



Dear Board Members and Administrators,

Please note that this is a resubmission due to the cancellation of the Golden Desert tournament. The Colleyville tournament replaces Golden Desert and will be held the same weekend.

Below you will find Glenbrook South Debate's proposal for our spring of 2022 debate schedule. We know that these are unusual and difficult times, and we very much appreciate your consideration of our request.

As you are aware, debate in our district has a long tradition of national and state excellence. In order to maintain success as a leading nationwide program, in-person debate and national tournaments are imperative. While we have been able to survive as a program online during this school year and the previous two seasons, the national circuit is starting to come back to in-person debate, and it is important that we keep up with the national trend. Additionally, after two years of Zoom, we strongly feel that it is healthier for many of our students to debate in person.

It is unlikely that we can experience success at state and nationals without attending in person tournaments starting in January. Both students and staff alike understand the importance of following all COVID safety precautions and using extreme caution during these trips. We will put a variety of measures in place including but not limited to a strict mask policy, reducing the number of students per hotel room, and testing and/or vaccination prior to the trip.

I want to address a few items of potential concern. First, we do have a plan in place in the event that a student or staff member becomes sick and/or needs to quarantine while on the trip. We will provide extra staff for these trips, so that in the event that a quarantine becomes necessary, we will be able to get the unaffected students home but will be able to properly support those students who are impacted.

Second, if there are students or families who are not comfortable with in person competition, we will continue to provide other options when possible. We are not trying to eliminate online competition completely. We just want to make sure that there are

options available for those students who feel that those opportunities would be beneficial to them.

Third, we will pay for these trips using refundable methods. 100% of the funds for these trips will come from what we raise by hosting the Glenbrooks Speech and Debate Tournament in November. Therefore, we will not need to collect family contributions. We will book refundable Marriott hotels with whom we have long standing relationships and will make sure they can be canceled if need be. We will book refundable airline tickets directly from the airlines themselves to make the process as simple as possible to get refunds in case a need arises due to the shifting conditions of the pandemic. I believe we can set up our system so that we can get refunds if we cancel 24 hours or more in advance.

It means the world to us as a debate team and myself personally (as both the current Director of Debate and a former debater from Glenbrook South) to have your support in all that we do. Thank you for your consideration, and do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Alyssa Corrigan

Director of Debate and Social Studies Teacher

Glenbrook South

Calendar for Board of Education - Glenbrook South Debate

<i>Date</i>	<i>Tournament Name</i>	<i>Online/In Person</i>
1/28-1/30	Barkley Forum for High Schools at Emory University	Online
1/29	Illinois Congressional Debate Association 5	In person - Hoffman Estates, IL
2/5 - 2/7	Colleyville - please note that this tournament replaces Golden Desert due to the cancelation of Golden Desert	In person - Colleyville, TX
2/11-2/13	Maine East Regatta Tournament	In person - Park Ridge, IL
tbd	Local Novice Scrimmage - TBD	In person and Zoom divisions - local
2/19-2/21	University of California - Berkeley Tournament	In person and Zoom divisions- Berkeley, CA (only in person option approved for national championship qualifying bid)
3 /5 -3/6	Montgomery Bell Academy Round Robin	In person - Nashville, TN
2/26	Illinois Congressional Debate Association 6	In person - Harper College, Palatine, IL
3/5-3/6	Northern Illinois District Tournament	TBD (local if in person)
3/11-3/13	Illinois Debate Coaches Association JV Novice State Championship Tournament	TBD (local if in person)
3/18-3/19	IHSA Varsity State Championship	In person -

		Normal, IL
4/9-4/11	National Debate Coaches Association National Championship Tournament	Online
4/16-4/18	Tournament of Champions	Tentatively in person - Lexington, KY
6/12-6/17	National Speech and Debate Association National Championship Tournament	In person - Louisville, KY



Alyssa Corrigan <acorrigan@glenbrook225.org>

Letter for Golden Desert High School Tournament

Jacob Thompson <jacob.thompson@unlv.edu>
To: Alyssa Corrigan <acorrigan@glenbrook225.org>

Fri, Nov 12, 2021 at 6:07 PM

To the Glenbrook South High School Administration:

I am sorry to report we are no longer able to host the 2022 Golden Desert High School Debate Tournament at UNLV as an in-person tournament. We were forced to make this decision based on very recent personnel changes in the UNLV Debate Program. These changes have made hosting an in-person tournament logistically impossible in 2022. Our reasons for not hosting are **not** COVID-related.

This late-breaking development has put the Glenbrook South Debate team in a very tough position after they sought your permission to travel to the Golden Desert national qualifier tournament for in-person competition. For that, I am deeply sorry and I apologize.

Your head debate coach, Alyssa Corrigan is doing an amazing job. She is an incredible advocate for GBS students, and is a credit to your school. She is absolutely correct in her position that in-person debating is superior in every way to online debating. The alternative in-person national qualifying tournament being held the same weekend as Golden Desert is the Colleyville High School Debate Tournament. It is my sincere hope that personnel changes in the UNLV Debate Program do not prevent very deserving GBS debaters from being able to travel to and compete at an in-person national qualifying tournament.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Best regards,

Dr. Jacob Thompson

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Field Trip Request for Overnight Trips

Revised: December 2017

Trip Description

Type of Field Trip: Instructional Student Activity / Co-Curricular

School: Glenbrook North Glenbrook South Other: _____

Sponsor(s): Alyssa Corrigan Extension: 4857

Activity / Class Name: Debate

Description: Colleyville Debate Tournament

Date(s) of Trip: 2/3-2/6

Number of Chaperones: 3 Number of Students: 16

Names of Chaperones: Alyssa Corrigan, KJ Reese, Sam Gustavson

Transportation Information

Departing from: GBS date: 2/3/22 at: 8:00 AM PM

Traveling to (complete address): Marriott - 2201 Airport Freeway Bedford Texas 76021 USA

Returning from (complete address): 5401 Heritage Ave, Colleyville, TX 76034 date: 2/6/22 at: 6:30 AM PM

Returning to: Personal Homes date: 2/6/22 at: 8:30 AM PM

Students released from class (indicate time or blocks): Friday, 2/4/22

Permission Slip Needed? Yes No Waiver Slip Needed? Yes No Should the bus remain with the trip? Yes No

Car(s): _____ Bus(es): _____ D225 Van(s): _____ Other: Rented car/plane

Financial Information

Does this trip require money to be collected from students? Yes No

Begin Collection on: _____ End Collection on: _____

Cost Per Student

Cost per Student*: \$ _____

* See attached cost allocation worksheet for additional expense detail.

Accounting Details

Instructional / Course Field Trip Student Activity / Co-Curricular Field Trip

Account Number: GBN: 10L200 4850 0000 00 000000 _____

GBS: 10L300 4850 0000 00 000000 Please write account number above.

For Business Services Department Use

Bank Cash Account: Cash Receipts Agency Fund

Approval

Requestor: Alyssa Corrigan *Alyssa C* Date: 12/6/22
Instructional Supervisor or Assistant Principal*: *[Signature]* Date: 12/16/21
Associate Principal: *[Signature]* Date: _____

* Instructional field trips require the signature of an Instructional Supervisor; Student Activity field trips require the signature of the Assistant Principal.

Superintendent and Board of Education Approval *

Principal: *[Signature]* Date: 12/16/2021
Superintendent: _____ Date: _____
Board of Education: _____ Date: _____

* Board Policies 7050 (Educational Travel Experiences) and 7230 (Student Trips) require the recommendation of the Principal and approval of the Superintendent for all overnight student trips. Approval of the Board of Education is required for all student trips conducted outside of the State of Illinois or adjacent states, as well as educational tours requiring one day or more of student absence.

For School Office Use

Date Request Received: _____
Date Trip Approved: _____
Date Bus Ordered: _____
Date D225 Van Reserved: _____
Cost of Transportation: _____
Request Sent to Business Services Department: GBN: gbnfeesetup@glenbrook225.org Date: _____
GBS: gbsfeesetup@glenbrook225.org _____

For Business Services Department Use

Fee Setup Activities: Master Fee Roster PowerSchool e~Funds for Schools
 Notice to Bookstore Notice to Faculty Sponsor and Department Assistant

Trip Information

Trip Description: Colleyville Debate Tournament - 2/3/22-2/6/22

Staff Expenses

Number of Staff: 3

<u>Per Staff Member</u>		<u>Total Staff Expenses</u>		<u>Meal Per Diem Maximum Reimbursement Rates</u>	
Meals:	\$ 0.00	Meals:	\$ 0.00	Breakfast	\$ 4.00
Transportation:		Transportation:		Lunch	\$ 8.00
Air	\$ 500.00	Air	\$ 1500.00	Dinner	\$ 20.00
Bus / Car	\$	Bus / Car	\$ 0.00	Per Day	\$ 32.00
Lodging:	\$ 300.00	Lodging:	\$ 900.00		
Total Cost:	\$ 800.00	Total Cost:	\$ 2400.00		

Student Expenses

Number of Students: _____

<u>Per Student</u>		<u>Total Student Expenses</u>	
Meals:	\$	Meals:	\$ 0.00
Transportation:		Transportation:	
Air	\$ 500.00	Air	\$ 7000.00
Bus / Car	\$	Bus / Car	\$ 0.00
Lodging:	\$ 135.00	Lodging:	\$ 1890.00
Total Cost:	\$ 635.00	Total Cost:	\$ 8890.00

Other Expenses

Registration:	\$ 280.00
Judging:	\$ 1800.00
Officiating:	\$
Total Cost:	\$ 2080.00

Total Trip Expenses

Staff Expenses:	\$ 2400.00
Student Expenses:	\$ 8890.00
Other Expenses	\$ 2080.00
Total Cost:	\$ 13370.00

Payment Responsibility

Paid by Students:	\$ 3342.50	Per Student Cost:	\$ 186.00
Paid by District:	\$ 10027.50		

Description of Expenses Paid by Students
Student portion paid by Student Activities account
(Glenbrooks fundraising)AS905820