D3 Qualifier and Mid America Championship Tournaments

Welcome to the 2017 NDT District 3 qualifying tournament and to Mid America Championship (MAC) The tournaments will be hosted by the University of Central Oklahoma

There will be one qualifying division for the District III Tournament and two divisions (open and novice) for the MAC.

Fees

Fees will be \$40/person in attendance.

Fees will cover Dinner Friday, Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Saturday, and Breakfast & Lunch Sunday.

Cash or checks are accepted. Please make checks out to:

UMKC Debate

Hotel

Fairfield Marriott Edmond arriving Thursday or Friday, February 16 or 17, 2017 for 2 or 3 nights at the following rates:

King - \$94/night+tax

Double queen - \$104/night+tax

Executive king suite w/ sitting area/sofabed - \$104/night+tax

Executive SPA king suite w/ sitting area/sofabed - \$104/night+tax

Executive double queen suite w/ sitting area/sofabed - \$114/night+tax

To make reservations:

Call the front desk at 405-341-4818 and ask to book under the "UCO DEBATE FEB 2017" block. RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE PRIOR TO FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2017 TO INSURE AVAILABILITY AND DISCOUNT OPPORTUNITY.

Tab/Tournament Staff:

Jeff Jarman, Matt Moore, Matt Vega – The tab room will also generally be open to anyone interested in the goings ons.

ENTERING DISTRICTS - NDT Eligibility & Declaration

Step 1: Letter of Good Standing

The NDT rules require that all students attending districts be in good standing (see below). Proof of good standing must be submitted by the start of the NDT Committee meeting on February 8. There are three ways in which to submit the documents proving eligibility:

- 1. Fax to Dallas Perkins. The number is 617-876-1360
- 2. Mail to Dallas Perkins, 324 Franklin Street, Cambridge, MA 02139
- 3. Hand-delivery to me or Dallas before the NDT committee meeting at Northwestern. The NDT committee meeting will be held during rounds 2&3.

Step 2: Declaration of Intention to Enter Districts

You have to declare your specific teams for the D3 tournament by 5pm on Tuesday (Feb 14), and you declare by entering them into the qualifier division on Tabroom.com. If you plan to submit a 3rd team for the NDT second round process, they MUST be entered online, and the district ranking vote will determine which team will compete at districts and which will be treated as the "C team."

Dates for Pre-Rankings

Once the district registration is completed by 5pm on Tuesday, Feb. 14, each program is requested to rank all attending teams. These rankings determine the pre-set rounds, but also determine which team will actually compete for schools submitting three teams. Thus, rankings are due by noon on Thursday, February 16.

ENTERING MAC

Entries will be done on Tabroom.com. Please try to enter early so we can get an accurate head count. The deadline to enter is 5PM, Tuesday, February 14.

Judge Requirements and Placement:

For the district qualifying tournament:

Each team competing requires **6 rounds of judging commitment**. Each judge/coach is required by the Constitution to be entered for at least 3 rounds. All judges must meet NDT judge requirements (see the standing rules link below) and must have philosophies entered on debate results. All judges and philosophies should be entered by 5pm on Tuesday, Feb. 14.

For the Mid America Championship:

Each team requires 3 rounds of judging. Judges are expected to stay one round past their team's elimination from the tournament.

All divisions will use mutually preferred judging; however, judges will be placed first in the District Qualifying Tournament. All judges are expected to fill their commitment; those judges who are difficult to place in the qualifying division will be placed in the MAC, even if the school doesn't have teams in that tournament.

Tentative Schedule

For the District Qualifier: We will be employing a 2-4-2 format, enhancing our flexibility should runoffs become necessary.

For the MAC: There will be six preliminary debate (2 Friday and 4 Saturday) and 2 elimination rounds in each division.

Friday

2:00 Registration

3:30 PM Pairings Round 1

4:00 PM Round 1

6:30 PM Dinner

6:45 PM Pairings Round 2

7:15 PM Round 2

Saturday

7:45 AM Pairings Round 3

8:30 AM Round 3

10:45 Lunch

11:15 AM Pairings Round 4

12:00 PM Round 4

3:00 PM Pairings Round 5

3:45 PM Round 5

6:00 PM Dinner 6:45 Pairings Round 6 7:30 PM Round 6 Sunday 7:45 AM Pairings Round 7 8:30 AM Round 7 11:30 AM Pairings Round 8 12:15 PM Round 8 RUNOFFS PROCEED

Important NDT Dates

First Round At-Large Bids

Wednesday, February 8 First-Round At-Large Bids due 5pm Friday, February 9-Sunday February 12 First-Round At-Large Bid voting Monday, February 13 First-Round At-Large Bids announced

Districts

Tuesday, February 14 – Declaration of intent to attend districts 5pm Thursday, February 16 – Preliminary Bid Allocation Districts February 17-19th

Second-Round At-Large Bids

Tuesday, February 28 Second-Round At-Large Bids due March 1-5 Second-Round At-Large Bid voting Monday, March 6 Second-Round At-Large Bids announced

Applying for First and Second Rounds

Schools may apply for NDT At Large online at Tabroom.com. Payment Options:

- 1) Use the online payment system on the NDT website (http://nationaldebatetournament.org/at-large-bids/)
- 2) Mail check to the National Debate Tournament