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To: Dr. Charles Johns

From: Dr. John Finan

Re: GBN Debate Travel Schedule Change

Date: January 9, 2020

Attached is a request from Michael Greenstein, Debate sponsor at GBN, to replace the Tournament of Champions (TOC) in Lexington, KY the weekend of April 18-20 with the National Debate Coaches Association National Championship (NDCA) in Bloomington, IN the weekend of April 4-6.

I fully support this change to the travel schedule.

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Debate

To: Dr. Michael Tarjan
From: Dr. Michael Greenstein
Re: National Debate Coaches Association National Championship
Date: January 9, 2020

The Board of Education approved GBN Debate's travel calendar for the 2019-2020 school year over the summer. GBN Debate would like to replace the Tournament of Champions (TOC) hosted by the University of Kentucky in Lexington, KY the weekend of April 18-20 with the National Debate Coaches Association National Championship (NDCA) hosted by Indiana University in Bloomington, IN the weekend of April 4-6. The NDCA tournament has become a better fit for our style of debate and beliefs about what provides our students with a pedagogically sound experience.

This change would be cost neutral or save money. The amount spent on transportation would be the same since the team would drive to either contest and hotel rooms are often cheaper during that time of year in Bloomington, IN.

This change is within Board parameters regarding national finals for debate teams and the Board already approved GBS Debate's attendance at the NDCA tournament over the summer.

GBN Debate Tournament Schedule 2019-2020

DATE	TOURNAMENT	DIVISION	CODE
Sept 6-8	Niles Township Invitational, Skokie, IL	Policy - V	RC
Sept 12-16	Greenhill Classic and RR - Dallas, TX	Policy - V	NI
Sept 28	Niles West Congress Tournament - Skokie, IL	Congress - V	RC
Sept 28	Novice/JV Scrimmage - Niles West	Policy - N/JV	--
Oct 8	Novice Scrimmage - GBS	Policy - N	--
Oct 12-14	New Trier Invitational - Winnetka, IL	Policy/Congress- V	RC
Oct 15	Spartan/Titain Scrimmage - GBN	Policy - N	--
Oct 19	Novice/JV Scrimmage - Niles North	Policy - N/JV	RC
Oct 25-27	Caucus - Cedar Rapids Washington, IA	Policy - V	RC
Nov 1-3	University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, MI	Policy - V/N	RC
Nov 15-16	Bettendorf Invitational - Bettendorf, IA	Policy/Congress - V/N	RC
Nov 23-27	GLENBROOKS and RR - Northbrook, IL	ENTIRE TEAM	--
Dec 6-8	Michigan State University - East Lansing, MI	Policy - V/N	RC
Dec 10	GBN Congress Tournament - Northbrook, IL	Congress - V	RC
Dec 13-15	Dowling Paradigm - Des Moines, IA	Policy/Congress - V/N	RC
Dec 20-22	Blake Invitational - Minneapolis, MN	Policy/Congress - V/N	NI
Jan 4-6	Southern Bell Forum - Nashville, TN	Policy - V	NI
Jan 22-26	Pace RR/Barkley Forum (Emory) - Atlanta, GA	Policy/Congress - V	NI
Jan 31-Feb 2	Evanston Invitational - Evanston, IL	Policy/Congress - V/N	RC
Feb 7-8	Maine East Regatta - Park Ridge, IL	Policy - V/N	RC
Feb 12-16	Crestian RR and Tournament - Ft. Lauderdale, FL	Policy - V	NI
Feb 21-23	Iowa City West - Iowa City, IA	Policy - V/N	RC
March 7-8	NSDA District Qualifier - TBD	Policy/Congress - V	RC
March 13-15	IDCA JV/N State - TBD	Policy - N/JV	RC
March 19-21	IHSA Varsity State - Bloomington, IL	Policy/Congress - V	RC
March 27-29	JV/Novice Nationals - Cedar Rapids, IA	Policy - N/JV	RC
April 18-20	Tournament of Champions - Lexington, KY	Policy - V	NF
June 14-19	NSDA Nationals - Albuquerque, NM	Policy/Congress - V	NF

Division Key: Varsity = V, Junior Varsity = JV, Novice = N

Tournament Type: RC = Regional Contest, NI = National Invitational, National Final = NF