

Deering High School 370 Stevens Ave Portland, ME 04103

The Deering High School Debate Team is pleased to invite you to a Debate Tournament - LD, PF, and Congressional Debate on November 19th, 2016.

Registrations: www.tabroom.com REGISTRATION DUE DATE: Wednesday, November 16th at 8pm. Any questions, please contact Brian Dodge (tournament director) by email, text, or phone:

dodgeb@portlandschools.org

Cell phone: 207-607-2524 (day of tournament and beforehand)

REGISTRATION:

Registration must be made at www.tabroom.com by **8:00pm** on **Wednesday November 16th**. **Drops will be accepted until Friday November 18th at 8:00pm**. Invoices will be prepared at that time.

No late adds will be accepted.

Saturday drops *at registration* will be assessed an additional charge of \$10.00 per student. If you have a drop on Saturday morning, please call or text Brian while en route to the tournament. It will help keep the tournament on schedule and you will avoid the additional \$10 fee.

Please note judge conflicts, restrictions, experience, and phonetic pronunciation in Tabroom and email and complicated situations to Brian.

REGISTRATION FEES: Entry fees are \$7.00 per entry for Individual events (New schools \$3.50); Teams (PF) are two entries (\$14); Entry fees will be capped at \$140 per event;; \$210 per school entering in multiple events.

JUDGE REQUIREMENTS:

LD: one judge for every 2 LD entries

PF: one judge for every 2 teams

Congressional Debate: one judge for every 5 entries.

Fractional entries round-up (i.e., three LD entries = 2 judges).

Fees for purchasing judges will be **\$60 per judge**. **PLEASE have all judges finalized by 8:00 pm Friday, January 8th**. There will be a limited number of extra judges available and you must make your request by Wednesday by requesting a Hired Judge in Tabroom. Please help the meet run smoothly and fairly by supplying your required judges and by providing them with training in the category to which they are committed.

Judges are expected to be available for ALL rounds of competition. Half day judging is encouraged, but you must provide two half judges to equal one judge (one each, am and pm)

TIMERS: Please try to have judges bring some sort of timer/stopwatch. There are very few timers available for those who need them.

FOOD: Breakfast items, lunch, and snacks will be on sale for students in the cafeteria. Students should not leave the school. Complimentary breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snacks will be provided for coaches and judges.

EVENTS:

LD: 3 levels, if numbers allow
PF: 2 levels, if numbers allow
CD: Senate/House as needed

In Debate, Novice categories are for students in their first year of High School Forensics. JV LD is for second year debaters and first year debaters who have enjoyed success. Varsity categories are for debaters with more than a year of experience or for students who wish to move up and try a high level of competition. Coaches retain discretion in placement due to unique circumstances. Please feel free to contact the tournament director for help in placement of students if needed.

DEBATE TOPICS:

LD November/December resolution:

Resolved: The United States ought to limit qualified immunity of police officers.

PF November resolution:

Resolved: On balance, the benefit of the Internet of Things outweigh the harms of decreased personal privacy.

AWARDS:

Sweeps for Debate (inclusive of PF, LD, and congress) will go to the first three places. Individual awards for 1st - 3rd in each category.

SCHEDULE:

8:00-8:30 Registration
8:45 Judges meeting in Judges' Lounge & Student meeting in Cafeteria
Rounds will begin at 9:00
Awards at 4:00 (sooner if possible)

Student Lounge:

Cafeteria - Students are asked to remain in the cafeteria when not in rounds.

Judges Lounge: Library - You will be directed up the stairs from the registration table by the front door.

TAB Room: Room 217

Awards: Will be held in the cafeteria.