Mary’s (Colorado Springs) Novice @ St. Mary’s High School  
Jeff Borst  
[forensicshs@mssd14.org](mailto:forensicshs@mssd14.org)  
719-229-5643

October 28 Monarch Novice @ Monarch High School  
Vickie Howard  
[vickie.howard@bvsd.org](mailto:vickie.howard@bvsd.org)

October 28 Great Pumpkin Colorado NSDA Novice and Congress  
@ Castle View High School  
Marti Benham  
[mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org)  
720-554-2216 (school)  
303-921-9411 (cell)

November 4 Screaming Eagle @ Thompson Valley High School  
Dan Lutz  
[daniel.lutz@thompsonschoools.org](mailto:daniel.lutz@thompsonschoools.org)  
970-613-7070

November 4            The PikeSpeak Invitational @ Woodland Park High School  
Bill Brown  
[debategnome@gmail.com](mailto:debategnome@gmail.com)

November 4            Cherry Creek Classic @ Cherry Creek High School  
Marti Benham  
[mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org)  
720-554-2216 (school)  
303-921-9411 (cell)

November 7            CCHS November After School Congress @ Cherry Creek High  
School 4-7:30pm  
Marti Benham  
[Mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:Mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org)  
720-554-2216 (office)  
303-921-9411 (cell)

November 11           Fossil Ridge @ Fossil Ridge High School  
Grant Campbell  
[gcampbell@psdschools.org](mailto:gcampbell@psdschools.org)

November 10-11        The 5280 @ George Washington High School  
Maryrose Kohan  
[maryrose\\_kohan@dpsk12.org](mailto:maryrose_kohan@dpsk12.org)

November 11           Forensic Olympiad @ Pueblo West High School  
Paulette Frye  
[pfrye@district70.org](mailto:pfrye@district70.org)  
719-547-8050  
719-671-4112 (cell)

November 11           Demon Invitational @ Golden High School  
Tammie Peters  
[tpeters@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:tpeters@jeffco.k12.co.us)

November 18           Castle Classic – NIETOC Bid @ Greeley Central High School  
Sarah French  
[sfrench@greeleyschools.org](mailto:sfrench@greeleyschools.org)  
970-348-5139  
970-405-3198 (cell)

November 17-18        Raptor Rumble @ Eaglecrest High School  
Ashley McCulloch  
[amcculloch2@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:amcculloch2@cherrycreekschools.org)  
720-886-1283

November 18 TCA Invitational  
Amanda Shoumaker  
[ashoumaker@asd20.org](mailto:ashoumaker@asd20.org)  
505-927-3387

December 1-2 Mile High Invitational @ University of Denver  
Denver East HS (host school)  
Brent Dysart  
[Brent\\_dysart@dpsk12.org](mailto:Brent_dysart@dpsk12.org)  
720-423-8421

December 2 Fire on the Ridge NIETOC @ Northridge High School  
Joshua Seematter and Emily Wallin  
[jseematter@greeleyschools.org](mailto:jseematter@greeleyschools.org)

December 2 Fort Morgan Festival Invitational  
Terry Rich  
[mommatrich@yahoo.com](mailto:mommatrich@yahoo.com)

December 2 Chatfield Chill @ Chatfield High School  
Kevin Brich  
[Kbrich@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:Kbrich@jeffco.k12.co.us)  
303-257-5629

December 2 Colorado Grande District NSDA Rules  
Renee Motter  
[Renee.motter@asd20.org](mailto:Renee.motter@asd20.org)

December 6 Holy Family Congress  
Lisa Cillessen  
[lisa.cillessen@holyfamilyhs.com](mailto:lisa.cillessen@holyfamilyhs.com)  
303-931-6669

December 9 Cherry Creek High School Winter Wonder  
Cherry Creek High School  
Marti Benham  
[mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org)  
720-554-2216 (school)  
303-921-9411 (cell)

December 8-9 Jeffco Sweeps @ TBA (Jeffco Schools Only)  
Kevin Brich  
[Kbrich@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:Kbrich@jeffco.k12.co.us)

December 9 Collins Clash - Ft. Collins High School Invitational  
Jason Clarke  
[jclarke@psdschools.org](mailto:jclarke@psdschools.org)  
970-488-8180

December 9 Pirate Invitational Meet @ Genoa-Hugo HS – *Festival only*  
Imogene Higgins  
[ihiggins@genoahugo.org](mailto:ihiggins@genoahugo.org)

December 9 Fruita Monument Invitational @ Fruita Monument HS  
Lisa Crabtree [lisa.crabtree@d51schools.org](mailto:lisa.crabtree@d51schools.org)  
Kristin Gross [Kristin.gross@d51schools.org](mailto:Kristin.gross@d51schools.org)

December 12 CCHS December After School Congress @ Cherry Creek High School 4-7:30pm  
Marti Benham  
[Mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org](mailto:Mbenham@cherrycreekschools.org)  
720-554-2216 (office)  
303-921-9411 (cell)

December 15-16 Holiday Classic @ Cheyenne East High School  
Marcus Viney  
[vineym@laramie1.org](mailto:vineym@laramie1.org)

January 5-6 Golden Invite @ Golden High School  
Tammie Peters  
[Tammie.Peters@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:Tammie.Peters@jeffco.k12.co.us)

January 6 The Academy Awards Invitational  
Strive Prep – SMART Academy (Denver)  
*(Not a CHSAA member school)*  
Grant Thomas  
[gthomas@striveprep.org](mailto:gthomas@striveprep.org)

January 13 Niwot Invitational @ Niwot High School  
William Pankonin  
[Pankonin\\_william@svvsd.org](mailto:Pankonin_william@svvsd.org)

January 13 Palisade Speech Fest @ Palisade High School  
Meaghan McDowell  
[Meaghan.mcdowell@d51schools.org](mailto:Meaghan.mcdowell@d51schools.org)  
970-254-4800 x25220 (school)

January 13            Widefield Varsity Tournament  
Widefield High School  
Stephanie Owens  
[owens@wsd3.org](mailto:owens@wsd3.org)  
719-391-3200 (school)  
719-352-9733 (cell)

January 13            Patriot Games  
George Washington High School  
Maryrose Kohan  
[Maryrose\\_Kohan@dpsk12.org](mailto:Maryrose_Kohan@dpsk12.org)

January 17            Ocelotl Afterschool Congress  
Strive Prep – SMART Academy (Denver)  
*(Not a CHSAA member school)*  
Grant Thomas  
[gthomas@striveprep.org](mailto:gthomas@striveprep.org)

January 17            Mead After School Congress & Big Question Debate  
Kathryn Oakes  
[oakes\\_kathryn@svvvsd.org](mailto:oakes_kathryn@svvvsd.org)

January 18            St. Mary's Congress @ St. Mary's  
Jeff Borst  
[forensicsmshs@mssd14.org](mailto:forensicsmshs@mssd14.org)

January 19-20        Colorado Cup -- Mullen-Smoky Hill @  
Mike Trevithick  
[mdtfinance@prodigy.net](mailto:mdtfinance@prodigy.net)

January 20            La Junta Tiger Talkers @ La Junta High School  
Julie Micklejohn  
[jmicklejohn@lajunta.k12.co.us](mailto:jmicklejohn@lajunta.k12.co.us)  
719-384-4467  
719-469-6563 (cell)

January 26-27        CHSAA State Festival Tournament

January 26-27        Colorado District NSDA Congress @ TBA  
Marti Benham  
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303-921-9411 (cell)

January 26-27      The South High Stampede Tournament  
@ Cheyenne South High School (WY)  
Rachel Christoph  
[Rchristoph1294@gmail.com](mailto:Rchristoph1294@gmail.com)

January 27      Lobo Howl @ Rocky Mountain High School  
Gina DiFelice  
ginad@psdschools.org  
970-488-7152 (school)  
970-213-7507 (cell)

January 27      Pueblo Public Schools Tournament @ Pueblo Centennial HS  
David Montera  
david.montera@pueblocitieschools.us  
719-423-3847 (school)  
719-406-0110 (cell)

February 3      Fairview Freeze @ Fairview High School  
[fhsdebate@gmail.com](mailto:fhsdebate@gmail.com)  
720-561-5327 (school)

February 3      Discovery Canyon Tournament @ Discovery Canyon HS  
Jeremy Beckman  
[jeremy.beckman@asd20.org](mailto:jeremy.beckman@asd20.org)

February 3      Denver Public Schools Tournament @ Denver School o the Arts  
Lyn Davies  
[lyn\\_davies@dpsk12.org](mailto:lyn_davies@dpsk12.org)

February 6      CCHS February After School Congress @ Cherry Creek High  
School 4-7:30pm  
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February 10      Jeffco Invitational  
Kevin Brich  
[Kevin.Brich@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:Kevin.Brich@jeffco.k12.co.us)

February 10      CHSAA Region I State Qualifying Tournament  
@ Northridge High School  
Josh Seematter  
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February 10-11 Colorado Grande District NFL Congress  
Renee Motter  
[Renee.motter@asd20.org](mailto:Renee.motter@asd20.org)

February 17 Columbine Invitational: The Rebellion @ Columbine High School  
Andrea Stevens  
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February 17 CHSAA Region VII State Qualifying Tournament  
Bill Brown  
[debategnome@gmail.com](mailto:debategnome@gmail.com)

February 23-24 CHSAA Region III State Qualifying Tournament

February 28 Holy Family Congress

March 2-3 CHSAA Region II State Qualifying Tournament  
Ashley McCulloch  
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March 2-3 Colorado Grande District NSDA National Qualifying Tournament  
Renee Motter  
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March 2-3 Rocky Mountain North NSDA National Qualifying Tournament  
Campbell, Grant  
[gcampbell@psdschools.org](mailto:gcampbell@psdschools.org)

March 16-17 CHSAA State Tournament @ TBA

March 24 Rocky Mountain North NSDA Congress National Qualifying Tournament

April 6-7 Colorado District NSDA National Qualifying Tournament @ TBA  
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May 11-13 The National Individual Events Tournament of Champions  
(NIETOC) @ Denver East HS  
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720-423-8421