**21st Val Browning Round Robin**  
September 27th-28th

**5th Mukai College Classic**  
September 30th-October 2nd

July 1, 2017

Dear Colleagues:

Please join us for the 21st annual Val Browning Round Robin and the 5th annual Mukai College Classic.

The 21st Val field will be limited to 9 teams, and will form a single pod. Apply using the link to the following form: https://goo.gl/4ZNZRZ

The Committee will inform applicants by Aug 14th as to the acceptance of your team. The selection committee is: Deven Cooper (CSU-Long Beach), Toya Green (CSU-Fullerton), and Ben Hagwood (Liberty University). The Val is hosted at the Ogden Courtyard Marriott.

The 5th annual Mukai has no entry limits, and will have all three division of competition available for our guests: varsity, junior varsity, and novice. Mukai prelims are hosted on our main campus, the elimination rounds are hosted at the Ogden Marriott.

Top 10 reasons to come to the Val & Mukai Swing:

1. **Cheap Entry Fees**:

Val: $100 per person.

Mukai: $60 per person.

2. **Cheap Hotel:**

Val & Mukai: $95/night Ogden Marriott booking link www.valmukai.com

3. **Cheap Transport:**

$15 light rail from SLC to Ogden Marriott. One very brief transfer. Arrive a couple blocks from Ogden Marriott. We’ll bus you from the hotel to campus.

4. **Low Food costs:**

Your entry fees include 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and 1 dinner for the two days of preliminary competition at both the Val and the Mukai. The few times you have to eat out on your own dime, you will be impressed by the quality and affordability of our many dining options.

5. **Free parking on campus, in a dedicated lot, close to our buildings:**

Or just ride the bus. Either way, no getting lost on our campus. Also, even though we are at 4250 feet, our campus is mostly level and fully compliant with all Federally required accommodation mandates.

6. **State of the art facilities in close proximity – with little to no walking:**

You can and should go outside because the weather will be beautiful and the mountains are gorgeous, but you probably don’t have to: your next debate is just down that hall.

7. **Dr. Adam Symonds (A.S.U.) tabbing both tournaments.**

Weber State is very grateful for Adam’s continued supporting of tab room excellence in the West.

8. **Internet you can count on.**

Dedicated SSID from our great tech team at Weber State. Every time.

9. **Great awards and a proud tournament tradition.**

Due to the generosity of the Browning and Keystone foundations, we are able to offers very nice awards for top speakers and elimination round competitors. Many of our previous competitors have gone on to incredible accomplishments in their competitive and coaching careers.

10. **An experienced hosting team at your service.**

We’re excited you are coming to Ogden, we’ll make sure to provide any and all travel assistance to make sure you and your students have a great trip to Utah – whether this is your first trip to Ogden or you are a seasoned traveler of the West.

**Tournament Procedures:**

Deadlines: Val entries will be announced on August 14th. Mukai entries must be finalized by Monday the 25th of September, 2017.

We will debate the 2017-2018 Cross Examination Debate Association annual resolution.

Tournament Procedures: We’d like to especially encourage folks to bring their Novice and JV debaters to our tournament. We will not break brackets. Hybrid teams are permitted. Prior to the tournament, maverick entries are NOT accepted. Once the tournament begins, maverick situations will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

The tournament employs the 9-3-6 format with ten minutes of preparation time allocated to each team. We continue to employ a mutual preference judging (MPJ) placement system.

Weber State teams may compete in the tournament. If so, they are eligible to receive speaker awards and to compete in elimination rounds. We will enter via tabroom and declare our participation publicly.

We subscribe to CEDA’s policy against Sexual Harassment and Discrimination.

Judging: Each judge will be required to declare one and only one and one and only one loser in each debate to which they are assigned by the tab room.

Judges will also be required to assign speaker points and speaker ranks to each participant in the debate. In each debate, speakers are rated on a scale of 1- 30, including tenths of a point, with no ties. Speaker ranks are accepted in whole numbers only from 1 to 4.

Judges are also required to render a decision in accordance with the aforementioned criteria no more than 2.5 hours beyond the designated start time of any debate that they are assigned by the tab room to adjudicate.

Judges are expected to disqualify themselves from hearing any team or school with which they may have a personal or professional conflict.

Illness: Please don’t bring sick debaters to the tournament, as we’d like to avoid spreading illness across schools.

Tournament Schedule: Will be posted at the tournament website, www.weberfallswing.com

This Fall, please join us in Ogden for a great time.