**TFA REGIONAL QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT – Pilot Program, 2014**

* Region Rep is Tournament Director; can be held in any building in their region
* Must be held by Monday, February 17, 2013-President’s Day (Feb 19 last day to make changes to IQT reports & enter on JOT; all payments for TFA State must be postmarked by Feb 26)
* Students may not compete at the Regional tournament if already qualified for State in any event
* Schools/students may ONLY attend the Regional tournament for their designated region
* Students must have at least 4 qual points in an event to enter
* Students can enter only 1 event at the Regional Tournament, and it must be an event in which that student has 4 qual points
* All TFA rules for events will be followed
* Top 3 students in each event will qualify to TFA State
* There is no minimum number needed in an event. (If there are only 3 entries at the Regional tournament, then those 3 automatically qualify.) No minimum number of schools is necessary to host a Regional tournament.
* Debate & IEs: 4 rounds—First through third places will be determined by record
* Additional items:
	+ Entry fee of $10 per individual event/$20 fee per team event—payable to TFA—invoice will be sent from TFA Treasurer OR will be added to your TFA State invoice—Bring no money to the Regional tournament
	+ TFA allocates up to $1000 to each region for payment of judges or any other hosting costs
	+ No trophies will be awarded, can give out certificates
	+ Use *Joy of Tournaments* to register and for Tab
	+ Coaches will be required to judge rounds OR provide qualified judges based on number of entries per event. Schools with debate entries MUST provide debate judges.
	+ Other judges come from non-participating coaches or other highly qualified volunteers
	+ Qualifiers from the Regional Tournament **do** **NOT** count toward sweepstakes at State.

**SUGGESTED SCHEDULE:**

**IEs**

9:00am—round 1

11:00am—round 2

1:30pm—round 3

3:30pm—round 4

**DEBATE**

9:00am—round 1

11:00am—round 2

1:30pm—round 3

3:30pm—round 4

**CONGRESS**

9am - 12pm—Session 1

1pm - 4pm—Session 2