

Competitor Resource Assessment

This assessment helps coaches evaluate potential challenges students may have competing in the online National Tournament and ways the Tate fund may be able to help.

The William Woods Tate, Jr., Memorial Fund was designed to help high school students attend the National Speech & Debate Tournament. In 2021, the Tate Fund provides financial assistance to teams and students to create a more equitable experience.

The Tate Fund will provide grants ranging from \$50 -\$500. These funds are intended to purchase technology, pay for internet access, rent appropriate competition space, or acquire other resources that will improve the competitive experience for students.

Please feel free to use the following questions verbatim to assess the potential online participation resource needs of your qualifiers.

QUESTIONS:

- 1. On a scale of 1-10, 10 being very comfortable or confident, how comfortable are you with the **internet** you will be using to compete in a live, synchronous manner?
 - Please explain, so the best solution can be found.
- 2. On a scale of 1-10, 10 being very comfortable or confident, how comfortable are you in the **technology** you plan to use to create a recording and/or compete online (e.g. computer/tablet, webcam, mic, headset, etc.)?
 - Please explain, so the best solution can be found.
- 3. On a scale of 1-10, 10 being very comfortable, how comfortable are you with the suitability of the **physical space** (room) you expect to be using for the National Tournament competition?
 - Please explain, so the best solution can be found.

If your students' responses indicate they would benefit from the resources that The Tate Fund supports, please visit: www.speechanddebate.org/tate-fund

