

Dear parents, students, & administrators,

We are very excited to announce and invite you to our fall series of club tournaments. We will be hosting six tournaments in Boston, Northeast, and Mid-Atlantic regions. Three in October and three in December. We will also be hosting four on the West Coast in Southern California and Seattle. Two in November and two in December.

## Registration on Tabroom has begun for Boston, Northeast, and Mid-Atlantic October tournaments:

Boston - Hampton Inn - Natick, MA Saturday, October 14th

<u>Northeast - Hyatt Regency - Morristown, NJ</u> <u>Sunday, October 15th</u>

<u>Mid-Atlantic - Sheraton - Tysons Corner, VA</u> <u>Saturday, October 14th</u>

Entry fees will remain \$100 per club team. The tournaments will be using the club debate format and regulations that were utilized at our club nationals tournament last year. Computers are not permitted in round and the format stresses that opening cases should utilize note cards instead of a verbatim reading of a pre-written case. Regulations on format and speech times can be found on the tournament website. The club tournaments will use the following topic for fall competitions:

*On balance, diplomacy has better maintained peace than military power.* 

We are also hosting our annual Fall Classic tournament which is open to all clubs, schools, and competitors. That will be taking place on October 21st & 22nd. LD remains a semi-finals bid and PF a finals bid for the TOC. We look forward to hosting you at one of the most competitive tournaments in the region. The tournament will use the standard October PF topic. For the tournament invitation and information please visit Tabroom.

> Capitol Beltway Fall Classic - Tysons Corner, VA October 21st and 22nd

Best regards, Gabe Rusk Capitol Debate - Director of Debate University of Oxford '16 TOC Champion Public Forum '10