# UMN HS Invitational: 2017

September 14, 2017

The University of Minnesota Debate Team invites you and your squad to our annual high school debate tournament on Friday, October 6 and Saturday, October 7, 2017. 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 4, 2017. 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

The tournament is more consolidated than in prior years.

**Friday**: All events will be on the West Bank, based out of Blegen Hall (unless entries far far exceed historic levels). The best dropoff location is the traffic circle at the Humphrey Center / Law School. We will run all events out of a single tabroom on the second floor of Blegen, location TBD.

**Saturday**: Events will be **split** between the two banks—separate tabrooms, judge lounges, and concessions—this means that the **judging pool** will also be **split**.

* **JV / Varstiy / RR**: West Bank, based out of Blegen
* **Rookie / Novice**: East Bank, Knoll Area, based out of Folwell Hall. Drop your students off at Folwell Hall (9 Plesant St. SE, 55455), either on Pleasant Avenue or Universtiy. We will run these vents out of a tabroom on the bottom floor of Folwell, location TBD.

A searchable camp map can be round 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 a fee structure that reflects the cost of running the tournament. We have operated at a (small) loss for 8 of the past 10 years, and we anticipate that we will do so again this year.

 $30/ Varsity Policy entry

 $15/ Novice & JV Policy entry (each day—costs are the same each day because they are based on custodial fees)

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 6, 2017

2-3p Registration, TBA

3:30p Round the First

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

5:30-6:15p Dinner

6:30-8:30p Round the Second

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

9p NCX & JVCX Friday Tourney Awards,

9:15p Bus pick-up

#### Saturday, October 7, 2017

7-7:30a Registration, TBA

8a Round the Third

 VCX Rnd 3, Rnd 1 for RCX-Sa, NCX-Sa, JVCX-Sa

10a Round the Fifth

 VCX Rnd 4, Rnd 2 for RCX-Sa, NCX-Sa, JVCX-Sa

11:30a-12p Lunch

12p Round the Sixth

 VCX Rnd 5, Rnd 3 for RCX-Sa, NCX-Sa, JVCX-Sa

2p Round the Seventh

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

4:30p Awards

 Varsity semifinals and finals to follow

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.