

## IHSSA State Debate Clinic update.. will now go virtual on the 19<sup>th</sup> of September.

After numerous meetings and careful deliberation among the Executive Committee, Debate Coaches and the State Office staff, the IHSSA Executive Committee has made the decision that the IHSSA cannot hold the in-person State Debate Clinic for 2020. We arrived at this decision in light of the increasingly concerning news about the wide-ranging effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and human susceptibility to it, limitations by the host school, and with the very best interests of the health of IHSSA attendees, presenters and staff foremost in our minds. These considerations took precedence in our deliberations over what we know for the IHSSA debate community is very important event each year.

Therefore, the IHSSA is continuing to work hard to create the best possible educational IHSSA experience for you, and we have developed a virtual State Debate Clinic. This will take place on the 19<sup>th</sup> of September (same date) only in the virtual format to help develop your skills as an IHSSA debate student and coach.. Specific details about virtual session sign up procedures, activities, and ways to participate will be forthcoming on the IHSSA website and the August issue of SWIFT over the coming weeks. The clinic will take place September 19<sup>th</sup> from 10 to 12 and students can and should be a part of this exciting clinic this year. What a great way to start your program in Debate with the IHSSA Virtual State Debate Clinic on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

Please see the link on the IHSSA web page for registration and schedule for this event.

<http://www.ihssa.org/clinic2020.pdf>