

Reverend Copeland Invitational Debate Tournament  
At Santa Clara University  
Friday, January 19-Saturday, January 20, 2018

Dear Colleagues:

You and your squad are invited to the Fr. Raymond F. Copeland Invitational Debate Tournament at Santa Clara University on January 20 and 21, 2018. This year the tournament will feature 6 preliminary rounds of NPDA style Parliamentary debate in two divisions: Novice and Open. Our tournament is an inexpensive opportunity for your debaters to shake off the winter rust and begin to prepare for their championship season.

Entries are due by Wednesday, January 17 at 8pm.

Registration will take place at the [TABROOM.COM](http://TABROOM.COM) website. The tournament name is the SCU Copeland Invitational 2017.

Father Copeland was a long time coach and supporter of debate at Santa Clara University, member of the NCFCA and a distinguished professor of religion.  
Hope to see you at SCU!

Thanks,  
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### **2018 Copeland Invitational Tournament Schedule: (TENTATIVE) Santa Clara University**

#### **Friday, January 19, 2018 - Parking \$8 on campus**

4-5:00pm Registration - Vari Hall (formerly known as Arts and Sciences Building)  
5:30-7:00pm Round I Parliamentary Debate  
7-8:30pm Round II Parliamentary Debate  
8:30-10:00 Round III Parliamentary Debate

#### **Saturday, January 21, 2018 - Parking is free on campus**

9:00am-10:30am Round IV Parliamentary Debate  
10:45-12:00pm Round V Parliamentary Debate  
12:30-2:00 Round VI Parliamentary Debate  
2:30 Parliamentary Debate Speaker Awards  
2:30-4:00pm Parli Elim #1  
4:10-5:30pm Parli Elim #2  
5:45-7:00pm Parli Elim #3 (If needed)  
7:10-8:30pm Parli Elim #4 (If needed)  
Schedule may be pushed up or adjusted

#### **Debate Information**

The SCU Copeland Invitational offers 6 preliminary rounds of open and novice NPDA parliamentary

debate. We will administer the tournament in accordance with NPDA and will be a sanctioned tournament. The schedule will allow for Octofinals or Quarterfinals contingent on registration.

### **Judging**

One judge will cover 2 teams and or fraction thereof. PLEASE bring sufficient judges to cover your entries! We charge a steep uncovered judge fee because it has historically been difficult to hire enough college judges to cover all uncovered teams. Judges are committed one round beyond the round in which their school is eliminated. If you have judges in excess of your commitment, we would be ecstatic to hire them. Please email [mjaich@scu.edu](mailto:mjaich@scu.edu) for more details.

### **Fees**

We charge: \$30 per team entry and \$100 for each uncovered team (in addition to the entry fee). Fees will be assessed Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 5pm. Drops after that point will incur a \$25 nuisance fee. Fees will be collected at registration prior to the first round of debate.

### **Entry Procedure**

We will handle entries through [TABROOM.COM](http://TABROOM.COM) and please submit entries by Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 9pm. Checks should be made payable to "Santa Clara Debate."

### **Awards**

We will offer awards to the following:

- \* All competitors in elimination rounds of Debate.
- \* The top 5 speakers in each division of Parliamentary Debate.

### **Parking and Public Transit**

Friday parking on campus is \$8 and Saturday parking is free. We are served by Caltrain and a free shuttle runs between the tournament hotel, Santa Clara U. and the Airport Terminals at Norman Y. Mineta Airport.

### **Tournament Hotel**

We suggest you use the Fairfield Suites San Jose Airport at 408.453.3133.