



## Flint Hills NFL District Newsletter

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Newsletter #6

Dear Coaches:

Spring Break is on the horizon, and there is much to do before it begins. First of all, NFL district congress legislation is due **this Friday, Mar. 16. Please submit the legislation in electronic form no later than 4:00 pm.** I will assemble the legislation and run it off for schools in attendance at Manhattan. I will submit it electronically to Cindy to be posted on the website.

### Current Standings

Please pay attention to your numbers allowed for district tournaments. If you used cx entries, you'll notice the number in the "used" column. Your total **does not subtract what you've used or added a bonus entry--you plan to enter 2 in every event.** You need to be getting in your members and degrees--turn in your NFL point sheets to nationals ASAP. Jeff West HS is interested in becoming an affiliate. We need to welcome Clay Center Comm. HS to our district!

#### District Standings As of 03/09/07

School	Members and Degrees		Current Slots for NFL tournaments*				Chapter Dues Paid	
	Current	Last Newsletter	Debate/Speech		Senate	House	National	District
			Total w/o bonus	Used				
Atchison Co. Comm. HS	0	0						
Baldwin	81	50	19	0	2	4	x	
Bishop Seabury Acad.	35	3	10	0	2	2	x	x
Clay Center Comm. HS							x	
Emporia	290	250	31	4	2	10	x	x
Hayden	38	36	10	1	2	4	x	x
Highland Park	25	25	8	0	2	3	x	x
Junction City	126	125	24	3	2	7	x	x
Manhattan	304	276	32	4	2	11	x	
Royal Valley	69	37	15	0	2	2	x	x
Seaman	68	68	15	3	2	5	x	x
Shawnee Heights	235	215	30	4	2	9	x	x
Silver Lake	166	154	27	2	2	8	x	x
Topeka High	232	202	30	4	2	9	x	x

Topeka West	136	122	24	4	2	7	x	x
Washburn Rural	401	382	34	4	2	13	x	x

Please get in your district dues in **ASAP. District Dues--\$30.00. Please make checks payable to: Flint Hills NFL, c/o Pam McComas, Topeka High School, 800 W. 10th, Topeka, KS 66612.** Check to see if you have sent your district dues. All entries at district tournaments will **\$5.00 per person**, and you can add this to your district dues.

Please get in your district and national dues in **ASAP. National Dues--\$99.00; District Dues--\$30.00.**

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Tournament Sites and Info</u>
<b>Mar. 16</b>	<b>3rd Packet of Legislation--NFL Packet due--4 pieces per school</b>
<b>Apr. 5</b>	<b>Green sheets due w/ judges for LD/PFD</b>
<b>Apr. 5</b>	<b>Orations due</b>
Apr. 13	<b>Green sheets due w/ judges for IE</b>
Apr. 18	<b>Green sheets due for Congress</b>
<b>Apr. 20-21</b>	<b>IE qualifier @ Washburn Rural</b>
Apr. 25-26	Student Congress qualifier @ ESU

**Extemp Topic Areas--2007**

Nathan Walker and his wife are not available to write topics this year. I have contacted another source to fill this need. Topics will be written for these areas. Please alert your extempers.

**IX**

- Africa
- Americas
- Europe
- Global Economic/Social Issues
- International Politics
- Iraq
- Middle East
- Pacific Rim/Orient/South Asia

**DX**

- Economy/Federal Budget/Fiscal & Monetary Policies
- Politics & Politicians
- Health & Social issues
- Education
- Media Issues & Content
- US Foreign/Military Policy
- Scient/Technology/Environment
- Crime and Justice/Legal Issues

Topics will be drawn from the big 3 magazines, **CSM, Economist, Business Week, National Review, Nation, etc.**

**LD/PFD--Friday, April 13--Topeka High School.**

To meet the number to qualify 2 to nationals, we need to have the following:

- LD –12-37 entries to qualify 2 debaters
- PFD –10-29 entries to qualify 2 teams

**Your judging quota is 1 judge for each entry at this tournament.** We will run the tournament **only on Friday** to allow for IE competition on Saturday or taking the ACT. Schedule for the tournament will be the same as last year's--it is listed below. Begin to secure your judges NOW. .

		From this point, round times will become flexible, based on the status of the double entries.	
Registration	8:15 am		
Assembly	8:30	LD & PFD Rd 3/4?	1:00
LD Rd 1	9:00	LD & PFD Rd 4/5?	2:00
LD Rd 2	9:45	LD & PFD Rd 5/6?	3:00
PFD Rd 1	10:30	LD & PFD Rd 6/7?	4:00
PFD Rd 2	11:15	LD & PFD Rd 7/8?	5:00
?Rd 3 LD			

**LD/PFD Strikes System**

Your judges must be at least sophomore status in college. Hopefully, they have heard rounds on the LD topic. You will receive 3 strikes prior to the tournament happening, as long as there is a large enough judging pool. Starting at quarters (8 or fewer teams), each coach will be allowed an additional strike. The judges' committee will lay down 5 cards of people who can see the round. The coach whose student is upholding the aff. side will get first strike, followed by the coach of the negative team.

**IE--Friday & Saturday, April 20-21--Washburn Rural HS**

- **IX, USX, OO, DI, HI** – 12-37 to qualify 2 in each event; 38 to qualify 3 in each event.
- **Duo** –10 or more to qualify two teams--30 will qualify three.
- How do you figure your entries? This is also on pg. TD – 2 of the District Tournament Manual. However, if you go to nflonline and log on, then click on the link for district tournament report, you will see your school and your chapter strength followed by the numbers of entries allowed in congress and speech (includes debate). Congress stands alone and is not a part of the Debate/Speech (debate, LD, PFD, Duo, and IE) entry. Remember to **deduct one entry** from the Debate/Speech number for each

debate team you entered. It's really not difficult to figure out, but if you have any questions, contact me, and I'll tell you what you can have for entries.

### **Other Entry Limitations--Important**

- Each student wishing to enter a NFL event must be a member of record no fewer than seven days prior to the event.
- Each student may enter congress and two debate/speech events.
- **A Public Forum or a Policy Team may now enter as a Duo at the NFL District contest as long as the proper form has been filled out and the same partners compete together in both events. (Council Minutes, Nov. 06)\*\*Note: Can only enter 1 team debate event.**
- Each school may enter up to four in each event, but the total number entered MUST not exceed the number said school is allowed due to chapter/affiliate strength. Look at the chart frequently.
- In congress, you may only enter what is allowed according to the district tournament report.
- It is important to get your members and degrees up prior to any district tournament. The National Office will determine each school's members/degrees 1 week prior to the district qualifying tournament.

### **Judge Requirements for IE**

**1 judge for every 5 entries.** The judge must be at least a sophomore status in college. Try to procure judges who can see more than one event. We have to have 60-65 judges for the first two rounds of competition. The host school has the burden of procuring 2/3 of these people.

**Strikes for IE**—We will use the old Flint Hills' model—coaches get to strike ONLY in finals. \*\*Remember, we are using Joy of Tournaments--the program will randomly lay down the judges.

### **IE Schedule @ Washburn Rural**

**Friday, April 20**

**Saturday, April 21**

#### **Schedule for IE**

##### **Friday, April 20**

Registration	2:00
Assembly TBD	2:45
Extemp Inst--TBDr	3:15

##### **Saturday, April 21**

Draw	8:00
Rd. 3	8:30
Draw	10:00

Draw	3:30	Rd. 4	10:30
Rd. 1	4:00	Draw	12:00
Draw	5:30	Rd. 5	12:30
Rd. 2	5:45	etc .	
		Assembly--Student	
		Cafe	

## IE Tournament Rules

- At NFL tournaments Extempers are not allowed to use notes.
- Extemp files at NFL tournaments may not have handwritten notes except for an index, articles must be originals or Xerox copies, highlighting may be in only one color, and **NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES MAY BE IN PREP**. There's more in the Mnual. Please read it and follow it.
- Interp selections must be published in a book or magazine. Publication solely on the Internet is not allowed. Original book, magazine, or manuscript must be presented at registration. If you cannot prove publication at registration the entry will be disqualified before we begin.
- No student may repeat a selection from a previous year. This also includes oration.
- DI and HI may not use any props. This includes a chair. Remember, this is NFL not KSHSAA.
- Orations must be the original work of the student. I am attaching the cover page for orations that are to be submitted two weeks prior to the tournament **due April 7**. Each student should complete the cover page with bibliography and sign it, along with the coach. **Highlight quoted words in one color of highlighter (be sure to put quotation marks around the quoted words); highlight paraphrasing in another color.** The District Committee will read and count quoted words. If an orator is in excess of 150 words, the oration will be returned to the coach for the student to revise. The final copy of the oration must be in my hands 1 week before the IE tournament.

### Things to do NOW

1. Submit prelim entry before Mar. 15
2. Submit NFL legislation before Mar. 16
3. Get in NFL points
4. Procure your judges
5. Orations--Give cover sheet to prospective orators and get the necessary material put together.

Sincerely,

Pam McComas  
Flint Hills NFL District Chair

**Flint Hills NFL Spring Tournaments—Fax 785-575-6255 on or before Mar. 15!**

\_\_\_\_\_ High School intends to enter the following:

**The tournament report located at NFL online will give you the number of total spots you have available.**

**LD/PFD—April 13--Topeka High**

\_\_\_\_\_ LD (max. 4)

\_\_\_\_\_ PFD (max. 4)

**No student may double enter in policy debate, PFD, and Duo.**

**Individual Events at Washburn Rural, April 20-21**

\_\_\_\_\_ IX (max. 4)

\_\_\_\_\_ USX (max. 4)

\_\_\_\_\_ OO (max. 4)

\_\_\_\_\_ DI (max. 4)

\_\_\_\_\_ HI (max. 4)

\_\_\_\_\_ Duo (max. 4)

**Congress at Emporia State University, April 25-26**

\_\_\_\_\_ Senators

\_\_\_\_\_ Representatives (qualifying chamber)

\_\_\_\_\_ Novice House (max. 4)

**Flint Hills N.F.L.**

**Original Oration Cover Form**

This form must be submitted as a cover sheet attached to the Original Oration. A typewritten, double-spaced copy of the oration must be attached along with Xerox copies of the sources used for quoted and paraphrased words. Orations and highlighted material are due to the district chair two weeks prior to the tournament.

**Due April 9**

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Oration \_\_\_\_\_

Number of quoted words \_\_\_\_\_

- Sources
- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 6 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 7 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 8 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 9 \_\_\_\_\_
  - 10 \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that this work is my original creation and is not taken as a whole or in part from the work of any other person without giving due credit for any material used in this speech.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Contestant

I certify that to the best of my knowledge this is the original work of the above-named student and that this oration meets the criteria outlined in the NFL rules for this event.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of NFL Sponsor/Coach

**LD/PFD/Speech Judges**

**Return this form to:**

**LD/PFD—April 7  
IE—Apr. 13**

**Pam McComas**  
Topeka High School  
800 W. 10<sup>th</sup>  
Topeka, KS 66612

**Judge 1**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Community \_\_\_\_\_

School(s) this judge should not hear: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle events:   FX       USX               OO               DI               HI               Duo

LD    PFD

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**Judge 2**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Community \_\_\_\_\_

School(s) this judge should not hear: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle events:   FX       USX               OO               DI               HI               Duo

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**Judge 3**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Community \_\_\_\_\_

School(s) this judge should not hear: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle events:   FX       USX               OO               DI               HI               Duo

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**Judge 4**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Community \_\_\_\_\_

School(s) this judge should not hear: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle events:   FX       USX               OO               DI               HI               Duo

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**Duplicate this form as needed for additional judges.**

**Remember:    This form is due one week before the tournament.  
                  All judges should be a minimum of one full year out of high school.**

**Return to Gail Naylor, Silver Lake HS--April 6--LD/PFD**

School \_\_\_\_\_

Judge 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Years of judging \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ This judge is available on Friday

Home community \_\_\_\_\_

Did this judge debate in high school? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Did this judge debate in college? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

School(s) this judge should not hear \_\_\_\_\_

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Judge 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Years of judging \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ This judge is available on Friday

Home community \_\_\_\_\_

Did this judge debate in high school? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Did this judge debate in college? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

School(s) this judge should not hear \_\_\_\_\_

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Judge 3 \_\_\_\_\_ Years of judging \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ This judge is available on Friday

Home community \_\_\_\_\_

Did this judge debate in high school? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Did this judge debate in college? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

School(s) this judge should not hear \_\_\_\_\_

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Judge 4 \_\_\_\_\_ Years of judging \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ This judge is available on Friday

Home community \_\_\_\_\_

Did this judge debate in high school? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Did this judge debate in college? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

School(s) this judge should not hear \_\_\_\_\_

