

August 2026

TO: All Certified Judges

RE: Judge Certification



- By action of the Executive Committee, only certified judges may be used at District and State Contests. In order to maintain your certification, it is necessary to REGISTER. You may choose to register ONLINE through BOUND. [Here is the BOUND LINK](#). Additionally a QR code is below. Please submit the annual \$10 online through BOUND. If you need assistance with BOUND, please contact pam@ihssa.org or stacy@ihssa.org. **ADDITIONAL Instructions for BOUND registering can be found at ihssa.org.**
- **If you would prefer to submit a paper registration, please complete the paper form.**
- Attending a further training session the morning of the District or State Contest is mandatory.
- All judges are required to bring their copy of the Constitution & By-Laws with them when judging a contest. The complete, fully updated Constitution is downloadable at the IHSSA website under [CONSTITUTION](#). Please make sure you use the **current 2026 Constitution** on the IHSSA website as updates exist.
- Judges' email addresses will be given to all Contest Managers. **Please be sure to spell your email address/contact info correctly.**
- If you are a **novice judge** and were not given an opportunity to judge last year, contact the State Office and your certification fee will be waived for the current year.
- Address: **IHSSA, 5000 Westown Parkway, Ste. 150, West Des Moines, IA 50266**
- Please notify the State Office if your address or phone number changes at any time during the year: PAM@ihssa.org

Stacy S. Hansen, IHSSA Executive Director

BOUND QR CODE



2026-2027 IHSSA JUDGE CERTIFICATION FEE FORM

TO: All IHSSA Judges

RE: Judge Certification for 2026-2027

FEE: \$10 for the entire year

DUE: November 1, 2026

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete the entire form.

Then, return both the **FORM** and the **\$10 FEE** to:

**IOWA HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH ASSOCIATION
5000 WESTOWN PARKWAY, SUITE 150
WEST DES MOINES, IOWA 50266**

BOUND QR CODE



OPTION: In lieu of the paper form, you may choose to pay online at [BOUND](https://bound.org). Please pay your fee prior to taking the online test. **Instructions for BOUND registering can be found at ihssa.org**

ALL CURRENTLY CERTIFIED JUDGES: In order to maintain certification, \$10 payment is required—either online or on paper. In order to remain active, you must attend a certification clinic every three years. **PLEASE TAKE YOUR TIME and PRINT CLEARLY!**

LAST NAME _____ **FIRST** _____ **MIDDLE** _____ **MAIDEN** _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ **ZIP** _____ **COUNTY** _____

EMAIL _____

PRIMARY PHONE (____) _____ **ALTERNATIVE PHONE** (____) _____

PLEASE CIRCLE CLASSIFICATION:

Novice (New)

Intermediate (2-4 years)

Experienced (5+ years)

CERTIFICATION CLINIC ATTENDED

Date: _____

Site: _____

Are you currently an IHSSA judge? _____

Initial year judging for the IHSSA: _____

Are you currently coaching in Iowa? _____

Last year actively judged: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony criminal offense involving a minor child? _____

Have you ever been convicted or adjudicated with a finding of fault, guilt, or violation in regard to an offense defined by Federal or State law as a felony? _____