



*National Catholic Forensic League
Grand National Tournament
Fox Cities 2008*



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We're about a month away from the tournament and we will begin distributing these updates to address Frequently Asked Questions on a periodic basis as we get closer to the Grand National Tournament.

FOOD TICKETS - Food tickets are unique to the event site due to the myriad meal options being offered by each site--\$1 tickets for the High Schools, \$6 Buffet for FVTC, and \$15 Buffet for the Radisson. For your convenience, you may pre-pay by PayPal or credit card (via PayPal) on the website. All pre-orders must be received by May 19th. There is an 8% handling fee being charged to cover expenses (i.e., ticket purchase, PayPal charges, etc.). Pre-purchased food tickets will be included with the Diocesan Moderators' registration packets to distribute along with all the registration materials. PLEASE NOTE: Radisson tickets are ONLY available by pre-order. All other sites will offer the option of purchasing tickets at the event site.

MODERATOR REGISTRATION TRANSPORT - Moderators will need to arrange for their own transportation to the Radisson for Registration. There are taxi services available and they are listed under Airport Transportation on the Tournament web site. As a last resort, you may contact Ron Steinhorst (cell: 920-810-3348) and he will send someone for you.

HOTEL-EVENT SITE TRANSPORT ON EVENT DAYS - Please review the tournament schedule for the initial round of bus pickup times. Tab people should be advised that there are late busses scheduled to transport them back to their hotels on Saturday evening. People who desire to attend the Mass at the Radisson are on their own for transportation; the one exception is Policy Debate, which sometimes finishes so late that transportation to hotels and then back to the Radisson may not be feasible. We will give those at the Policy Debate Event Site the option of returning to their hotels or the Radisson. On Sunday, early rounds will be dropped off at their hotels if they wish or the Fox Cities Performing Arts Center ("PAC"). The doors for the PAC will not open until 7 p.m. by PAC policy. There are numerous options for places to camp out on College Avenue while waiting for the Awards Ceremony, including the Radisson across the street from the PAC. Busses will pickup at hotels for Awards and return people to hotels after Awards. Shuttles will run every two hours during the day on Sunday. Judges will need to plan ahead if they need to be at a Competition Site at 8, 10, 12 or 2. Bus drivers can communicate with dispatch if additional busses are needed at a particular site. Kobussen will be available at the Moderators' Meeting to go over final logistics.

AWARD CEREMONY SEATING - All Octo Finalists in Debate and Quarter Finalists in Speech and Congress will receive a badge from the judge chair which allows them to be seated in the Reserved section at the front of the PAC for Awards. The PAC is a large venue. All contestants that receive a badge must sit in the Reserved section to eliminate delays in assembling to receive an award.