



## 2016 The Tradition @ Cypress Bay

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Cypress DeBAYte Team, we cordially invite you to attend the fourth annual Crestian Tradition to be held at our humble abode in beautiful Weston, FL on **Saturday and Sunday October 8 and 9** (with Round Robins in LD, PF, Congress, and Extemp on Friday, October 7). The Cypress DeBAYte Team promises to continue our tradition of top-notch competition, exceptional judging, and friendly hospitality! We will also recognize the top novice in each event and offer impromptu speaking, POI, and informative. We have retained **TOC Bids** in PF (Quarterfinals), LD (Finals) and Congress (Finals). And we have a **new** bid in Policy (Finals). Bottom-line: There's not a better place to be in October!

**Deadlines/Entries:** All entries are due by **Friday, September 30th at 5:00pm**, but we are expecting registration to fill-up much sooner so register ASAP! Fees will be frozen at that time. Any drops after that date will be assessed a \$25 drop fee. After October 3<sup>rd</sup> you will also forfeit the entry fee. If you drop any events or entries the day of, or do not report a drop, you will be charged the entry fee plus an additional \$50. A school may enter 5 entries in PF and LD, 10 entries in Congress and all IEs, and unlimited entries in Policy. If you have more students you would like to enter, please do so and they will be moved off of the waitlist depending on space. We will also be hosting the Broward County Public Schools Justice Debates on Saturday.

**Fees:** Fees are as follows:

\$100 per Round Robin entry.

\$100 Policy & PF Debate team

\$75 LD Entry

\$50 Congressional Debate Entry

\$35 per individual event entry (\$70 for Duo Interp)

\$10 Novice Congress (Saturday only)

**Judging Requirement:**

1 judge for every 2 Policy debate teams or fraction

thereof 1 judge for every 2 PF/LD entries or fraction

thereof 1 judge for every 6 IE/Congress entries or fraction thereof

We strongly recommend you provide your own qualified judges for each event. We have a very small, limited amount of judges we are able to hire. For every uncovered judge you will be charged \$150.

**Prefs/Strikes:** Prefs will be available in policy. Strikes will be available for PF and LD. Prefs/Strikes will be released October 3<sup>rd</sup> via tabroom and are due Friday October 7<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.

**Meals:** We will provide exceptional lunch and dinner (no pizza, we promise!) for the students on Saturday. Boxed lunches will be available for \$7 on Sunday (please pre-order on the correct tab above), and breakfast items (along with many other goodies) will be available for purchase throughout the tournament at our concession stand. Judge meals are included with the cost of entrees (breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday and breakfast and lunch on Sunday). There WILL be a vegetarian option for students and judges on both days.

**Lodging:** The Courtyard Marriot in Weston (2000 N Commerce Pkwy, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33326) has a room block under TOC Tradition Tournament. Rooms are \$109/night. Please make reservations by calling 1-888-236-2427 and request a reservation under the TOC Tradition Tournament room block. Your specific rate code is TTT. The block will close September 28<sup>th</sup> but may fill out before then.

**Resolutions/Topic Areas:** We will be using the **September/October** topic in PF and LD. Congress legislation and extemp topic areas will be posted no later than September 21st. Congress Chambers will be posted shortly after that. **Congress legislation** is due by Friday, September 16 at 5:00pm. Please email legislation to TraditionCongress16@gmail.com with the subject as "Legislation."

**Schedule:** We will run SIX rounds in debate and FIVE rounds in IEs. Congress will have THREE preliminary sessions, Semis, and Finals.

**Registration** will be conducted by Internet only, and we encourage you to browse the tabs above to find any additional information regarding our tournament. A detailed schedule is forthcoming but know on Saturday and Sunday, events will begin at 8am. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. For more information, feel free to like our Facebook page. **We look forward to seeing you in sunny Florida in October!**

Best Always,

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