

Salvete, amicae carae et fortes etiam amici cari et fortes,

Ut semper Conventus Rei Publicae celerrime veniet. Gratias Maximas vobis ago omni tempori et labori quem vos dedistis et iterum dabit.

This year's Convention dates are THURSDAY – SATURDAY, JANUARY 29-31, 2009.
(Remember, the last Thursday in January is our agreed-upon yearly date.)
All registration forms and materials may be found on the WJCL website, www.wjcl.org.

PLEASE, READ ALL RESTRICTIONS ON ALL FORMS, print necessary forms for students, and discuss procedures with them. Be sure everyone understands that their signatures mean that THEY HAVE READ AND ARE ACCEPTING ALL RESPONSIBILITIES INDICATED ON THE FORMS. Don't forget to keep copies of completed forms for yourself and make copies of information for parents to have at home. Hard copies of all forms with payment must be mailed to me by DECEMBER 1, 2008. Unpaid registrations will not be accepted.

WJCL is once again offering our dedicated sponsors a 50% discount on Convention registration fees. Just fill out all your forms and send a check for half the proper fee. This is to thank the regulars and to encourage the new guys. Each school may register one adult at half price for every 12 students in attendance. All other adults must pay full price. If you want to come without students for your first time to check things out or just to help out, contact me. I will make you an offer you can't refuse.

A few Details – Hotel parking is free. All Friday daytime activities will be held at the Memorial Union of the University of Wisconsin. All Thursday and Friday evening as well as Saturday morning events will be held at the Inn on the Park Hotel. A limited number of Union parking permits are available. Please Email your request for these or any other questions or concerns to me. (jpolito@sdb.k12.wi.us or jpolito418@aol.com) (815-624-7807 or 815-988-9115)

For those of you returning this year remember to bring your flash drive, clearly labeled your school name, and turn it in at registration so that this year's scores can be placed on it for you to receive on Saturday morning.

Our next Board/Planning meeting is Sunday, December 7, at 1p.m. at Brookfield Academy. Sponsors and student representatives are encouraged to attend. See you at WAFLT or in Dec.!!
JP

Detailed registration instructions are:

The form entitled "WJCL School Registration must be filled out and submitted via email to insure that your delegation is registered correctly. This document is an Excel workbook that has 4 different worksheets in it. The different worksheets that you will need to fill out are as follows:

I Registration – please fill out the information for each attendee. You will notice that there is a level and title column that needs to be filled out. The level column should be filled out for every one attending Convention. This should be a number between 1-4 for each delegate that is competing in any contests and 0 for all non-competing individuals. (sponsors, chaperones, etc.) The title column is only filled out to indicate other information that needs to be printed on a nametag such as Sponsor, Chaperone, any Contest Chair, or Student Officer.

II Registration Example – This workbook is an example of how to fill out the registration worksheet.

III Rooming List – Please prepare this to indicate the rooming preferences for your delegation. Keep in mind that students are placed 4 to a room and adults are 2 to a room.

IV Certamen Team Registration –Starting this year all members of Certamen Teams must be registered by name on this form. This will insure that the scoring database has all the correct information. If you are not registering any Certamen teams this year, this can be left blank.

Impromptu Art teams must be pre-registered this year. Please follow directions on Mrs. Ganley's form.

Convention Scholarships - Because of increased expenses we have found it necessary to raise the convention fee to \$160. Every effort will be made to help students with difficulties. Please follow ALL DIRECTIONS ON THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CONCERNING PAYMENTS.

Individual registration will not be submitted on line. Please snail mail registrations and hard copies of all other forms BY DECEMBER 1, 2008 TO:

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