



Dear Coaches,

We hope your school year is off to a great start! We'd like to thank those of you who participated in last spring's NIETOC tournament in San Antonio and to welcome those of you who anticipate joining us May 11, 12, and 13, 2012 in San Francisco!

Congratulations to the 2011 Champions and Sweepstakes Winners!

DRAMATIC INTERP

Kristen Dupard, Ridgeland HS, MS

HUMOROUS INTERP

Michael Cohen, Independence-Truman HS, MO

ORIGINAL ORATORY

Terran Duhon Reagan HS, TX

DUO INTERP

Jaylen Eashmond & Aaron Watson, Hattiesburg HS, MS

DUET ACTING

James Carvallyo & Tony Black, James Logan HS, CA

EXPOSITORY

Rachel Liddell, Seattle Academy, WA

POETRY

Alexa Curran, Mesquite HS, AZ

PROSE

Jackson J Mattek, Salina High Central, KS

STORYTELLING

Becca McGehee, Denver East HS, CO

PERFECT PERFORMANCE AWARD:

Terran Duhon, Reagan HS, TX

TEAM SWEEPSTAKES AWARDS

ACT 1 - Ridgeland HS, MS coached by Stacy Howell

ACT 2 - Creekview HS, TX coached by Robert Shepard

ACT 3 - Grand Prairie HS, TX coached by Jordan Williams and Kesha Williams

JOSEPHINE DUKES AWARD

We are proud to announce we are accepting nominations for the 2012 Josephine Dukes Teacher of the Year Award, graciously sponsored by Western Kentucky University. The recipient must be nominated by a student. Details are posted on our website www.nietoc.com and can be found on the front page. Josephine Dukes spent a majority of her life giving, loving and serving her community. She believed "first you have to love the student, then and only then, can you teach them." We are seeking teachers who exemplify learning, love, community, optimism, generosity and respect for all. As a student, if you feel your teacher is deserving of this honor, please fill out and submit the forms on our website.

Qualification Changes

Over the summer, the NIETOC Executive Board made several changes to the qualification procedures for the 2012 Tournament.

1 -- ADDED NEW AUTOMATIC QUALIFIERS

Semifinalists or Finalists at the 2011 NIETOC, NFL or NCFL tournaments. (Contestants in NCFL Dramatic Performance would have to declare as either HI or DI, depending on the

piece that was performed.)

2 -- ADDED SINGLE BID RECIPIENTS*

Added the following single bids (in the event for which the student is applying):

- One bid earned by being a Quarterfinalist at the 2011 NIETOC.
- One bid earned by being a Finalist at their 2011 state tournament.
- One bid earned by being a Semifinalist at their 2012 state tournament (if more than 50 contestants).

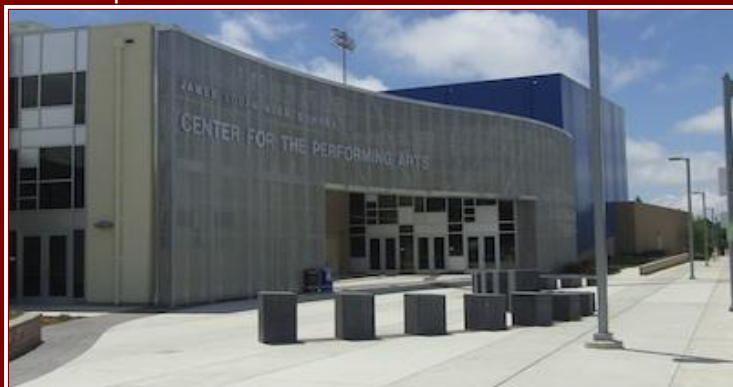
Students must still earn two bids per event to qualify.

3 -- CHANGED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR At-Large Qualifiers

Reduced the "4 tournament rankings under a total of 11" to "3 rankings under a total of 10."

Preview of James Logan in San Francisco

Sunny San Francisco awaits the attendees of next spring's 2012 NIETOC. We are excited to be taking our third national tournament to the campus of James Logan High School whose rich forensics tradition provides a perfect backdrop for top-notch competition and excellent camaraderie. Tommie Lindsey and his team are working diligently to bring you another exceptional "Experience!"



James Logan High School Center for
Performing Arts
Main event final rounds held here



Pier 39 in San Francisco
Food and Fun!

Ad Space Available!

The National Individual Events Tournament of Champions Executive Board cordially invites your school to purchase ad space in the tournament program for the 2012 NIETOC to be held at James Logan High School. Ad space pricing is as follows:

- _____ INSIDE FRONT COVER \$500
- _____ BACK COVER-COLOR \$500
- _____ INSIDE BACK COVER-B/W \$350
- _____ FULL PAGE-COLOR \$350
- _____ FULL PAGE-B/W \$250
- _____ 1/2 PAGE-COLOR \$200
- _____ 1/2 PAGE-B/W \$150

The dimensions for ad submission, which must be copy ready, are as follows:

*FULL PAGE -- 4 ½ X 7 ½ *HALF PAGE -- 4 ½ X 3 ½

Copy ready art work should be sent to Scott Waldrop -- scottwaldrop@yahoo.com -- no later than 4/1/12.

Payments should be made to NIETOC and sent to:
Matt Heimes, 5330 NW 6th Street, Lincoln, NE 68521

THANK YOU SAINT MARY'S HALL!

The NIETOC Executive Board wishes to extend its heartfelt gratitude to last year's tournament host Saint Mary's Hall in San Antonio, Texas. The school and staff provided an

excellent facility and top-notch hospitality for all of our attendees. If you would like to get your first (or a repeat) taste of their warmheartedness, please consider attending their invitational tournament on October 28 & 29, 2011. [Click here](#) for full contest information.

We'll have more exciting updates coming soon!

[Find NIETOC website here!](#)