



## **National Security Forum of Nevada and the Washoe County School District Youth Security Forum 25-28 May 2021 (Via Zoom)**

*The National Security Forum of Nevada, in partnership with the Washoe County School District, is hosting a virtual forum for students to engage national security thought leaders in discussions about timely topics that are shaping the world we live in now and the future they will have a chance to lead.*

Format: Each national security thought leader will record a 10 min introduction to the topic in advance. Students should watch it before the session. Thought leaders will then engage students in a discussion of the topic with ample time for questions on both the topic and their career paths in national security.

### Discussion Topics:

- 1. *Domestic extremism in the post Jan 6th world?***
  - Thought Leader – Dr. Liz Yates (Senior Researcher for Domestic Radicalization, START Center, University of Maryland, College Park, MD)
- 2. *Climate security - conflict and migration***
  - Thought Leader – Dr. Tegan Blaine (Senior Advisor for Environment and Conflict, U.S. Institute of Peace, based in Geneva, Switzerland)
- 3. *4th Branch of government - the media, news deserts, and disinformation***
  - Thought Leader – Mr. Jon Ralston (Founder & Editor, The Nevada Independent, Las Vegas, NV)
- 4. *Health security - COVID, India, and the next pandemic***
  - Thought Leader – Dr. James Wilson (Founder & CEO, M2 Medical Intelligence, Reno, NV)
- 5. *Election security – what happens when disinformation runs for office***
  - Thought Leader – Mr. Michael Matthews (Protective Security Advisor for Nevada, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection Agency, Carson City, NV)
- 6. *Hacks, more hacks, and counterhacks – who wins a cyber war?***
  - Thought Leader – Mr. Matthew Devost (CEO & Co-Founder of OODA, LLC, McClean, VA)
- 7. *When governments fail - Myanmar's downward spiral***
  - Thought Leader – Dr. Antonia Neubauer (Founder, Myths & Mountains and READ Global, Incline Village, NV)
- 8. *Peacebuilding in the time of "forever wars"***
  - Thought Leader – Ms. Karen Decker (Visiting Fellow, U.S. Institute of Peace, former Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy, Kabul, Washington, DC)
- 9. *When bad guys get nukes – the troublesome cases of Iran and North Korea***
  - Thought Leader – Mr. James McDonnell, MSTs, LLC, former Assistant Secretary of Department of Homeland Security for Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction, based in Las Vegas, NV)



Accessing the Youth Security Forum: Introduction videos and speaker bios will be posted on NSF website at: [NSF Youth Security Forum](#) starting Tue 18 May. Zoom links for each of the sessions will be shared by WCSD staff and faculty before the event.

Schedule (all times are in Pacific Time):

<b>Session Time</b>	<b>Tue 25 May</b>	<b>Wed 26 May</b>	<b>Thu 27 May</b>
8:00 – 8:50		<b>Topic 2:</b> Climate Security – migration and conflict	
9:00 – 9:50	<b>Topic 6:</b> Cyber hacks and counterhacks	<b>Topic 3:</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> branch of government	<b>Topic 8:</b> Peacebuilding post forever wars
10:00 – 10:50	<b>Topic 7:</b> Myanmar - When governments fail	<b>Topic 5:</b> Election security and disinformation	<b>Topic 7:</b> Myanmar - When governments fail
1:00 – 1:50	<b>Topic 1:</b> Domestic extremism post Jan 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Topic 9:</b> When bad guys get nukes	<b>Topic 4:</b> Health security – post COVID



## Zoom Links for Live Sessions

### **Tuesday 25 May**

9:00 – 9:50 **Topic 6: Hacks, more hacks, and counterhacks – who wins a cyber war?**

<https://zoom.us/j/95362234892?pwd=NIE2MlVBR3diYlNVbnE1d2lSYkdFZz09>

Passcode: 715490

10:00-10:50 **Topic 7: When governments fail – Myanmar’s downward spiral**

<https://zoom.us/j/95668154891?pwd=ZEF4SkZVRk96TFJRQVdXSUVVYb3RyZz09>

Passcode: 231378

1:00 – 1:50 **Topic 1: Domestic Extremism in the post Jan 6<sup>th</sup> world**

<https://zoom.us/j/94905406168?pwd=RWJyUXVxL0JqR09XQ3l3dCtOMEpnQT09>

Passcode: 245785

### **Wednesday 26 May**

8:00 – 8:50 **Topic 2: Climate security – conflict and migration**

<https://zoom.us/j/92095369657?pwd=eTdHV25rdkp1TUh3OHBS21VMktNQT09>

Passcode: 354992

9:00 – 9:50 **Topic 3: 4<sup>th</sup> branch of government – the media, news deserts, and disinformation**

<https://zoom.us/j/96893237182?pwd=bGk1cFk1NmFXbHNOV25XYy9CVlVQdz09>

Passcode: 327136

10:00 – 10:50 **Topic 5: Election security – what happens when disinformation runs for office**

<https://zoom.us/j/98064306281?pwd=eFJoQ05uSHhqUDVtZkZxNE1aSDJadz09>

Passcode: 172951

1:00 – 1:50 **Topic 9: When bad guys get nukes – the troublesome cases of Iran, North Korea**

<https://zoom.us/j/97742901309?pwd=aGJKVmszcndUOGJZVE9jNmG0cUxQZz09>

Passcode: 266893

### **Thursday 27 May**

9:00 – 9:50 **Topic 8: Peacebuilding in the time of “forever wars”**

<https://zoom.us/j/91379295971?pwd=dXphUmtBaytuUHZndnNXK0FGaTZMQT09>

Passcode: 251686

10:00 -10:50 **Topic 7: When governments fail – Myanmar’s downward spiral**

<https://zoom.us/j/92963006975?pwd=VXBXbjBWTWRma0tUOXJTREpZOGeyUT09>

Passcode: 123672

1:00 – 1:50 **Topic 4: Health security – COVID, India and the next pandemic**

<https://zoom.us/j/94413882994?pwd=VUIXdFRcbmN6Qk9YTjFDS0V3cWNDUT09>

Passcode: 340630