**2022 STATE CONFERENCE INFORMATION -**

Dear Parents and Teachers,

Your student has earned the opportunity to attend the Nevada Thespian State Festival at Arbor View High School, 7500 Whispering Sands Dr, Las Vegas, NV 89131! The festival is a wonderful opportunity for your student to attend some amazing workshops and performances. Find information below and if you would like your child to be a part of this opportunity, please sign the permission slip and return with payment to your child’s theatre teacher.

NOTE: All participants MUST follow CCSD COVID protocol. Masks are not required but recommended.

**Nevada Thespians is a chapter of the International Thespian Society, a division of the Educational Theatre Association.** The International Thespian Society is a non-profit, tax-exempt honorary organization for high school theatre students. The society is committed to the advancement of educational theatre, and to this end publishes *Dramatics* Magazine, sponsors Thespian Festivals and theatre workshops, produces educational materials, and provides college scholarship opportunities for students.

**Who attends the Conference?** Over 900 of Nevada’s most dedicated theatre students in grades 6 to 12th grade.

**Why should you attend?** Students will have the opportunity to train with some of the Nation’s leading professionals in Acting, Directing, Playwriting, and Technical Theatre. Students who qualified at the regional level will audition for the State Conference Showcase and vie for scholarships. The conference also affords students the opportunity to attend auditions, watch professional guest artists at work, as well as view theatre productions and main stage presentations, produced by other Nevada school theatre programs.

**Virtual and In-Person Options** are available.

* Pre-recorded workshops will be available to all participants for 2 weeks after conference
* LIVE-streamed workshops will be available during the weekend of Conference
* Showcase auditions and the Thespys Showcase will be performed live and LIVE-streamed for all participants.
* Several mainstage shows will be performed live, streamed and/or pre-recorded
* The All State Opening Number will be performed live and LIVE-streamed for all participants
* Scholarship will be awarded, for both ITF and colleges

**Some of the student opportunities and benefits are:**

* Attend cool, exciting workshops
* Learn new acting techniques, technical theatre skills and more
* Be entertained by Nationally Recognized Performers.
* Earn a Scholarship to attend the International Thespian Festival this summer for being a top performer.
* Earn a scholarship to attend the International Thespian Festival for participating in workshops!
* Seniors, apply for a Technical or Acting Scholarship to college
* Seniors, apply for the $1000 Maureen Bernstein Memorial Education Scholarship for college
* Seniors, apply for the “Theatre for Life Scholarship” for college
* See amazing theatre from other schools in Nevada
* Run for a State Board position: Make decisions for the State of Nevada Thespians. Students must apply by the deadline date
* Compete to be named a Nevada Thespian Honor Troupe
* Meet College Reps and learn of other exciting programs

**How much does the conference cost?**

**In-Person REGISTRATION: Full Registration allows entry to the entire campus, includes all shows, events, workshops, and IEs as well as Friday lunch. All registered adults who are not currently in high school will need to be fully registered and complete a background check. (Background checks will be conducted every 2 years for attendees over the age of 18) REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 21, 2022**

* $60 Per student attending in person includes Friday lunch
* $50 for Virtual ONLY attendees
* **FREE One Troupe Director** with 3 hours of assigned work assisting at conference includes Friday lunch
* $50per **Chaperones/ Teachers other than the troupe director** includes Friday lunch
* **THERE ARE NO DAY BADGES ALLOWED IN 2022. ALL CHAPERONES AND PARENTS WHO WISH TO ATTEND ANY EVENT EXCEPT IN THE THEATRE MUST BE REGISTERED**
* FREE Thespys IE (from the top 10% from regional)
* **No one (including teachers) except the registered auditionees and judges are allowed in the showcase or scholarship audition rooms.**
* Absolutely no audio or video taping is allowed in any of the auditions, workshops or performances.
* $5 Tickets to the one-acts, guest artists and main stage shows will be sold when seating is available for these performances. Masks are recommended.
* FREE Tech Olympics, however participants must register. If you do not have a team of 6, we will combine your team with another team.

**OTHER CHARGES**

MEALS:

* Friday lunch is provided for all in person participants.
* Meals will be available Friday evening and Saturday lunch for purchase from food trucks on or near campus.
* Participants in Opening Number will be fed during rehearsals and Friday for lunch.
* Board members, Sto and Sto Candidates will be provided meals throughout the weekend.

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* Will be available first come first serve in the lobby for $8.00.

**ALL INDIVIDUALS MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN ANY INDIVIDUAL EVENT, ONE ACT, WORKSHOP, SHOW OR ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES AT STATE. Registered virtual attendees will receive a login and passcode to the virtual site after registration is complete and processed.**

The host school will provide food for purchase during the conference with proceeds going toward the host school as a fundraiser. There are also several fast food establishments in the area and food trucks will be available for Thursday/Friday dinner and Saturday lunch.

**Is there supervision at the conference?** YES! Each troupe director who has students attending is required to attend whenever their students are present or to provide a registered chaperone authorized by their administration to supervise their group. Nevada Thespians provides security in and around the conference location. **TRANSPORTATION IS NOT PROVIDED**

*This form is made available and may be changed by any teacher to meet their particular registration needs/deadlines.*

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE for Nevada Thespians: February 21, 2022**

**NEVADA THESPIAN STATE CONFERENCE 2022**

**PLEASE RETURN THIS TO YOUR TEACHER**

**Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ give permission for my**

(Parent Signature)

**son/daughter \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to attend (**Student’s name)

**The Nevada Thespian State Conference at Arbor View High School March 3-5th. I understand that I am responsible for providing transportation for my child.**

*(or I understand that my child’s school is providing bus transportation for my child.)*

**Registration Fee (see above for price)**

**I will attend Virtually:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ In-person\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**I would like to participate in Tech Olympics: Yes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**My total registration amount due is: $ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Dietary needs for Lunch Friday (In person)**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ No restrictions**

**–––––––– Gluten Free**

**–––––––– Vegetarian**