



November, 2013

Dear Colleagues:

I would like to invite you and your squad to the Thirty-second Annual Cypress College Invitational Tournament. We hope to continue the tradition of excellence in forensics competition that so many of our regular participants have come to enjoy. If this is your first trip to Cypress College, you can expect great competition, warm hospitality, and outstanding tournament administration. This year's Cypress Invitational will be held on our traditional weekend: Friday and Saturday, December 13 and 14, 2013.

Our Tournament Headquarters will continue to be at the **Student Activities Center** in the middle of campus. So many of you indicated how much you enjoyed these facilities and the proximity to the Food Services that we decided to make our home base there. This is where postings will be, ballot pick-up and return as well as registration. The building is located right next to the small pond. It is where we were last year.

Please read the tournament entry procedures carefully. While we think we will have plenty of rooms this year, we will still follow the same entry system that we have been using for the last several years in order to facilitate entry limits should it become necessary.

In an effort to get the tournament started smoothly we will again have the fee payment period in the later afternoon. We will handle changes such as name changes and drops from 10:30-11:30 but will collect fees at 4:00 pm on Friday. We hope this will expedite the start of the tournament. We will only be able to accommodate adds if space is available.

We will again be offering both Varsity and Novice divisions in Team and Lincoln-Douglas Debate and eight Individual events. In addition we will be offering both Novice and Open Divisions of Student Congress. And we will again offer a limited Open Division of Parliamentary Debate. In fairness to our long-time Policy, LD and Congress schools, we will fill our rooms with Parli entries **after** we have accommodated those entries. So space in Parli may be limited. Based on last year's entries, we anticipate being able to accommodate 40 Parli Teams. There will be just one Open division in this event. Anyone may enter.

Please take note of the following particulars:

1. There will be ONE pattern of Individual Events. Students may double-enter.
2. Students may compete in Student Congress and Individual Events. However, Congress conflicts with Debate.
3. We will be having a PO contest in Student Congress. One entry per school.
4. By request, **we will be using the November/December Lincoln Douglas debate topic.** Please note that this is a change from past years where we have used the CA First semester topic.
4. **WE ARE USING A COMPLETE ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM. Please go to <http://forensicstournament.net/> and set up an account for your school. You can start doing this Monday November 18th. The online registration process makes the administration of the tournament much more efficient.**

In an effort to ensure the safety of your students as well as the protection of our facilities **our administration has requested that all schools provide an adult supervisor who is responsible for chaperoning your students throughout the course of the tournament.** Please identify your supervisor when checking in to the tournament. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

At Cypress College, we pride ourselves on running a smooth, on-time tournament that both you and your students will enjoy. I trust that the enclosed brochure will answer all your questions. Please do not hesitate to call me if I can be of any assistance.

We look forward to seeing many of you at Cypress in December.

Sincerely,
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Director of Forensics
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TOURNAMENT RULES

DIVISIONS

Novice division is limited to first-year competitors. Varsity division is open to all competitors. In debate, if either partner is varsity, the team must be entered in varsity.

TEAM DEBATE

We will utilize the 2013-2014 policy topic. Time limits will be 8-3-5 with an eight-minute lapse time rule.

LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE

We will utilize the November/December 2013 Lincoln-Douglas debate topic. Time limits will be 6-3-7-3-4-6-3 with a three-minute lapse time rule.

PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE

We will be using standard CHSSA Parliamentary debate rules. Time limits will be 7-7-7-7-5-5.

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

In individual events, we have attempted to follow the CHSSA rules. There will be ONE pattern: Impromptu, Humorous Interpretation, Dramatic Interpretation, Expository, Original Prose/Poetry, Duo Interpretation, Thematic Interpretation, and Persuasive. Students may enter up to two events but it is the student's responsibility to get to the round on time. No material used in competition shall have been used in competition prior to September 1, 2013.

PERSUASIVE SPEAKING

This is a speech to persuade about some idea or issue. Advocacy or oratory speeches are appropriate in this event. All orations must be the original work of the contestants. No notes or manuscripts are allowed in the presentation of the speech in varsity division. Notes may be used in the novice division. There is a ten (10) minute maximum.

THEMATIC INTERPRETATION

The contestant is to present a program of three or more selections from different works based on a theme of his or her choice, with an extemporized introduction and transition. The manuscript is to be read; this is not a contest in acting. (Ten minute maximum.)

DRAMATIC INTERPRETATION

Selection may be prose, poetry, or drama of a serious nature. Although gestures and pantomime are not barred, they should be used with restraint as this is not a contest in acting. Selections must be

memorized in varsity division. Selections may be read in novice division. (Ten minute Max.)

HUMOROUS INTERPRETATION

Selections may be prose, poetry, or drama of a humorous (but not slapstick) nature. Although gestures and pantomime are not barred, they should be used with restraint as this is not a contest in acting.

Selections must be memorized in varsity division. Selections may be read in novice division. (Ten minute maximum.)

DUO INTERPRETATION

A cutting from a play including the portrayal of two or more characters presented by two individuals. This material may be drawn from stage, screen, or radio. This is not an acting event. Thus, no costumes, props, lighting, etc., are to be used. Focus should be off-stage and not to each other. Maximum time limit is ten minutes including introduction. (Ten minute maximum.)

EXPOSITORY SPEAKING

Any appropriate subject may be used, but the primary purpose of the speech must be to describe, clarify, explain, and/or define an object, idea, concept, or process. Visual and/or audio aids may be used insofar as they support the overall goal of the speech. All speeches must be the original work of the contestant. Use of notes or manuscript during the presentation of the speech is permissible. There is a ten (10) minute maximum including preparation and/or set-up time.

IMPROMPTU SPEAKING

Topics will be drawn from quotations, proverbs, sayings, etc. Each speaker will draw three topics and select one as the subject of the speech. No more than two minutes will be allowed for preparation. No notes may be utilized. There is a maximum of two (2) minutes allowed for preparation and a maximum of five (5) minutes allowed for speaking time.

ORIGINAL PROSE/POETRY

Any appropriate subject may be used. The primary purpose of the event is to demonstrate the writing/literary creativity of the contestant. The presentation may consist of prose or poetry or a combination of both. If more than one written selection is presented, the entire presentation may or may not be based on a thematic concept. The subject matter may be serious or humorous. (Ten minute maximum)

STUDENT CONGRESS

Student Congress Sessions will be approximately ninety minutes in length. Students will debate bills that are provided in this invitation. Students will give a three minute speech either in favor or in opposition to a given bill. There will also be one minute of

cross examination. There will be three preliminary rounds and one final round. Please note that students are NOT guaranteed speaking time. It is the competitors' responsibility to make sure that they are heard if they so desire. **All schools must provide at least one judge to serve as presiding officer.** Please indicate the PO on the judge list.

Students may also choose to compete in the Presiding Officer contest. Of course this means that students can either compete in Congress or the PO Contest. If you have a student competing in the PO contest, you do not also need to have a judge serve as PO. For purposes of entering and fees, the PO contest will be considered an IE. **One PO contest entry per school.** If space is available we may be able to accommodate additional entries.

THIS EVENT CONFLICTS WITH DEBATE.

ELIMINATION ROUNDS

Our schedule allows us to cut to quarter-finals in all divisions of the debate events and finals in all of the individual events. Should the entries not warrant such a cut (i.e., if it would result in taking more than half of the field) we will proceed to the next elimination round.

As a result the schedule may be moved forward on Saturday. We will not break brackets in debate.

AWARDS

All schools participating will receive five sweepstakes points for attendance. Each team debate win in preliminaries will count four points while each L-D debate win in preliminaries will count two points. A maximum of five debate entries in Team, Lincoln-Douglas and Parli will count toward sweepstakes. The following point allocation applies to individual events: First Place - fifteen points; Second Place - twelve points; Third Place - nine points; Finalist - six points; and Semi-Finalist - three points.

Plaques will be presented to all persons reaching the elimination rounds in debate. Plaques will be presented to all those reaching the finals in individual events. Sweepstakes trophies will be presented to the first, second, third, fourth, and fifth place schools. In addition, the Cypress College Invitational Perpetual Sweepstakes Trophy will be presented to the school with the most cumulative sweepstakes points. Last year the trophy was won by Immaculate Heart High School.

FEES

The following fees will be assessed:

School fees	\$20 (mandatory)
Team debate	\$50 per team
Lincoln-Douglas debate	\$25 per student
Individual events/Congress	\$10 per slot

Fees will be assessed as of 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 11th. Drops after that time will still result in fees being assessed.

Nuisance fees: In an attempt to reduce the number of last minute changes that disrupt tournament administration, we are continuing our policy of charging nuisance fees, similar to those found at many college tournaments. For excessive changes (add, drop, or no-show) that occur after the Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. deadline, the school will be assessed an additional \$5 fee. We hope this will discourage changes that can affect the tournament's operation.

Fees from the tournament are used to offset the costs of rental of facilities, clean-up expenditures, trophies and general supplies.

Fees are payable at the time of registration and should be made payable to Cypress College.

ENTRY LIMITS

It looks like we will have about 80 rooms. With the changes we have made to the schedule, we should be able to accommodate approximately 90 Debate Teams, 125 LDers and 200 Student Congress Entries. We should also be able to handle 500 IE slots.

ENTRY PROCESS

Since I don't know how many schools are planning to attend this year, there is no way for me to be able to guarantee a certain number of entries per school. The fairest system seems to be the following:

- You should enter your students in rank order by the following events: Team Debate, Lincoln Douglas, Congress, Parli and IE's.
- For Policy Debate, LD and Congress, in each event, I will take everyone's first entry, then everyone's second, etc until I am no longer able to take an entry from every school. At that point I will randomly choose a school and take their next entry and then randomly choose another school and take their next entry and so on until I fill up the rooms that I have. If you list all your Varsity Teams first, I will assume that they have priority over the Novice Teams. Once I have accommodated all Policy, LD and Congress entries I will use the same process for Parliamentary Debate.
- I will use basically the same procedure in IE's. When I am no longer able to take a slot from every school, I will then use the same random procedure to select students to fill in the remaining slots in an event.
- This means you need to prioritize your IE entries. If you want to make sure that all your students have the chance to do at least one event before you allow a student to be double-entered, then you need to be sure to enter them in that rank order. See example below.
- Those students not selected to compete in their events will be placed on a waiting list to be filled when we receive drops.
- You may make drops and name changes (NO ADDS) until Wednesday Dec. 5th at 5:00 pm.

So, for example, if I had 9 kids on my team, I might make the following entry:

Debate Entry

1. Matt Taylor and Liana Koeppel	Varsity Team
2. Pat Ganer and Donna Friess	Novice Team
3. Paige Taylor and Abby Taylor	Varsity Team

LD Entry

1. Sean Taylor	Novice LD
2. John Lambros	Varsity LD
3. Mike Brydges	Novice LD

IE/Congress Entry

<u>IE/Congress Entry</u>	<u>IE Entry</u>	<u>Congress Entry</u>
1. Pat Ganer	Varsity DI	
2. Pat Ganer	Varsity HI	
3. John Lambros	Varsity Pers	
4. Liana Koeppel	Varsity Impromptu,	Varsity Cong
5. Donna Friess	Varsity Impromptu,	Varsity Cong
6. Sean Taylor	Novice Expos	
7. Paige Taylor	Novice DI	Novice Cong
8. Abby Taylor	Varsity OPP	
9. Mike Brydges	Novice Impromptu	Novice Cong
10. John Lambros	Varsity Imp*	
11. Liana Koeppel	Varsity DI*	

* These students' second events would come after the other students had been entered, if there was space available.

ENTRY DEADLINE

The entry deadline is Monday December 2nd, 2013. YOU MUST HAVE YOUR INITIAL ENTRY IN BY 5:00 pm. **I cannot accept late entries.** At that point I will assess the entries I have received. I hope to be able to post a final entry list by Tuesday Dec. 4th. That way your students will know which events they may compete with at the tournament. If I receive drops, I will replace those students with randomly selected students from a waiting list. This seems to be the fairest method by which to limit the entries, yet still provide the most opportunity for the most students.

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Please email me at LianaKT@aol.com to confirm entries. Or call (714) 484-7175.

HOUSING AND MEALS

There are a variety of accommodations in the Cypress vicinity. A partial list of hotels and motels is appended for your convenience.

Our campus food services will be open

**Friday from 10:00am-6pm
Saturday 7:30am-4:00 pm.**

They are opening specifically for our event so please thank them for this service by patronizing their establishment.

CONTACT

Finally, if you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

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DEPARTMENT	(714) 484-7169
HOME	(714) 848-7171
CELL	(714) 309-6433

JUDGING COMMITMENT

All schools must provide one judge for every two team debate entries or fraction thereof, one judge for every four Lincoln-Douglas entries or fraction thereof, and one judge for every five individual event slots or Student Congress slots. Because of the nature of the schedule, the same judge may not cover Debate and Congress.

When entering your judges into the On-line Entry system. Please indicate which type of debate they are judging (LD, Team or Parli) and which day(s) they will be attending.

Any school not providing one debate judge per two team entrants or fraction thereof will be assessed a \$50 fee per entrant. Any school not providing one debate judge per four Lincoln-Douglas entrants or fraction thereof will be assessed a \$50 fee per two uncovered entrants or fraction thereof. Any school not providing one judge per five entrants in individual events per conflict pattern will be assessed \$10 per slot in excess of the ratio. These fees are used to pay the judges we then must hire. We would rather have your judges than your money.

Judge fees are assessed on Wednesday at 5pm. Any judges added after that date will not reduce your fees. **I need to have real names by that deadline. Any anticipated judge originally entered as Mickey Mouse or Cypress Judge #1 will be deleted and appropriate fees assessed.** I need to arrange for judges for uncovered entries and finding out at registration that the 5 judges you wrote down aren't really coming is too late for me to do that. I appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Judges must remain one round beyond the participation of their students. (All debate judges are committed through quarters and all

i.e. judges are committed through finals; those with students in those rounds are committed one round beyond that.)

Judges should check at the Judge Check in Table to receive their Name-Tag in when they arrive at the tournament.

CYPRESS COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL INVITATIONAL
TIME SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

10:30-11:30	Team Check-in (Student Activities Center)
12:00- 2:00	Round I - Debate (Team, Parli and Lincoln/Douglas)
2:00- 4:00	Round II - Debate
	Round I - Congress
4:00	FEE PAYMENT (Tab Room)
4:00- 6:00	Round III - Debate
	Round II - Congress
6:00- 7:30	Round I - All IEs
7:30- 9:15	Round IV - Debate
	Round III- Congress

SATURDAY

8:00- 10:00	Round V - Debate
10:00-11:30	Round II - IEs
11:30- 1:30	Quarters - Debate
1:30- 3:00	Round III - IES
3:00- 5:00	Semis Debate
	Congress Finals
5:00- 6:30	Elims IE's*
6:00- 8:00	Finals Debate*
	Elims IE's* (if necessary)
8:00	Awards (earlier, if possible)

*Provisions will be made for students in both IE and Debate finals.

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CYPRESS COLLEGE INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT

High School _____

Address _____

City

Zip

Director of Forensics _____

Office Phone Number _____

Home Phone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

	# of Entries	Total Fees
Computation of Fees		
School Fees		\$20
(\$20 Mandatory)		
Team Debate (Policy or Parli)		
\$50 Per Entry	_____	_____
Lincoln-Douglas Debate		
\$25 Per Entry	_____	_____
Individual Events		
\$10 (Duo \$20)	_____	_____
Judging Fees		
\$50 Per Uncovered		
Debate Entrant	_____	_____
\$10 Per Uncovered Slot	_____	_____
(Duo counts as one slot)		
	Total Fees	_____

HOUSING

Cypress College is in the vicinity of Knott's Berry Farm.

Cypress Courtyard by Marriott -- 5865 Katella Avenue Cypress, CA 90630 (1.8 miles; 7-10 minutes from campus. We have been quoted a rate of \$99 plus tax for a standard room. Includes hot breakfast for up to four people per room per tournament date. Contact Cherie Sorrentino directly at 714.484.2505 and reference the **Cypress College Invitational Forensics Tournament**.

Holiday In-- La Mirada - 14299 Firestone Blvd, La Mirada, CA 90638. (7 miles; 10-15 minutes from campus)
We have been quoted a rate of \$85.00 for 1-4 people. (Block expires Nov. 29th) Call the reservations desk at 714-739-8500 and indicate that you are with the **Cypress College Invitational-Speech/Debate**; or you can book on-line on their web site www.holidayinn.com/lamiradaca. Enter arrival and departure dates and enter the **group code CCF** and it will take you to the booking screen for rooms. If you have any problems, please contact Garry Abel at 714-690-2115 or email him at gabel@chalamirada.com.

Other Hotels in the area include:

Hyatt House Cypress/Anaheim -- 5905 Corporate Ave Anaheim, CA 90630 (714) 828-4000

Extended Stay America -- 5990 Corporate Ave Cypress, CA 90630 (714) 761-2766

Quality Inn & Suites Near Knott's Berry Farm -- 5651 Lincoln Ave Cypress, CA 90630 (714) 821-8011

Cypress Suites - 6262 Lincoln Blvd., Cypress, CA 90630 (714) 220-0900.

Roadway Inn -- 5311 Lincoln Ave Cypress, CA 90630 (714) 952-9388

ROYAL INN - 6112 Lincoln Avenue, Cypress (714) 995-7500.

CYPRESS COLLEGE INVITATIONAL PERPETUAL SWEEPSTAKES TROPHY

Below are the current standings as determined at the conclusion of the 2011 tournament. Points accumulated at the 2013 tournament will be added to these and the top school will be the 2013 winner. When a school has won the Perpetual Sweepstakes Trophy, its total will be reduced to 0 for the following year. Last year's winner of the Perpetual Sweepstakes Trophy was La Costa Canyon High School.

	School	total	
1	Claremont	1257	Winner -- 1991, 2002, 2008
2	San Dieguito	1146	
3	Oxford Academy	1085	
4	Colton	1017	
5	Esperanza	1000	Winner 1998
6	Brea Olinda	833	
7	Damien	701	Winner -- 2003
8	Oceanside	700	
9	Northwood	642	
10	Buena Park	634	
11	Helix Charter	582	
12	Santa Ana	580	
13	Yucaipa	578	Winner -- 2007
14	Mt Miguel	572	
15	Troy	557	
16	Mt Carmel	516	Winner 1988
17	Loyola	513	Winner -- 1995, 1999, 2005
18	Rancho Buena Vista	484	
19	Diamond Ranch	462	
20	Los Osos	458	
21	El Camino	444	
22	Cypress	434	
23	Upland	409	
24	Western	406	
25	Honor Academics	382	
26	South Torrance	377	
27	La Habra	371	
28	University La Quinta, Westminster	342	Winner-- 1990
29	(SCUDL)	329	
30	Sonora	323	
31	Servite	305	
32	Bellflower	300	
33	John Marshall	290	
34	Pacifica	289	
35	Saddleback	285	
36	Citrus Valley	281	
37	Los Alamitos	270	Winner-- 1997

38	Archer	264	
	Bishop Montgomery	264	
40	Belmont	258	
41	Katella	251	
42	Cleveland	246	
43	Don Bosco	242	
44	San Geronio	233	Winner-- 1985
45	Irvine	232	
	Los Amigos	232	
47	Estancia	214	
48	Redlands	197	Winner -- 1987, 1992, 1994, 2001, 2009
49	Polytechnic	196	
50	Redlands East Valley	184	
51	Bishop Alemany	168	
52	John F Kennedy	147	
53	Woodrow Wilson	146	
54	West Torrance	144	
55	Washington Prep	135	
56	Newport Harbor	126	
57	Bonita Vista	124	
58	Twenty-nine Palms	123	
59	Burbank	122	Winner -- 2011
60	Torrey Pines	118	
61	The Bishop's School	115	
62	Edison	111	
63	Yorba Linda	109	
64	LB Jordan	108	
65	La Mirada	104	
66	Vista	103	
67	Marina	101	Winner-- 1986
68	Compton	95	
	Rosary	95	
70	El Modena	82	
	La Quinta, La Quinta	82	
72	La Sierra	81	
73	Oceanview	79	
74	Immaculate Heart	76	Winner 2010
75	St Augustine	73	
76	Tustin	71	
77	Dominguez	62	
78	Kudos College of Youth Leadership		
79	Calabassas	59	
	Thomas Jefferson	59	
81	Fountain Valley	57	
	Norwalk	57	
83	Valencia	57	
84	Bishop Amat	56	
85	LA Jordan	54	
86	Garey	50	

	Leland	50
88	Westminster	47
89	Norte Vista	46
90	Foothill	45
	Morningside	45
92	Mater Dei	44
93	Centennial	43
	Palisades	43
95	Alta Loma	41
	Orange	41
97	Schurr	40
98	Huntington Beach	39
99	San Bernardino	38
100	Garfield	36
	Narbonne	36
102	St Michael's Prep	36
103	Corona Del Mar	35
	Fontana	35
105	LNU	35
106	Mission Viejo	34
107	Bethel Christian	32
	Yucca Valley	32
109	Marlborough	31
110	Fairmont Prep	30
111	South Pasadena	29
112	Cajon	28
113	UNI Institute	27
114	Costa Mesa	26
115	La Reina	25
	Van Nuys	25
117	Patrick Henry	21
118	Crescent Valley	20
	Franklin	20
	Santa Margarita	20
121	Artesia	18
122	Garden Grove	17
	Lakewood	17
	Rialto	17
	St John Bosco	17
126	Brentwood	15
	El Toro	15
	Miller	15
129	Beverly Hills	14
130	Beaumont	13
131	Sanger	12
132	Roubidoux	11
	Savanna	11
134	Kaiser	10
	Millikan	10
	St Lucy's	10

137	Laguna Hills	8	
	St. Margaret's	8	
139	Hemet	7	
140	Arcadia	6	
141	Central Union	5	
	Century	5	
	Edu4U Academy	5	
	Loara	5	
	Manual Arts	5	
	OC HS of the Arts	5	
	Pacific Hills	5	
	Pomona	5	
	San Pedro	5	
	Southern Ca. Christian	5	
	Sylmar	5	
152	Brea	0	Winner-- 1989
	Fullerton	0	Winner -- 2006
	La Costa Canyon	0	Winner--2004, 2012
	Temecula Valley	0	Winner-- 1996