



## NEW TRIER | MEDIA, SPEECH & THEATRE

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPEECH AND DEBATE STUDENTS PROVIDED BY THE JOHN H. EMERY ESTATE

The New Trier Media, Speech & Theatre Department received a gift from the Estate of John H. Emery (NT '54) "to provide a special travel opportunity, access to or equipment for accessing advanced research sites and databases, or advanced educational opportunities that the regular academic budget might not be able to provide" to speech and debate students. We are grateful for Mr. Emery's generosity and we are proud to honor his wishes.

#### ***Special Travel Opportunities***

The New Trier Speech and Debate program has consistently participated in the highest level at local, regional, and national competitions. Regional and national travel tournaments are considered *Special Travel Opportunities* because this scale of competition is essential for students to be exposed to different coaching styles, arguments, judges, and to refine their perspective on their specific event in a developmentally appropriate manner.

Although there are minimal costs for students participating at the local levels, family investments for regional and national travel to tournaments can range from \$200.00 to \$600.00 per trip and includes student transportation and lodging. Entry fees, judging fees, and adult travel costs are the responsibility of the District. Information about approved travel opportunities and their related costs is shared in the speech and debate classes on a regular basis throughout the year. **The 2017-18 deadline for applications is October 9.**

#### ***Advanced Educational Opportunities***

Universities across the nation host speech and debate institutes staffed with leaders in the field and access to world-class research facilities. These institutes are *Advanced Educational Opportunities* because they provide rigorous and focused curricula that vastly expand the skills of students who are able to participate.

Summer institutes at these universities often range from \$2,000.00 to \$6,000.00 for tuition and housing. This does not include transportation or food costs. Information about approved summer programs and their costs is shared in the speech and debate classes each winter. **The 2017-18 deadline for applications is March 1.**

#### **How to Apply**

Families may request funds for Special Travel Opportunities and Advanced Educational Opportunities by completing the attached application. In an effort to be good stewards of Mr. Emery's gift, the department will award up to \$6,000 per year for the combined programs. Students should consider the entire tournament season and their family's financial situation when preparing an application. Students may apply for full or partial funding of any opportunity. Criteria include: academic standing, collaborative contributions to the program, event type/area of competition, number of prior funding requests, year group, and speech and debate course enrollment



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### JOHN H. EMERY ESTATE APPLICATION

Complete the information below and forward to Ms. Nina Lynn, Media, Speech & Theatre Department Chair, [LynnN@nth.snet.edu](mailto:LynnN@nth.snet.edu) or send to room 012 on the Winnetka Campus or E125 on the Northfield Campus.

The application process is confidential. The District will report disbursements to the Emery Estate without personal student information.

*Student Name* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date of Application* \_\_\_\_\_

*Speech and Debate Course* \_\_\_\_\_ *Student ID Number* \_\_\_\_\_

*Opportunity Type (Special Travel OR Advanced Educational)* \_\_\_\_\_

*Name and date(s) of Tournament or Institute* \_\_\_\_\_

*Cost of the Experience \$* \_\_\_\_\_ *Amount Requested \$* \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE:** Additional financial support and assistance is also available through the New Trier Fine Arts Association and work-study opportunities. Information about the NTFAA programs is available on the Media, Speech & Theatre Department and Performing Arts Division webpages. Families may be eligible for both Media, Speech & Theatre Department programs and NTFAA programs for participating students.