

## **New Protocol & An Additional Category for STANJ Competition 2019**

### **New Spectator Rules:**

In response to adjudicators' feedback, the following rules will be implemented this year in an effort to create a more professional environment for competing students.

Each school entered in the competition may bring up to 1 adult chaperone per 10 students. The only adult spectators allowed at the competition will be those who are pre-registered chaperones. All adults need to be listed on the roster page of the registration packet. They will receive badges at the registration table with their names and school numbers to be worn throughout the day of the competition. No other adults will be allowed to watch the competition.

Also, this year all students will receive name badges with their names and school numbers listed on them. If there are any issues throughout the competition with students, their name badges will be revoked and they will be disqualified from competing any further, and/or receiving any awards.

As a reminder, no students should be hanging out in the hallways around competition rooms. The noise continues to be an issue in the hallways. It will be closely monitored this year and students may be disqualified if they are not compliant. There are multiple hang out areas where students may socialize in larger groups in both Life Hall (Memorial Auditorium) and University Hall (on the first floor). Students should ONLY be in the hallways outside of the doors if they are waiting to enter a room because their time slots for competing are approaching.

Hopefully these changes will help create a more positive and helpful environment for those students who are seriously making an attempt to create a character, relay a story line, and convey professionalism in an effort to further their acting craft.

**Additional Category:**

**VSA MONOLOGUE CATEGORY**

**This Very Special Arts Governor's Award Category is designed to celebrate our special needs students in NJ**

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

**Candidate's requirements:**

1. New Jersey residents.
2. A student with special needs (mainstreamed, inclusion, self-contained classes or activities), attending a full-time program in New Jersey.
3. Chronological ages between 14 through 21 years. Not to exceed twelfth grade level.
4. Students must be receiving Special Education services from your district AND have an IEP.
5. If a student requires a 1 to 1 Aid, the Aid is Highly Encouraged to attend and will NOT count as part of your school's chaperone total.

VSA Monologue: Schools may enter a maximum of 3 monologues in this category. Each contestant will present a cutting from any published play; it need not be a complete scene, but should function as a complete unit. The actor will be provided with an empty space and a single chair. The selection, with introduction, may not exceed THREE minutes. No prompters may be used. The monologue may be either comedic, dramatic, or serio-comic.