



Wisconsin Forensic Coaches' Association

~January 2024 Newsletter~

2024 Calendar

WFCA Scholarship Applications for Graduating Seniors

Due: Thursday, Feb 15, 2024
[Application Materials HERE](#)

WFCA Coaching Awards

Hintz Memorial Award
Hall of Fame Award

Due: Thursday, Feb 15, 2024
[Nomination Materials HERE](#)

WFCA State Grants

Due: Friday, March 15, 2024
[Application Materials HERE](#)

JUDGING RESOURCES:

- [WFCA Judge Handbook](#)

TRAINING RESOURCES:

- [Presentation](#)
Judge Training
- [Form](#)
Judge Awareness & Affirmation

WELCOME TO THE 2024 SEASON!

Hello WFCA coaches and forends of the association!

I am incredibly excited to start seeing your forendly faces and meeting new ones every weekend as our season has officially kicked off.

The beginning of the season can be an incredibly stressful time for coaches and students and judges, alike. Let's make sure we are all extending kindness and grace to each other as we shake off the cobwebs and get back in the swing of things. Our community is built on being of service to each other to best support our teams.

Remember! We have lots of resources to help you out! We have a coaching handbook, a judging handbook, a comprehensive judge training, a Facebook group to help you find judges, talented and informed program assistant co-chairs, and the wisdom of our exec board and other committee chairs! Use the website to seek these resources out so poor Communications Chair Cole doesn't have to hyper link them all on here. Here's a link to the website: <https://www2.wfcaforensics.org/>. Or, you can reach out to me to via email. I love answering questions and assisting our coaches in whatever way I can.

Seeing as I am also the DEIB chair, I also want to remind you of your ability to advocate for yourselves if you come across an issue during your tournament. Each tournament host is given an incident report form to add to their tournament doc. You, your students or your judges can fill this out. It goes right to me, and I can take necessary action to help remedy your issue to the best of my abilities. I also want to empower you to reach out to tournament hosts ahead of your attendance if anyone from your group needs any sort of accommodations. If you need a helping hand or someone to walk you through this, please reach out to me.

Again, I am looking forward to seeing everyone and getting another incredible forensics season in the books. Please say hi if you see me at a tournament!

-Submitted by Malysa Gabrielson, WFCA President, Sheboygan South

STATE CONGRESS & STATE TOURNAMENT APRIL 5 – 6 IN SUN PRAIRIE, WI

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