



Semiahmoo House Society

Dear Coaches and Debaters

We are pleased to invite you to the 2014 **Semiahmoo House Debate Tournament** held at Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary School. This event is open to all students in the Lower Mainland and is a good opportunity for novice teams wishing to gain experience and also more experienced debaters preparing for the upcoming regional championships. Proceeds from this event will go to the Semiahmoo House Society, a local non profit organisation that provides services and support to people with developmental disabilities and their families.

Date: Friday January 17

Location: Lord Tweedsmuir Secondary School: 6151 180 Street, Surrey B.C.

Registration Fee: \$40/team

Judging Requirement: 1 judge for every 2 teams

Registration Deadline: Wednesday January 15

Tournament Information

The junior division will consist of debaters in grades 8-10 while the senior category is open to everyone. All 3 rounds will be impromptu and conducted in the Canadian National Debate Format with standard speaking times of 8 minutes. Juniors and seniors will debate different motions. Awards will be awarded to the top 3 speakers and top 3 teams in each division.

Dinner

Dinner will be provided for all debaters and judges. Please note any dietary restrictions during registration.

Registration

The registration deadline is January 15. For schools wishing to apply, please send an email to s.housedebate@gmail.com clearly stating the participants' names, division, and school along with the name of their judge and any dietary restrictions that may apply. There is **no team cap** and registration will be on a first come, first serve basis. The fee is \$40/team and can be paid by cash or cheque at the time of registration. Please make all cheques payable to the Semiahmoo House Society.

We look forward to seeing you at the tournament, and feel free to contact us should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Seyoung Jeon
Mariyam Muhammad
Tournament Directors

Schedule

3:00 – 3:45: Registration

4:00 – 4:15: Judges/Debaters Briefing

4:15 – 4:30: Topic 1 Released

4:30 – 5:30: Round 1

5:30 – 6:00: Dinner

6:00 – 6:15: Topic 2 Released

6:15 – 7:15: Round 2

7:15 – 7:30: Topic 3 Released

7:30 – 8:30: Round 3

8:30 – 9:00: Awards/Closing Ceremonies