

**To:** Dr. Mike Riggle  
**From:** Paul Pryma & Brian Wegley  
**Re:** Debate Student Travel Information  
**Date:** August 26, 2009

**General Information on Student Travel**

Below is a summary regarding the information on student travel along with information that summarizes the impact the new *Guidelines for Student Trips* (see attached) has had on our debate program.

There are three types of travel that occur within District 225.

<b>Types of Travel</b>	<b>Description of Travel</b>
Student Trips	Sponsored, conducted and partially or fully financed by District 225. These include field trips, activity trips, athletic trips, etc.
Educational Tours	Conducted by District 225 but not financed by the district. Example: Band tour to Arizona.
Educational Travel	Not sponsored or financed by District 225. Sponsor allowed to “inform” students of travel plans.

Student trips are the most common scenario for our students and the only travel financed by the district. In the past, 100% of travel costs and meals were covered by District 225 for student trips. Seven years ago, as part of District 225 efficiency work, the district stopped supporting meals for student trips. In addition, three years ago, the administrative team worked with the board to establish clear guidelines for student trips.

The *Guidelines for Student Trips* have been followed carefully by our athletic teams, clubs and activities. They only participate in contests and activities approved by the IHSA or that meet the guidelines established by the National Association of Secondary School Principals in the “National Advisory List of Approved Student Contests and Activities” publication. In addition, the district reduced its financial responsibility to 75% of the transportation and lodging expenses for national travel. Students have assumed the responsibility for 25% of the costs associated with travel and lodging at national contests. Students continue to pay for their meals during all forms of travel.

This cost sharing strategy has realized its desired affects. In general, these guidelines have caused clubs to reexamine their fund-raising and generating strategies and have helped raise awareness of costs associated with travel. However, the downside of this new policy, as predicted, is that fund-raising efforts by sponsors and coaches pulls them away from their focused efforts with students. In addition, in the current economy, it is becoming increasingly difficult to successfully fund-raise and secure corporate sponsors.

### **Impact of New Guidelines on Debate**

The Glenbrook Debate programs are slightly different in structure, but both incredible. The success of these two programs with state and national championships year after year reflect positively on the quality of our high schools and bring national recognition to the Glenbrooks. The GBN program focuses on Policy, Lincoln Douglas and Public Forum, with all three usually occurring at the same tournament. The GBS program participates in Policy, Public Forum and Congressional Debate. GBS has experienced healthy participation increases due to Congressional Debate. These increased numbers, combined with the fact that tournaments are at different locations, has led to a slight increase in the number of regional contests at GBS. This increase was discussed and approved previously by the board. It is important to note that the number of out-of-state and national contests has not increased.

The following data is a summary of contest numbers and budgets for the debate programs at Glenbrook North and Glenbrook South High Schools over the past five years.

### **Contest Numbers**

**Table 1: Glenbrook North High School**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Regional Trips</b>	<b>National Trips</b>	<b>National Finals</b>	<b>Total Out of State Trips</b>
<b>2004-2005</b>	16 (3 in contiguous states)	9	3	15
<b>2005-2006</b>	20 (4 in contiguous states)	9	3	16
<b>2006-2007+</b>	14 (3 in contiguous states)	9	3	15
<b>2007-2008</b>	16 (4 in contiguous states)	9	3	16
<b>2008-2009</b>	18 (3 in contiguous states)	9	3 possible	15 possible
<b>2009-2010</b>	14 (3 in contiguous states)	7	3 possible	13 possible

**Table 2: Glenbrook South High School**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Regional Trips</b>	<b>National Trips</b>	<b>National Finals</b>	<b>Total Out of State Trips</b>
<b>2004-2005</b>	23(4 in contiguous states)	8	3	15
<b>2005-2006</b>	24 (3 in contiguous states)	7	3	14
<b>2006-2007*</b>	20 (2 in contiguous states)	9	3	14
<b>2007-2008</b>	25 (3 in contiguous states)	8	3	14
<b>2008-2009</b>	24 (2 in contiguous states)	9	3 Possible	14 Possible
<b>2009-2010</b>	24 (4 in contiguous states)	9	3	16 Possible

## Debate Budget History

**Table 3: Glenbrook Debate Financial Summary**

Year	GBN Debate Budget	GBS Debate Budget
2004-2005	\$56,450	\$59,889
2005-2006	\$51,000	\$57,606
2006-2007*	\$53,750	\$57,606
2007-2008	\$57,000	\$57,606
2008-2009	\$61,000	\$57,606
2009-2010	\$61,000	\$62,750

**Table 4: GBN Debate National Student Travel**

Year	Total Expenses	GBN Budget Contribution (75%)	GBN Debate Student Contribution (25%)
2006-2007*	\$30,867.19	\$23,150.39	\$7,716.80
2007-2008	\$21,340.20	\$16,005.15	\$5,335.05
2008-2009	\$28,422.15	\$21,316.61	\$7,105.54

**Table 5: GBS Debate National Student Travel**

Year	Total Expenses	GBS Budget Contribution (75%)	GBS Debate Student Contribution (25%)
2006-2007*	\$29,253.53	\$23,402.82	\$5,850.71
2007-2008	\$28,048.11	\$22,438.48	\$5,609.63
2008-2009	\$22,780.99	\$18,224.79	\$4,556.20

*\*First year of new Guidelines for Student Trips*

### Summary

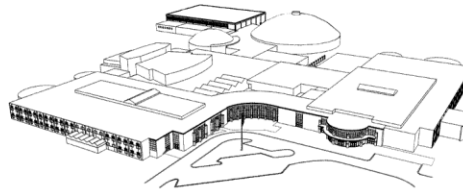
The debate programs have experienced little increase to their budgets to support increasing travel costs and reduced corporate sponsorships in a tight economy, and have maintained their number of contests. The debate programs at both schools have a long history of fund raising in order to supplement travel and overall program expenses. The parents, students and staff of each program should be commended for their efforts over the years in establishing two of the premier debate programs in the country.

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**To:** Dr. Mike Riggle

**From:** Brian Wegley

**Re:** GBS Debate Calendar 2009-2010

**Date:** August 14, 2009

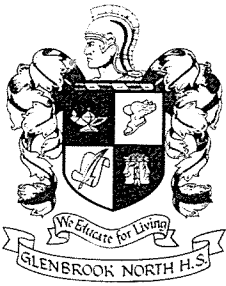
Attached is the proposed 2009-2010 travel calendar for the Glenbrook South Debate Society for approval. The calendar reflects a typical travel schedule for the GBS Debate program from the past several years.

Glenbrook South Debate has stayed within the School Board parameters of nine National Invitational (NI) tournaments and three National Final (NF) tournaments. As was the case in the last two years, Glenbrook South has slightly increased the number of local tournaments that are designated as Regional Contests. This was done to accommodate the number of students within the debate program and to meet the needs of our Congressional Debaters whose tournaments are often not run concurrently with those involving Policy/Public Forum Debate. The addition of a few more local tournaments allows many more students to participate. The GBS Debate program will strictly adhere to the Board's travel funding policy and will continue to stay within its budget.

**GLENBROOK SOUTH DEBATE**  
**TOURNAMENT CALENDAR 2009-2010**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TOURNAMENT</u></b>	<b><u>DIVISION</u></b>	<b><u>CODE</u></b>
Sept 10-14	Greenhill Fall Classic/Greenhill RR, Dallas, TX	Select Varsity-Policy	NI
Sept 18-19	Marquette Hilltopper Classic, Milwaukee, WI	Policy/PF	RC
Sept 26	JV/Novice Scrimmage – Lane Tech	JV policy/Novice – all	RC
Oct. 9-11	New Trier, Winnetka, IL	Varsity Policy	RC
Oct 16-17	ICDA – Elk Grove	Student Congress	RC
Oct 18	Schaumburg Public Forum	Public Forum	RC
Oct. 16-18	Bronx High School of Science, NY	VCX, PF, SC	NI
Oct 23-25	St. Mark’s School of Texas, Dallas, TX	Varsity Policy, PF, SC	NI
Oct 30-Nov1	Washington HS, Cedar Rapids, IA	Policy/PF	RC
Nov 07	Fremd HS Public Forum	Public Forum	RC
Nov. 6-8	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI	Policy – V, JV, N	RC
Nov. 13-14	Homewood-Flossmoor, Homewood, IL	Policy-all/PF	RC
Nov 13-14	ICDA – Dundee Crown	Student Congress	RC
Nov 24-25	Northwestern RR, Evanston, IL	Select Policy	RC
Dec. 05	ICDA – Barrington	Student Congress	RC
Dec. 11-13	Dowling Paradigm, Des Moines, IA	Policy/Stu Co/PF	RC
Dec 19	Buffalo Grove HS, Buffalo Grove, IL	Public Forum	RC
Dec 18-20	Blake Invitational, Minneapolis, MN	Select Policy, PF	NI
Jan. 08-10	Southern Bell Forum, Nashville, TN	Select Varsity – Policy	NI
January 09	Sandburg HS Public Forum, IL	Public Forum	RC
Jan. 15-16	Lane Tech HS, Chicago, IL	Policy – all divisions	RC
Jan 16-18	Golden Desert Invitational, Henderson, NV	Policy/PF/Stu Co	NI
January 16	ICDA – Schaumburg	Student Congress	RC
January 23	Barrington HS, Barrington, IL	Public Forum	RC
Jan. 29-31	Barkley Forum, Emory University, Atlanta, GA	Select Policy/Stu Co/PF	NI
Feb 6-7	Evanston HS, Evanston IL	Policy/Public Forum	RC
Feb 11-15	Harvard RR/Harvard University	Policy, SC, PF	NI
Feb. 19-21	Oak Park-River Forest HS	Policy – all	RC
March 5-6	NFL District Qualifier - Location TBD	Policy/Stu Co/PF	RC
Mar 12-13	ISTA JV/Novice States – Fremd HS	Policy, Stu Co – JV, N	RC
Mar 18-20	IHSA Varsity States – Bloomington, IL	Policy, Stu Co, PF	RC
Mar 26-28	JV/Novice National Championships, Atlanta, GA	Policy – JV, N	NI
April 17-19	NDCA Championships, Washington, DC	Policy – V	NF
April 16-17	ICDA State Tournament, Northern Illinois Univ	Student Congress	RC
May 01-03	Tournament of Champions, Lexington, KY	Policy/Student Congress	NF
June 13-19	NFL Nationals – Kansas City, MO	Policy/Congress/PF	NF

Division Codes – Policy (P), Public Forum (PF), Student Congress (Stu Co)  
V (Varsity), JV (Junior Varsity), N (Novice)  
9 National Invitationals, 24 Regional Contests, 3 National Finals



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Re: GBN Debate Calendar 2009-10

Date: August 24, 2009

Attached is the proposed 2009-10 travel calendar for the Glenbrook North Debate Program. The calendar is reflective of seasons from the recent past and is compliant with School Board parameters (nine national, and three national final tournaments). The program will continue to follow the Board policy for funding its national travel.

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### Preliminary Debate Tournament Schedule 2009-2010

DATE	TOURNAMENT	DIVISION	CODE
Sept. 10-14	Greenhill School - Dallas, TX	Policy/LD - V	NI
Sept. 18-19	Marquette University - Milwaukee, WI	Policy/LD/PF - All	RC
Sept. 26	Novice #1: Lane Tech Scrimmage - Chicago, IL	Policy - All N	RC
Oct. 6	Novice #2: GBN Scrimmage - Northbrook, IL	Policy - All N	
Oct. 9-11	New Trier - Winnetka, IL	Policy - V	RC
Oct. 23-25	Heart of Texas (St. Marks) - Dallas, TX	Policy/LD - V	NI
Nov. 6-8	University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, MI	Policy - All	RC
Nov. 9	Fremd - Palatine, IL	LD/Public Forum - All	RC
Nov. 13-14	Homewood-Flossmoor - Flossmoor, IL	Policy/LD/PF - All	RC
Nov. 17	GBN LD Scrimmage	LD - N	
Nov. 21-23	THE GLENBROOKS	MANDATORY FOR ALL	
Dec. 5-7	Ohio Valley, Lexington, KY	Policy/LD/PF - All	RC
Dec. 18-20	Blake Invitational - Minneapolis, MN	Policy/LD/PF - V	NI
Jan 2-3	VBT Championships - Los Angeles, CA	LD - V	NI
Jan. 8-10	Southern Bell Forum - Nashville, TN	Policy/LD - V	NI
Jan. 23	Barrington - Barrington, IL	PF/LD - All	RC
Jan. 29-31	Barkley Forum - Emory Univ., Atlanta, GA	Policy/LD - V	NI
Feb. 5-6	Evanston HS - Evanston, IL	Policy/LD/PF - V, JV, N	RC
Feb. 11-15	College Prep RR/Berkeley - Berkeley, CA	Policy/LD - V	NI
Feb. 19-21	Oak Park HS - Oak Park, IL	Policy/LD - V, N	RC
Mar. 5-6	NFL District Qualifier - GBS - Glenview, IL	Policy/LD/PF - V	RC
Mar. 12-13	ISTA JV/Novice States - FREMD, Palatine, IL	Policy/LD/PF - JV, N	RC
Mar. 18-20	IHSA Varsity States - Bloomington, IL	Policy/LD/PF - V	RC
Apr. 10-11	Northwestern Juniors RR - Evanston, IL	Policy - V	RC
Apr. 17-19	NDCA Championships - Washington, D.C.	Policy/LD - V	NF
May 1-3	Tournament of Champions - Lexington, KY	Policy/LD - V	NF
June 12-19	NFL Nationals - Kansas City, MO	Policy/LD/PF - V	NF
Division Key:	Varsity = V/Junior Varsity = JV/Novice = N		
	Lincoln-Douglas = LD/Public Forum = PF		
Code Key:	RC = Regional Contest/NF = National Final/NI = National Invitational		
Tournament Type:	Regional Contests = 14/National Invitationals = 7/National Finals = 3		