## Northview High School Speech and Debate Calendar

## 2023-2024-2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

Tournament	Location	Dates	Travel	Debate	Speech	Cost
The Southern Bell Forum	Montgomery Bell Academy 4001 Harding Pike, Nashville, TN 37205	1/5-1/7	Last year a parent carpool was able to save us additional travel fees.	Policy only (Octos Bid) 2 teams only.	N/A	Last season's cost ~\$350
Bishop's Guild Invitational	Samford University 800 Lakeshore Dr, Homewood, AL 35229	1/12-1/13	Last year we took a charter bus with Fulton County Schools.  OR  Parent carpool to reduce costs.	Policy only (Finals Bid)	N/A	Last season's cost- ~350
GFCA 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year State; Varsity Congress	TBD (host location changes every season; announced in October)	1/19-1/20	Parent carpool to host location.  1 night in a hotel (depending on tournament location)	All divisions- students of all years are REQUIRED to attend to volunteer judge and assist in coaching	All divisions- students of all years are REQUIRED to attend to volunteer judge and assist in coaching.	TBD depending on location.
The Barkley Forum	Emory University 201 Dowman Dr, Atlanta, GA 30322	1/26-1/28	Parent carpool to and from Emory University	All divisions (returning students only- must apply to qualify).	All divisions (returning students only- must apply to qualify).	Last season cost ~\$70
GFCA Varsity State	TBD (host location changes every season; announced in October)	2/9-2/10	Parent carpool to host location.  1 night in a hotel (depending on tournament	All qualifiers are REQUIRED to attend.	All qualifiers are REQUIRED to attend.	TBD depending on location.

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University California- Berkeley OR Harvard University	Location will be chosen between these two possible national tournaments before the beginning of the second semester based on cost and student interest.	2/16-2/19	Parent carpool to Hartsfield Jackson.  3 nights in a hotel.	All divisions offered.	All divisions offered.	TBD depending on location.
UGA Bulldog Debates	University of Georgia 456 E Broad St, Athens, GA 30602	2/23-2/25	Two nights in a hotel  Parent carpool or charter bus with Fulton County schools	Policy only (last qualifying opportunity for the TOC; finals bid).  Will only attend if students have not yet qualified for the TOC.	N/A	TBD- we did not attend this tournament last season.
1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year National Championship	Woodward Academy 1662 Rugby Ave, College Park, GA 30337	3/22-3/24	Parent carpool to Woodward Academy	All divisions offered.	N/A	Last season cost: ~\$60
Tournament of Champions	University of Kentucky, 140 Patterson Dr, Lexington, KY 40506	4/19-4/21	Last year we carpooled to reduce costs.  Otherwise, a flight or charter.	All who qualify are REQUIRED to attend.	All who qualify are REQUIRED to attend.	Last season cost: ~\$500
			3 nights in a hotel.			

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that tournament costs are predicated on the number of students attending the tournament, the number of entries we bring in each division, transportation/lodging for overnight tournaments and the number of volunteers vs. judges that we need to hire. Costs are divided evenly amongst each division.

<sup>\*</sup>In order to qualify to the Varsity State Tournament (which is our goal for as many students as possible to attend this capstone experience) students must attend at least two in-state tournaments and reach a particular level of elimination round (set by the number of tournament attendees) in order to earn a qualifying bid to state. Students must earn at least two qualifying bids.

\*In order to qualify for the Tournament of Champions, students must reach a set elimination level at a minimum of two high-level national competitions over the course of the season. Bids are listed where we know the elimination level. Speech bids are set by the number of entries in a division so they will be announced closer to a tournament.