



2023-2024 MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

Spectator Guide Speech State Tournament

Tournament Information

Date: Friday April 19th and Saturday April 20th, 2024

Location: Shakopee High School, 100 17th Ave W, Shakopee, MN 55379

Tournament Schedule:

Class A- Friday 10:15 a.m. Round 1 begins

Class AA- Saturday 10:15 a.m. Round 1 begins

Tickets

No tickets are required for the Speech State Tournament.

Spectator Resources

- The following are available at www.mshsl.org/speech
 - Complimentary Online Programs (programs are not available onsite)
 - Schedule
 - Results posted after the tournament
- Apparel for sale onsite and available online: <http://mshsl.signatureconcepts.shop/>

Streaming Information

- Streaming available through Neighborhood Sports Network (formerly known as PrepSpotlight/School Space) at: <https://nspn.tv/MSHSL>
 - Complimentary streaming of awards ceremonies

Spectator Policies and Information

- Guests should stay home if they are sick or experiencing symptoms of COVID-19
- Spectators are not permitted to bring cameras into League State Tournament venues. This includes both still and video cameras.
- Camera tri-pods/mono-pods and “selfie sticks” are NOT allowed.
- No balloons, laser pointers, noisemakers, air-horns, horns, drums, or whistles will be allowed in the facility.
- No weapons of any kind including licensed concealed carry weapons, knives, etc.
- No signs or banners may be hung in the facility. Hand-held signs allowed (can be held by one person).
- [MSHSL Behavior Expectations](#)



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These policies “elevate standards of sportsmanship and encourage the growth of responsible citizenship among the students, members schools and their personnel,” consistent with the Minnesota State High School League’s Founding Purposes and the belief that sportsmanship needs to have a constant presence in all school-based activity programs. The League and its member schools work intentionally to create safe, welcoming and inclusive environments for fine arts activities and sports in our schools and competitions.

School officials are responsible for the proper conduct of teams, team members, students, and home spectators regardless of where the contest is being held. (Bylaw 409).

Behavior Expectations

To create safe, welcoming and inclusive environments in fine arts and sports in our school and competitions, I will:

- Lead by positive example and demonstrate respect and support for others.
- Follow all MSHSL, school and venue expectations.
- Refrain from using profanity or ethnic, racial, religious, ability or gender-based comments, posts or messages directed at participants, directors, coaches, officials, spectators, or team representatives.
- Act as a responsible and respectful digital citizen who positively uses social media platforms.
- Speak or act in support of others when they are harmed by words or actions.
- Honor each contest and all involved, including participants, directors, coaches, officials, spectators, and team representatives.
- Hold high standards for myself, engage positively and demonstrate sportsmanship.

Requirements of Attendees

Prohibited Items

- Flags, whiteboards, large signs on sticks, signs with vulgar, obscene or inappropriate language or images, or that obstruct the views of others or similar items
- Balloons, confetti, glitter, baby powder, pom poms or other similar celebratory items
- Artificial noise makers (i.e., megaphones, cowbells, sirens, whistles, thunder sticks and other similar items)
- Drones and laser lights
- Firearms or other weapons
- Vapes, alcohol, tobacco, cannabis or illicit drugs
- The following are prohibited at MSHSL postseason events. These may be prohibited as determined by the venue during the regular season:
 - Backpacks and other bags
 - Outside food and drink
 - Cameras and tripods
 - Pets

Dress Code/Attire

- Spectators may not wear masks or costumes that limit the ability to identify individuals. Masking for medical purposes is allowed
- Spectators must wear clothing that covers the torso
- Clothing worn must not be vulgar, obscene, or inappropriate

Behaviors

- No one may interfere with the contest in any way
- Only members of the official squad may be on the contest surface
- The use of appropriate language is always expected. Profanity, negative chants, booing, trash talk, name calling, personal attacks or other acts of disrespect are unacceptable
- Respect the Flag and the National Anthem

*Venues may have additional requirements and prohibited items.