



Professional Clothing Drive

OUTFIT RICHMOND-AREA SPEECH & DEBATE STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS!

ACCESS TO PROFESSIONAL ATTIRE IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF BUILDING CONFIDENCE IN OUR SPEECH AND DEBATE STUDENTS. As part of The Richmond Forum's efforts to make speech and debate competition an equitable opportunity for all students, we launched our pilot Professional Clothing Drive during the 2022-2023 tournament season. Through the efforts of our volunteers and donors, we were able to provide nearly 130 articles of clothing to three of our speech and debate teams with the highest need in our region. This year, we'd like to help even more students feel good by looking great when they go to compete.



WE NEED YOUR HELP! YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO OUR PROFESSIONAL CLOTHING DRIVE IN ONE OF THREE WAYS:

SPONSOR A COMPETITOR

Sign up to directly support a student competitor with the purchase or donation of professional clothing items. If you are interested in sponsoring a competitor directly, please [visit this link](#) to submit a form and we'll provide you with the specific clothing needs of one of our competitors.

DONATION DROP OFF

Sign up to drop off gently used professional clothing items on one of two designated days during our local scrimmages on Thursday, October 19 and Thursday, November 2. If you'd like to drop off your donation on either date, please [submit this form](#) with your contact info and items you wish to donate. We'll contact you with further details.

MAKE A MONETARY DONATION

Help to offset the cost of clothing by donating to the Richmond Forum Speech & Debate Initiative to earmark for professional clothing. If you'd like to make a monetary donation, you may do so [using this link](#).

ITEMS OF GREATEST NEED IN ALL YOUNG ADULT AND ADULT SIZES INCLUDE:

Full suits

Suit jackets

Slacks & khaki pants

Skirts

Business-style dresses

Button-down shirts

Blouses

Ties & belts

Please note: All used clothing must be dry cleaned prior to being donated. We kindly request that clothing be purchased within the last 10 years.