

**NSCTA SPEECH / DEBATE / THEATRE  
MEL SHOEMAKER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Mel Shoemaker taught and directed the North Loup Speech Teams and the Play Production Team for many years and then moved to Kearney High to be the Theatre and Play Production Director. These teams won many awards, bringing honor not only to the individual students, but to the schools where he directed. This scholarship will be presented to honor Mel Shoemaker's lifelong dedication to education, to students, and to the arts of Speech, Theatre, Debate and English.

Application for the Mel Shoemaker Speech / Debate / Theatre Scholarship will be accepted each year from NSCTA High School Seniors who will be continuing with education at any college or university. Preference in award will be given to the study of Speech, Theatre, Debate, English, or the education field.

Each year a maximum of two \$500.00 Scholarships will be awarded to deserving graduating seniors who have participated in Speech, Debate, and/or Theatre in Nebraska for all 4 years of their secondary education. The scholarship award will be based on academic success, Speech, Debate, and/or Theatre success, and any other future plan or success that would enhance the expenditure of these funds for the development of Speech, Debate, and/or Theatre in Nebraska. Alternates will be recognized.

Students should apply for the scholarship by March 15th of each year. An unbiased selection committee will be chosen by the NSCTA Board and shall not include any coach who has a student in competition for the scholarship. The Mel Shoemaker Speech / Debate / Theatre Scholarship will be awarded upon the decision of the committee and the funds distributed upon proof of second semester enrollment at the recipient's college of choice.

Student Name:	GPA:	Class Rank: /
Parent/Guardian Name(s):		
Parent/Guardian Home Phone:	Alt. Contact number:	
Mailing Address:		
School:	School Phone:	
Coach:	Coach Phone:	
School Mailing Address:		
Principal:		

### Additional Items to complete the application

1. Attach a resume that includes appropriate information concerning your success in Speech, Debate, and/or Theatre and academics. Highlight any other personal accomplishments that may enhance your application.
2. Please attach an official academic transcript.
3. Please list and include letters of reference from 3 individuals who will affirm your successes in Speech, Debate, or Theatre, academics and affirm your good character. Please include all requested information for each reference.

References:

Name:	Phone number:
Email Address:	Relationship:
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**Applications are due March 15th and will be awarded by May 1st.**

Please send your scholarship application to:

Attn: Rachel Haider

Crete High School

1750 Iris Ave

Crete, NE 68333

Or by email: [rachel.haider@criteschools.org](mailto:rachel.haider@criteschools.org)