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Verity Speech & Debate Club
Educational Practice Tournament
Saturday, January 11th, 2020

An opportunity for debaters, speakers, coaches, and parents, to learn and practice argumentation, oratorical, and judging skills in a tournament setting.

PARENTS & STUDENTS:

Please read all of this carefully! Then, fill in the registration form at the end of this document, and return it to the Tournament Director by email right away. Because we must plan for enough rooms and judges, we've set **Wednesday, January 1st** as the deadline for registering.

- ❖ Please recruit and bring at least one judge with you; it can be a parent.
- ❖ Additional community judges would be very welcome and very much appreciated!
- ❖ Debaters and speakers from other clubs have been invited to join us as well.

TEAM POLICY DEBATERS:

- ✓ Experienced team policy debaters will have 4 debate rounds—2 in the morning & 2 in afternoon.
- ✓ Novice policy debaters will observe Round 1, and stay in place for the following analysis.
- ✓ Debate rounds for novice policy teams are scheduled for the afternoon. (See the schedule below.)

PUBLIC FORUM DEBATERS: There will be at least four Public Forum rounds. See the schedule below. We may schedule more rounds if we have enough teams and judges, so please come prepared to stay later.

PARENTS of NOVICE DEBATERS:

- ✓ This day is as much for you to learn as it is for the debaters. It's an opportunity to learn about judging, ask questions, and see how this debate "thing" fits together.
- ✓ **Novice TP Parents:** At least one parent is expected to attend the 8:30 am Team Policy debate demonstration round and interactive analysis following it.
- ✓ **Novice PF Parents:** You are expected to attend either the Public Forum judge training session OR the Team Policy Debate demonstration round & analysis. (See the schedule below.)
- ✓ Please also be available to help judge the IE round at 12:00
- ✓ If at all possible, please help judge policy debate rounds at 1:30 pm and/or 3:00 pm.

PARENTS of ADVANCED DEBATERS:

- ✓ You are needed to judge debate rounds.
- ✓ Please also be available to help judge the IE round at 12:00

VARSITY SPEAKERS:

- ✓ You should come prepared to present your Interp speeches and/or Public Address speeches from memory as much as possible.
- ✓ Verity students ages 9-18 are expected to participate in either JV Impromptu/Impromptu or Impromptu Apologetics, or both. (We will probably not offer Mars Hill Apologetics.)
- ✓ Please arrive no later than 11:30 am if you're only competing in the 12:00 speech round.

JUNIOR & JV SPEAKERS:

- ✓ You will have an opportunity to practice giving your speeches during the 12:00 pm IE round.
- ✓ As much as possible, speeches should be memorized.
- ✓ Please arrive no later than 11:30 am if you're only competing in the 12:00 speech round.

<i>NOTE: We will not be using written speech ballots for this tournament.</i>

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THE DETAILS

- DATE:** Saturday, January 11, 2020
- CHECK-IN TIME:** 8:00 a.m. for all debaters • 11:30 a.m. for non-debating speakers
(Please arrive early so we can keep things on schedule.)
- ENDING TIME:** 5:30 p.m. (Optional gathering follows at Chick-fil-a **or** at Cerro Azul)
- LOCATION:** Kingsway Community Church (<http://www.kingsway.cc/>)
14111 Sovereign Grace Drive, Midlothian, VA 23114
- DRESS CODE:** Tournament attire: suits, ties, jackets, dresses, etc.
(see the [CCofSE Code of Conduct](#) for specifics)
- COST:** \$20 per family to offset the costs incurred by using the church building.
- BRING:**
- ✓ Your own water bottle, with your name on it.
 - ✓ Your debate cases & evidence.
 - ✓ A copy of your IE speech and/or Interp and your [CCofSE speech submission sheet](#).
 - ✓ A flow pad for debate (legal-size paper), a count-down timing device, and pens.
 - ✓ A bag lunch & your own snacks for the day. There will be no time to go anywhere to buy food. Food may be consumed only in the large main foyer or at the picnic tables outside.
 - ✓ Snacks should be simple and healthy. (energy bars, fruit, veggies, etc.)
To make cleanup easier, please avoid messy snacks such as brownies, popcorn, chips & sodas.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

Since the rounds are scheduled nearly back-to-back throughout the day, everyone will need to move quickly from one round to another.

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| 8:00 am | Check-in for debaters and announcements |
| 8:30 am | TP Round #1 – Demonstration round includes hands-on judge training
PF Debate Round #1 - Demonstration round includes hands-on judge training |
| 9:30 am | PF Round #2 |
| 10:00 am | TP Debate Round #2 |
| 11:30-am | Check-in for all non-debating speakers |
| 12:00 noon | IE (Speech) Round – all speakers (Juniors, JVs, and Varsity) |
| 1:30 pm | TP Debate Round #3
PF Debate Round # 3 |
| 2:30 pm | PF Debate Round # 4 |
| 3:00 pm | TP Debate Round #4 |
| 4:30 pm | Announcements and clean up |
| 5:30 pm | Exit the building |
| 6:00 pm | Optional: Dinner at Chick-fil-A at Westchester Commons or Cerro Azul (a nearby family-friendly Mexican restaurant) |

No childcare is provided. Our space in this facility is limited, and there is no nursery or childcare available. Therefore please do not bring small children with you. Siblings 10 and over, and any interested adults are encouraged to join in and learn right along with us.

<p>CONTACT NUMBER ON THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT: Mrs. Kathryn Shanks (804) 920-1298 (Please do not call the KingsWay church office.)</p>
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REGISTRATION FORM

Please make a copy of this form for each participant. Then email the form(s) to the Tournament Director, [Wendy Goins](mailto:7goins@gmail.com), by **January 1, 2020** (7goins@gmail.com)

We will accommodate as many as possible in our limited space. "First come, first served!"

Student's Name: _____ Age ____ Parent's Name _____

Club name: _____ Judge's name: _____

Email: _____ Cell Number: _____

Check the event(s) for which you wish to register.

♣ = ([CCofSE speech submission sheet](#) required.)

DEBATE:

____ TEAM POLICY DEBATE My partner's name: _____

____ PUBLIC FORUM DEBATE My partner's name: _____

VARSAITY SPEECH

____ Biographical Informative ♣ (If using Power Point, you must bring your own computer and cords.)

____ Motivational Speaking ♣

____ Duo Interpretation ♣ My partner's name: _____

____ Open Interpretation ♣

____ Expository Speaking ♣

____ Impromptu Apologetics

Varsity speakers may check only one of the following:

____ Impromptu

____ Mars Hill Impromptu (May not happen)

JV SPEECH

____ JV Apologetics ♣

____ JV Impromptu

____ JV Prose ♣

____ JV Biographical Informative ♣

JUNIOR SPEECH

____ Junior Interpretation ♣