



PAY IT FORWARD FUND

WHAT IS THE PAY IT FORWARD FUND?

To meet teams where they need it most, the **Pay It Forward Fund** was founded in 2022, with inaugural donations from Joe and Pam Wycoff and the alumni of Apple Valley High School, MN, who believe speech and debate is one of the most influential experiences a student can have.

A resounding theme from under resourced speech and debate teams is the need for, **“opportunities, mentors, and support.”**

HOW CAN MY TEAM BENEFIT?

The NSDA offers Pay It Forward grants to teams that have a lack of resources or funding, have experienced general hardships, or are a brand new program.

Pay It Forward grants provide:

- ★ A one year NSDA School Membership
- ★ An NSDA Resource Package
- ★ 10 free student memberships

In our district we have 98% of students qualify for free or reduced lunch and without this grant, we would not have been able to debate this year.”

— COACH, NEW JERSEY

The school board does not provide any funding so we are entirely self-funded. This support will enable us to access resources.”

— COACH, INDIANA

I am an unpaid coach, and fund most of our tournament fees and research prep out of pocket. Any assistance would be helpful.”

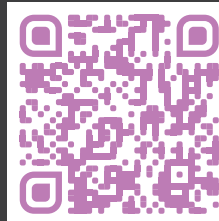
— COACH, NORTH CAROLINA



APPLY NOW!

Schools may apply at any time throughout the year at:

[www.speechanddebate.org/
membership-support-request](http://www.speechanddebate.org/membership-support-request)



MORE SUPPORT

The NSDA offers additional program grants:

[www.speechanddebate.org/
program-grants](http://www.speechanddebate.org/program-grants)