Covid Safety Protocols
Masks

While we cannot force a mask mandate on our participants, we highly recommend and encourage all competitors, coaches, and judges to wear masks during the tournament EXCEPT when they are actively performing or eating.

The Madison Central Speech and Debate Team and its volunteers WILL be wearing masks regardless of vaccination status.
Social Distancing

We will mark seats in competition rooms to best allow for social distancing of competitors, judges, and observers.

We will limit room capacity to allow for safe social distancing.

We ask all individuals on campus for the tournament to practice social distancing when navigating the hallways and shared social spaces. We know that it is very exciting to see friends face-to-face once again, but please remember to maintain social distancing as you interact.

Tables will be assigned for schools in the cafeteria to allow for a "pod system". Students should sit at their assigned tables when eating or drinking and should try to stay in their designated areas.

Sanitation supplies will be provided at each table to help with sanitization throughout the tournament.
Sanitation

Student volunteers will wipe down surface areas in competition rooms after every round before the next round begins.

Hand sanitizer will be provided around the school.
Food Distribution

Food will be sold at concessions and provided in the judges' lounge.
Provided food will be individually packaged, such as box lunches, pre-packaged snacks, etc.
We will not be distributing any buffet-style items to limit possible spread.
Adult volunteers and students working in hospitality and concessions will be gloved and masked.
Judges will be expected to sit in one spot during the tournament.

Judges may choose where to sit, but seats will be marked to designate where judges may and may not sit.

A seating chart will be given to judges to fill out where they are sitting and who they are sitting with each day and be updated throughout the day.
Contact tracing will be done through school or shared space. Students sitting with their own school will mitigate the need to contact trace outside of the infected’s school.

Those who shared a performance room with the infected will be contacted.

Those who work tab/ballot or any other job where they are in close vicinity with others will be contact traced together.
All contact tracing will be done by the MHSAA State Coordinator in a timely manner once a Covid case is detected.

It is the responsibility of the coaches attending tournaments to inform the coordinator if they have a positive case on their team, amongst their judges, or on their coach staff.