**The Third Annual**

**Clash of the Titans**

**Speech & Debate Tournament!**



***WHEN*:**   Saturday, January 20th, 2018

***WHERE*:**   Cosby High School

14300 Fox Club Parkway

Midlothian, VA 23112

***EVENTS*:** This Speech and Debate tournament will follow VHSL rules to prepare students for upcoming conference, regional and state tournaments, although private schools are encouraged to compete as well.  We hope to provide a great local tournament option for Central Virginia schools especially!  Middle school students are also encouraged to compete in the novice category.

1.  Lincoln-Douglas:  Novice\* and Open 4 rounds.

2.  Public Forum:  Novice\* and Open.  4 rounds.

3.  Student Congress:  Open division.  Each student should submit a bill and teams should coordinate to divide bills up among the following 4 categories (Domestic, International, Virginia, Economic).  2 sessions of Congress, 2 hours each.  Congress topics are:

Domestic:   *National Football League, Gun Control*

International:   *American Diplomacy, Sub-Saharan Africa*

Economic:   *Net Neutrality, Tax Reform*

Virginia:   *Redistricting Reform, Energy Initiatives*

Email Congress legislation to jaclyn\_clark@ccpsnet.net by 1/6/18

4.  Policy Debate:  Novice\* and Open.  3 rounds.

*\*Novice debaters must be in their first year of competitive debate. If there are not enough numbers to operate a separate novice bracket, they will be combined into the open division but top novice awards will still be given.  Please indicate on tabroom if a competitor is in his/her first year of competition.*

5.  The following open speech categories will be offered (3 rounds each):  Extemp\*, Impromptu, Original Oratory, Prose, Poetry, DI\*, HI\*, Duo, Storytelling, AND the exciting **DUO IMPROV**, **ORIGINAL** **SPOKEN WORD**\*, and **RADIO BROADCASTING**\*!  Students MAY double-enter in all speech categories EXCEPT Extemp and Radio Broadcasting

*\*Extemp Topics will coincide with 2018 regional topics released by the Virginia High School League*

*\*DI/HI may be combined based on numbers entered.*

*\*Original Spoken Word is a poetry piece/ selection that is written by the student, and is delivered in the style of spoken-word or slam poetry. This event requires a manuscript, and copies to be turned-in for each round. Other rules for this event will follow those prescribed by the VHSL for competitors in Poetry. Questions regarding this event should be directed toward* *william\_waddell@ccpsnet.net* *.*

*\*Radio Broadcasting will operate similarly to Extemp. Students will be given a packet of news articles for each round, and they will be given 30 minutes to construct a presentation of up to 4 minutes. Students will be judged on delivery, relevance, variety, creativity, and characterization. Questions regarding this event should be directed toward* *william\_waddell@ccpsnet.net* *.*

***JUDGES:***

Each school is responsible for providing their own judges with the following quotas:

1 judge for:

…every 2 Lincoln-Douglas Debate entries or fraction thereof,

…every 2 Public Forum Debate entries or fraction thereof,

…every 2 Policy Debate entries or fraction thereof,

…every 5 Student Congress entries or fraction thereof, and

…every 5 Individual Events entries or fraction thereof\*

*\*Student Congress and IE event judges may be combined.*

***COSTS*:**

School registration fee:  $20 (covers snacks/lunch for judges/ coaches!)

Schools are limited to 6 entries in each debate category/speech event.

Number of LD competitors @$15 per entry = \_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Congress entries @$15 per entry = \_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Individual Speech entries @$15 per entry = \_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Duo Speech entries @$30 per entry = \_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of PF teams @$30 per team = \_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Policy teams @$30 per team = \_\_\_\_\_\_

*\*\*Above costs includes* ***lunch*** *for all competitors\*\**

*Tabroom will create an invoice for you that you can print out. Receipts will be given at the tournament.*

***DROPS*:**

Drops (for any reason) are permitted up to 48 hours before the tournament with no penalty.  Drops within 48 hours require schools to honor the entry fees AND still require the original judging quota.  If the original judging quota is not met upon registration, students may not be able to compete and there will be a $50 dropped judge fee.

***SCHEDULE*:**

 Registration:   8:00 - 8:30 am

 Judges Meeting:   8:45 am

 Extemp Draw: 8:45 am

 Round 1 (all events): 9:15 am

 Round 2 LD/PF: 10:00 am

Extemp Draw: 10:15 am

Round 2 Speech: 10:30 am

 Round 3 LD/PF: 11:00 am

*\*\*Lunch in between rounds (beginning at 11:00 am)*

 Round 2 Congress:   12:00 pm

Extemp Draw: 12:45 pm

Round 3 Speech: 1:00 pm

 Round 4 LD/PF: 1:00 pm

 Awards Assembly:   4:00 pm

***CONCESSIONS and LUNCH*:**

Concessions will be made available throughout the day. Lunches for competitors, coaches, and judges are included in the price of admission. Observers may purchase lunch from the concession stand for $5.

***AWARDS*:**

Trophies will be given to the top 3 finishers in each category.   Sweepstakes and runner up sweepstakes trophies will be given to the schools with the most points in each division (speech and debate).

***REGISTRATION*:**

**Please go to** [**http://cosbyclashofthetitans.tabroom.com**](http://cosbyclashofthetitans.tabroom.com)

**You will need to create a tabroom account with an email and password (free). Add your entries and judges. On the main page, you will be able to print an invoice to know the amount due. Direct any tabroom questions to William\_waddell@ccpsnet.net**

All registrations will be due on Thursday, January 18th at 5:00 PM

Please bring checks payable to Cosby High School.  Thank you for supporting our Speech and Debate Program!

Best,

Jackie Clark (804-386-8000) & Billy Waddell (434-390-2995)

*Cosby Speech and Debate Coaches*