## Connecticut Debate Association January 7, 2017 Tournament King School, Shepaug Valley High School, and Warde High School

On behalf of King School and Coach Ian Lear-Nickum, Shepaug Valley High School and Coach Fran Belinson and Warde High School and Coach Mick McGarry, I would like to invite you to attend our fourth tournament of the 2016-17 season on Saturday, January 7. We will follow our standard tournament format.

## Please read the following items carefully:

- 1. Given the short school week, please register as soon as possible, or, if you have not already emailed me, reply to this email and indicate whether you will attend and which location you prefer. With three hosts we should have room for all who wish to attend, but we would like to keep approximately the same numbers at each site.
- 2. You must register your teams and judges through  $\underline{tabroom.com}$ . Instructions for using tabroom.com for CDA can be found here:  $\underline{http://ctdebate.org/PDFs/Using\%20Tabroom.pdf}$ . We will be using  $\underline{tabroom.com}$  for registration for all tournaments.

The tournament entry on <u>tabroom.com</u> has nine events, Varsity, Novice and Observer for each of the three hosts. You may choose the tournament you would like to attend by registering your debaters in the events for one high school or the other. If you plan to bring observers, and you would like them to have resolution packets, then please register them.

The tournament is open for registration now, and your entries must be in by Friday, January 6 at 6PM. You can edit them up until 9AM on the morning of the tournament.

3. Please abide by the rules for Novice eligibility (unchanged from last year):

The Novice division will be open to Freshman and Sophomores, regardless of experience or record. They may qualify and participate as Novices in State Finals both years. However, they may move up to Varsity at any time if they or their coach choose, and once having moved up, may not return to Novice. Coaches are encouraged to move Sophomores up to Varsity if they have been successful as a Freshman, but are not required to do so.

Juniors who have never debated before in CDA may participate as Novices in their first regular CDA tournament. Otherwise they may only debate in Varsity. They may not participate in State Finals except in Varsity. They may only qualify for State Finals while debating in Varsity.

Seniors may not participate as Novices in any CDA tournament.

4. To qualify for State Finals, a debater must win a trophy at a regular tournament, or go 3-0 at two regular tournaments. In other words, simply going 3-0 at one tournament without winning a trophy will not qualify.

## 5. You can find directions to the schools at their web sites:

King School 1450 Newfield Avenue | Stamford, CT 06905 http://www.klht.org/

Shepaug Valley High School 159 South Street, Washington, CT 06793 http://svs.region-12.org/

Warde High School 755 Melville Avenue, Fairfield, CT 06825 http://fairfieldschools.org/schools/fwhs/

If you have questions, please email me at <a href="mailto:ejrutan3@ctdebate.org">ejrutan3@ctdebate.org</a> . I look forward to seeing you there.

## **Tournament Day Schedule**

Time	Activity	Location
8-9AM	Registration and coffee	Cafeteria
9AM	Resolution and packet distributed	Cafeteria
9-10AM	Preparation for debaters	Cafeteria
	Workshop for judges	As directed
10-11:30AM	Round 1 (random pairings)	Room listed on round schedule
11:30AM-1PM	Round 2 (random pairings)	Room listed on round schedule
1-2PM	Lunch	Cafeteria
2-3:30PM	Round 3 (power matched, flip for side)	Room listed on round schedule
3:30-5PM	Varsity Final Round	Auditorium or cafeteria
5-5:30PM	Awards	Auditorium or cafeteria
5:30PM	Departure	