**2018 NCFA Spring Fling Tournament**

**One Day, Novice Only**

**Saturday, April 28th, 2018**

**Solano Community College, Fairfield, CA**

On behalf of the Northern California Forensics Association and the Solano Community College Forensics team, you are cordially invited to attend the 2018 Spring Fling Tournament, taking place Saturday, April 28th on the Solano Campus.

This is a rookie/novice only tournament and coaches should use discretion in selecting students who are beginners in a given event.

The tournament offers platform, limited preparation events, debate and interpretation events across Pattern A (After Dinner Speaking, Impromptu, Informative, Programmed Oral Interp, Prose, and Lincoln-Douglas Debate) and Pattern B (Dramatic Interp, Duo, Poetry, Persuasive, Extemporaneous, and Parliamentary Debate). Parli will include flex time. Students may compete in no more than 2 events per pattern. NFA-LD debaters cannot double enter in Pattern A, just as Parliamentary debaters cannot double enter in Pattern B.

You can register your students to compete in these events at www.Tabroom.com starting on Sunday, April 1st. All entries and drops must be submitted by Wednesday, April 25th at 5:00pm. For additions, changes, and drops after April 25th, email Shae Khan at BanafshaeKhan@gmail.com.

Prior to the start of the award ceremony, NCFA would like to support an honorary showcase in which four selected open competitors from the region present award-winning speeches to the novice competitors. If you would like to nominate a student to be considered for the showcase, send an e-mail to Kathleen Bruce at kbruce@deltacollege.edu that includes:

1. the Student’s name, 2) the school represented, 3) a list of awards earned in the 2017/2018 season, and 4) an explanation of how that student exemplifies the finest qualities of intercollegiate forensics. Please verify the nominated student will be present at the Spring Fling tournament.

We will also be recognizing the winners of the 2018 NCFA year-end awards. Please make sure that you get your nominations in and vote for the candidates in each category. NCFA President Steven Farias will be sending out the email for the nominations and the voting to all coaches in the area.

**FEES:**

IE entries are $6.00

NFA-LD entries are $10.00

Parli Debate Teams are $15.00

Each uncovered IE is $5.00

Each uncovered NFA-LD debater is $10.00

Each uncovered debate team is $15.00

Each drop after 11:59 PM (PT) April 27th is $3.00

**Note on round coverage:** One judge will cover 6 slots per pattern in IEs and up to two debate teams. As NFA-LD rounds conflict with Pattern A events, NFA-LD judges will not be able to cover Pattern A IE events. As Parli rounds conflict with Pattern B events, Parli judges will not be able to cover Pattern B IE events. **If your judges fail to meet the obligations that you assign to them, your institution will be charged the hired judging fees.**

**JUDGING**: Coaches and former competitors will contribute to a quality judging pool, ensuring students who are being exposed to the activity for the first time have a positive experience. Experienced, open competitors are also invited to judge. Student judges not only contribute to the growth of others as supportive listeners and critics, but may also benefit from experiencing forensics from the other side of the table. ALL STUDENT JUDGES MUST ATTEND AN ORIENTATION AT 8:30am (Location TBD). If you know a qualified judge who is not affiliated with your school and would be interested in judging, please contact the tournament director: Shae Khan (BanafshaeKhan@gmail.com) as soon as possible to see about having that judge hired into the judging pool. We will offer the Robert Hawes Student Judging Award for the Top Student Judge at the tournament.

**Information on parking, wifi, and food will be sent out one week prior to the start of the tournament by the tournament host.**

**LODGING:** Because many will commute to the tournament, we do not have a tournament hotel, but the following hotels are close to the campus and offer a range of price points. There are many more around the area no more than 10 minutes away.

Best Western Cordelia Inn - 4373 Central Pl, Fairfield, CA 94534; (707) 864-2029;

La Quinta Inn & Suites - 316 Pittman Rd, Fairfield, CA 94534; (707) 864-3797;
Homewood Suites by Hilton - 4755 Business Center Dr, Fairfield, CA 94534; (707) 863-0300

 **NCFA Spring Fling Schedule**

**Saturday, April 28th, 2018**

8:00-8:30am- Registration (Room 701)

**8:30am- Required Student Judging Orientation (Room 703)**

9:00am- Round 1: Pattern A (ADS, Imp, Info, POI, Pro, LD)

10:30am- Round 1: Pattern B (DI, Duo, Pers, Poe, Parli, Extemp) **(Extemp draw: Room712)**

 Topic Announce: 10:15am **(Room 736)**

12:00pm- Round 2: Pattern A (ADS, Imp, Info, POI, Pro, LD)

1:15pm- Lunch **(Cafeteria is open from 11:00-2:00)**

1:45pm- Round 2: Pattern B

 Topic Announce: 1:30pm **(Room 736)**

3:15pm- Pattern A Finals & NFA-LD Round 3 (All Debaters in Round 3)

4:30pm- Pattern B Finals & Parliamentary Debate Round 3 (All Teams in Round 3)

 Topic Announce: 4:15pm **(Room 736)**

5:50pm Honorary Showcase **(1400: Back half of Cafeteria)**

6:15pm Awards **(1400: Back half of Cafeteria)**