

# CELEBRATION IDEAS

## NATIONAL SPEECH AND DEBATE EDUCATION DAY — MARCH 2, 2018

There are many ways your team can celebrate National Speech and Debate Education Day. How you participate on the day is totally up to you. You decide the level of participation. Below are some ideas for your team to make this day extra special at your school and in your community.



*Get a local resolution passed in your community declaring March 2, 2018, National Speech and Debate Education Day!*



**WORK WITH** your local School Board or City Council. *(FYI – the NSDA is working at the state and national level to get resolutions passed)*



**SHARE STORIES** of how speech and debate has impacted your life as well as your team on social media with #SpeechandDebateDay. Encourage others to post, too.



**WRITE AN ARTICLE** about the benefits of speech and debate for your local newspaper and/or school publication.



**MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT** about National Speech and Debate Education Day during your school's morning announcements.



Hold an **ASSEMBLY, OPEN HOUSE, OR SHOWCASE** featuring your team and the benefits of speech and debate activities.



Send your **LOCAL MEDIA** a press release with information on how you are celebrating. Talk with local media to have you or your team interviewed or featured.



Use the day to **FUNDBRAISE** for your team!



**WRITE A LETTER** to your principal or administrator thanking them for supporting speech and debate.



Post National Speech and Debate Education Day **FLYERS AND POSTERS** around your school.



Wear *Words Matter* **MERCHANDISE** from the Speech & Debate Store at [store.speechanddebate.org](http://store.speechanddebate.org).



Re-tweet, like, and share items posted on **SOCIAL MEDIA** from the National Speech & Debate Association.

There are countless ways you can celebrate this special day. To make it easy for you and your team, we have developed several pieces included in this toolkit to help you with the above items. In addition, we have a comprehensive set of tools for your team to promote and celebrate the day. This includes ideas, resources, resolution templates, press releases, fundraising tips, letters, downloads, and more found at [www.SpeechandDebateDay.org](http://www.SpeechandDebateDay.org).