

TO: All New Mexico Theatre Educators

FROM: New Mexico Thespian Board



Greetings all! We hope you are well and safe and having a great time this New Year! Registration will be through an online platform that we are working hard to bring online. As soon as we get it going, we will send you the link. Here is your Festival information for now:

- Costs:
 - o School Registration Fee: \$65
 - o Student Participation Fee: \$35 per student
 - o Thespys Fee: \$15- Each student may only participate in one Thespy
 - o One Act Flat Fee: \$350 per school
- Grades:
 - o We believe that NMAA eligibility will come from last semester's grades or 1st quarter.
- Food:
 - o Food delivery is not allowed on campus. I hope that the cafeteria will be open for us. You will need to go out for meals not purchased in their cafeteria. I am making sure my hotel has breakfast so that will address the first meal.
- The NMAA One Act Competition and Thespian Festival will happen this semester.
 - o Festival will be in person November 9-12, 2022 at San Juan College in Farmington, NM
 - o One act plays will be in person
 - o Zoom will not be an option this year
 - o Thespys/Individual Events will also be in person this year.
 - o We will offer workshops in person this year.
 - o We will offer college auditions this year.
 - o We will offer the Distinguished Senior Scholarship Award this year.
 - o The thirty-five minute time allotment for one acts will be in place.
 - o New Mexico state theatre students are welcome to participate in Thespys with the understanding that they are not eligible to compete at the International Festival if they are not official Thespians before they register for the International Festival.
- Students must get Superior ratings to qualify for Nationals.
- For those of you who love the competition aspect, all categories involved with the one act will still be in place. The stage manager category will again count toward the final awards.
- Mask and Covid safety practices will follow the state guidelines as well as any rules in place for San Juan College and the NMAA.
- I am attaching the NMAA rules and response sheets for the one acts.
- I will also attach Thespy info from last year but you can go to <https://thespys.secure-platform.com/a/page/program-guide> for current information. We do not anticipate many changes from EDTA.
- Feel free to email your questions to gael.natal@rrps.net or msouers@fms.k12.nm.us.
- We cannot wait to see you in person again soon!

Look forward to talking to you soon!

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