

**APPLICATION FOR
TOURNAMENT HOSTS – (rising JUNORS only)**

Name _____

Tournament hosts are responsible for preparing for and running the NSHS speech tournament. They choose trophies, buy/create thematic decorations and organize the decorating of NSHS for the tournament. They write the group discussion and impromptu prompts, create folders for each participating school and do whatever needs to be done in advance to organize the tournament. During the tournament they handle registration as schools arrive. They help out in TAB. They are the spokespeople for NSHS, welcoming schools, making announcements, and conducting the final awards ceremony. Tournament hosts must be highly organized, friendly, flexible and responsible. Tournament hosts must also be able to work well together. This year we had two tournament hosts who were debaters and two who did speech events. I plan to do that again next year.

The tournament will be either Saturday, January 7th OR 14th, 2017. (Most likely, January 7). If you have a conflict with either date, explain here:

What strengths would you bring to this job?

What weaknesses would you need to concentrate on in order to do this job well?

You may apply alone or with another person/people with whom you feel you would work well. It is possible that people who request to work together may not all be selected, so if you are willing to work with people other than those you indicate here (if you indicate anyone), please let me know.

Tournament hosts must be available to work on the tournament intensively during the week leading into the tournament. They must be available to work on the invitation and to do other preliminary work starting about 8 weeks before the tournament. Ideally they will also be available on December 28 (a Wednesday) to come in to school to help with preparations. It is not a huge time commitment until the week of the tournament, but hosts must be in regular communication with Mrs. Honeyman during the months leading up to the tournament to be sure they are doing the things that need to be done along the way.

Being in a winter play would be a major obstacle to doing this job well during the week of January 2-6.

To what extent are you able to commit yourself to the time requirements for this position?