

In an effort to use our funds as an association in a more equitable way, we voted to eliminate the scholarships at the spring 2023 meeting. This proposal is to replace that recognition with the Ron Steinhorst Student of the Year Award, named after one of our association's founding coaches, Ron Steinhorst. By switching to this model, we can expand how many awards we give out in years where there are many deserving students or use the opportunity to focus on a smaller pool. We will still acknowledge them at the awards ceremony and they will receive an award/plaque of some sort. The exec board also discussed the chance of giving out small sums of scholarship money if we have the extra funds.

4. Ron Steinhorst Students of the Year Award: Any senior on a WFCA affiliated forensics team is eligible to apply for the award. The Awards committee will select the winners. Forms must be submitted to the Past President no later than March 1st. These awards will be announced and presented at the State Tournament. The criteria will be as follows: a. Acceptable grade point average; b. Extra-curricular speech/drama participation, especially in WFCA sponsored events; c. Community/school service d. Completion of the application.”

(Application was updated from the scholarship application to exclude irrelevant information (Personal phone numbers, local newspaper contact info, applicant GPA and ranks) and new information added (Service history)