## **Article VIII: The State Tournament - Events**

## Section 1. Competitive year/Events offered

- A. Competitive Year
  - The competitive year is defined as that period of time from the end of the State
     Tournament to the end of the State Tournament the following year. The competitive
     year is also used to define the limitations on when a speech or selection was written
     or utilized in competition. Speeches or selections used in a scholastic year of
     competition must not have been used in competition prior to the previous year's State
     Tournament.
- B. Determination of Events Offered: the Board of Directors shall determine one year in advance the events that shall be offered at the State Tournament from among the following:
  - 1. Debate Events
    - a. Lincoln Douglas debate
    - b. Parliamentary debate
    - c. Policy debate
    - d. Public Forum
  - 2. Student Congress
  - 3. Spontaneous Speaking
    - a. International Extemporaneous
    - b. National Extemporaneous
    - c. Impromptu Speaking
  - 4. Original Composition
    - a. Informative Speaking
    - b. Original Advocacy
    - c. Original Oratory
    - d. Original Prose/Poetry
  - 5. Interpretation Of Literature
    - a. Dramatic Interpretation
    - b. Humorous Interpretation
    - c. Declamation
    - d. Program Oral Interpretation
    - e. Duo Interpretation

## Section 2. Identification of Entrant

- A. Code symbols: Entries for the State Tournament shall be assigned a code composed of the symbols indicated below:
  - 1. Area designation: Each Area shall be identified through the use of different colored contestant cards (e.g., Area 1 = Yellow; Area 2 = Blue, Area 3 = Green; Area 4 = Pink).
  - 2. Each League in each Area shall be assigned a code letter by the Vice President-Activities or the Area Chairperson of the League's Area. No two Leagues should have the same code letter (e.g., Coast Forensic League = R).
  - 3. Each school shall be assigned a code letter by the Area Chairperson; e.g., Bakersfield HS = A. Thus, each contestant in each event from Bakersfield HS would have a contestant card of the appropriate color with code letters designating the League and school.

- 4. Each entry for the State Tournament shall be assigned an event number by the Vice President-Activities, and subsequently assigned to the qualifiers within each Area by the Area Chairperson. No two contestants shall have the same number. Numbers assigned to events inclusively are:
  - a. Debate Events
    - a. Policy debate = 1-64
    - b. Lincoln Douglas debate = 1201-1264
    - c. Parliamentary debate = 1401-1464
    - d. Public Forum Debate = 1501-1564
  - b. Student Congress = 2001 2090
  - c. Spontaneous Speaking
    - a. International Extemporaneous = 101-156
    - b. National Extemporaneous = 201-256
    - c. Impromptu Speaking = 801-856
  - d. Original Composition
    - a. Informative Speaking = 301-356
    - b. Original Advocacy = 401-456
    - c. Original Oratory = 901-956
    - d. Original Prose/Poetry = 1001-1056
  - e. Interpretation of Literature
    - a. Dramatic Interpretation = 501-556
    - b. Humorous Interpretation = 601-656
    - c. Declamation = 1101-1156
    - d. Program Oral Interpretation = 701-756
    - e. Duo Interpretation = 1301-1356