# UMN Invitation: 2016

September 10, 2016

The University of Minnesota Debate Team invites you and your squad to our annual high school debate tournament on Friday, October 7 and Saturday, October 8, 2016. We will host a two-day varsity competition in CX debate and back-to-back **one-day** competitions for rookie, novice and JV CX debate on both Friday and Saturday. The Rosemount Round Robin will be held concurrently on the West Bank.

#### Judges

Teams should provide one judge for every two teams. If schools are unable to cover their judging commitment, there may be a limited number of judges for hire through the tournament at a rate of $100 per day, per judge. If judges are not available, we will be forced to limit a team’s entry to that which can be covered by their judges. We would much rather have your judges than your money. Judges covering a full commitment must be available for all preliminary rounds and elimination rounds one round beyond your school’s elimination from the tournament—someone who must arrive late or leave early can only be \*at best\* a half-time judge.

#### Awards

We will provide an appropriate number of speaker awards in each division, based on division size, as well as awards for all elimination round participants and the top teams in each division in the one-day tourneys.

#### Registration

Please register on the Tabroom. Space is limited, and will be allotted on a first-come, first-served basis. Entries MUST be received by 1pm on Wednesday, October 5, 2016. Judges MUST be finalized by this time—our concessions contracts lock-in at this time.

#### Check-In

When your bus departs to campus on Friday and Saturday, please call or text to indicate any entry changes (including “no changes”) – 651.307.6980.

#### Event Location

Events will be split between the two banks.

JV / Varsity / RRR: Friday & Saturday—West Bank (Blegen tab). The best dropoff location is the traffic circle at the Humphrey Center / Law School.

Rookie / Novice: Friday—East Bank, Mall Area (Murphy tab). Drop your students off on Union Street outside of Keller Hall (200 Union St. SE, 55455). Have your students proceed to Murphy Hall, room 130. We will do the opening assembly there, and concessions will also be available in this room after round 2.

Rookie / Novice: Saturday—East Bank, Knoll Area (Folwell tab). Drop your students off at Folwell Hall (9 Pleasant St. SE, 55455), either on Pleasant Avenue or University & 15th.

Each bank will have a separate tabroom, judge's lounge, and concession options. The judging pool will be also be split.

A searchable campus map can be found here: https://campusmaps.umn.edu/

#### Parking

Parking rules, rates, and locations can be found at: http://www1.umn.edu/pts/park/visitorparking.html

#### Fees

We have developed a fee structure that reflects the cost of running the tournament. We have operated at a (small) loss for 8 of the past 9 years, and we anticipate that we will do so again this year.

$30/ Varsity Policy entry

$15/ Novice & JV Policy entry (each day)

Please make checks payable to:

University of Minnesota Debate Team

c/o David Cram Helwich,

225 Ford Hall,

University of Minnesota

Minneapolis, MN 55455

#### Friday, October 7, 2016

2-3p Registration, TBA

3:15p Round the First

VCX Rnd 1, RCX-Fri, NCX-Fr & JVCX-Fr Rnd 1

5:15p Round the Second

VCX Rnd 2, RCX-Fri, NCX-Fr & JVCX-Fr Rnd 2

6:45-7:15p Dinner

7:30p Round the Third

VCX Rnd 3, RCX-Fri, NCX-Fr & JFCX-Fr Rnd 3

9:30p NCX & JVCX Friday Tourney Awards,

10p Bus pick-up

#### Saturday, October 8, 2016

7-7:30a Registration, TBA

8a Round the Fourth

VCX Rnd 4, Rnd 1 for RCX-Sa, NCX-Sa, JVCX-Sa

10a Round the Fifth

VCX Rnd 5, Rnd 2 for RCX-Sa, NCX-Sa, JVCX-Sa

11:30a-12p Lunch

12p Round the Sixth

VCX Qtrs, Rnd 3 for RCX-Sa, NCX-Sa, JVCX-Sa

2p Round the Seventh

VCX Sems, Rnd 4 RCX-Sa, NCX-Sa, JVCX-Sa

4:30p Awards

5p Round the Eighth

VCX, Finals

We look forward to hosting you and your students. If you have any questions, please contact David Cram Helwich at cramhelwich <<at>> gmail <<dot>> com or 651.307.6980.