

Maine ADvocate
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State Meet Overview - Congratulations to Monmouth and Hall-Dale for representing the State of Maine in National competitions. I would like to thank all the coaches, Board members, and volunteers who made the day go smoothly. A special shout out to Mike Richards for keeping the scoring timely and accurate, fantastic job all. If you have any suggestions to enhance the competition, please feel free to let me know.

National Overview – Congratulations to Monmouth for their 8th place finish in Division III at the nationals in Anchorage, AK and Hall-Dale for their 7th place finish in the medium school on-line national competition. Although they did not win any medals, they had 19 top ten finishes with two fourth place finishes. Monmouth Varsity team scored a perfect 13 out of 13 in Super Quiz. For Monmouth, high scorer was Rebekah Bryant. The Maine team won five medals:

Music	Corey Tartarka	Bronze
Economics	Dylan Goff	Bronze
Essay	Madison Bumann	Bronze
	Chris Dumont	Silver
	Emmeline Willey	Silver

Outstanding competition and the Maine team truly represented us extremely well. I received numerous compliments on the team's comportment.

2016-2017 Curriculum - You all received a list of the **2016-2017** curriculum whose theme is "World War II". This can also be found on the USAD web site. (Link exists on the MEAD web site.)

Maine Web Site -The State Web site (www.mainead.org) is being updated. The results of the State and National Championship are there and the links have been updated and are ready for next year's competition. Competition dates, and changed registration forms are on line as we speak. Again, the state date is March 4th. Let me know if you see a link that is not updated.

2016-2017 Registration -The registration process is on the web site and will remain the same as this past year. There is a returning school registration form due in November. The nine team members and three extra students not on the competition team but taking the essays need release forms, permission slips, and code of conduct forms as well as GPAs/transcripts. Any other extras over the twelve require only the release, permission and code of conduct forms. These forms are due in December. Please look at the forms and let me know if you have any questions. Any forms you wish to email will save some paper and ensure quick returns.

11/04/16	School Registration (\$225.00)
12/16/16	Team Rosters/Materials are Due to State Director (\$25.00 for extras over nine)
12/16/16	T-shirt orders are due at \$9.00 each (except for coaches and volunteers)
01/24/17	Essay – GPA's must be verified to take the essay portion of the competition

Enjoy the rest of the school year. You should have received next year's outline from me. Ordering materials in the spring allows students to get started over the summer. The 2016 nationals will be April 22nd to April 24th in **Madison, Wisconsin**. **PLEASE NOTE THAT NEXT YEAR'S NATIONALS ARE DURING OUR SPRING BREAK.**

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