

California Community College Forensics Association Tournament Invitation
Crowne Plaza Hotel Concord/Walnut Creek. March 12-16, 2014
Hosted by Solano Community College

January 25, 2014

On behalf of the California Community College Forensics Association, I am pleased to invite you and your forensics team to the 2013 California State Championship Speech Tournament. I'd like to draw your attention to a few CCCFA policies and/or recent changes:

- 1) Once an extemper receives their topic, they may not consult with any person other than the judge.
- 2) The tournament offers Parli L/D. This will be limited to four parli LD slots while retaining the six slot cap on LD overall.
- 3) The definition of "competent judges" has changed; basically, it now includes anyone with a bachelor's degree who has judged two previous college tournaments, or an undergraduate competitor with three years of experience who has not competed in 12 months.
- 4) All judges covering a commitment should understand that judges at CCCFA are not to disclose their decisions to competitors.
- 5) *Under no circumstances* shall a judge provide an oral critique before turning in his or her ballot. CCCFA has no policy with regard to private conversations that occur after the tournament day has concluded, as long as no disclosure occurs.
- 6) If you are not staying at the hotel, a \$250 fee will be assessed (per competition room owed) to ensure we have space for competition to take place.
- 7) We noticed last year that at tournament registration time, approximately 1 out of every 3 coaches forgot their Student Eligibility forms and had to go hunt for them...so, make a note to make your life easier.

We look forward to seeing you in Concord on March 12th. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at eric.fletcher@fresnocitycollege.edu

Sincerely,
Eric Fletcher, Fresno City College——Tournament Director/CCCFA President
Lucas Ochoa, Saddleback ——Vice President/Ombuds
Rolland Petrello, Moorpark College——Secretary/Treasurer

Hotel:

Alvin Gerard Cachaper

Front Office Manager

Crowne Plaza Concord / Walnut Creek

45 John Glenn Drive

Concord, CA 94520

(925) 825-7700 - Main

(925) 521-3779 - Direct

(925) 674-9567 - Fax

acachaper@cpconcord.com

In addition to the hotel information, you will find enclosed all of the information needed to enter your team in the tournament. For a complete description of tournament events, please refer to the current CCCFA Constitution and By-laws. If you do not have a copy, please visit <http://cccfa.net/> or contact the CCCFA Secretary-Treasurer, Rolland Petrello of Moorpark College at rpetrello@vcccd.edu

Dates and Deadlines

Friday, Feb 22nd: HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Wednesday March 12th through Sunday March 16th, 2014

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Wednesday, Feb 26nd: COMPETITION ROOM LIST

Email the names of students who will be staying in your competition rooms to acachaper@cpconcord.com

Once competition rooms are set by the tournament they may not be changed. In an effort to have all competition rooms on a convenient floor, these forms are critical to create a cleaning schedule and keep the tournament on time.

You owe 1 room for every 4 entries in your heaviest pattern. For example: if you have 5-8 entries in the heaviest pattern, you owe two rooms. If you have 9-12 in your heaviest pattern, you owe 3 rooms.

Thursday, Feb 27th: JUDGING ASSISTANCE REQUESTS

At 6:00 PM Judging Assistance requests are due to eric.fletcher@fresnocitycollege.edu. If sent in on time, you will be charged \$150.00 per slot in your heaviest conflict pattern. If late, or not turned in at all, you will be charged \$175.00 per slot in your heaviest conflict pattern. We would rather have your judges than have your money, but please let us know if you are unable to cover your commitment.

Wed, Mar 5th, 5:00 PM: ENTRIES DUE

Entries are due via forensicstournament.net. **No new entries will be allowed after this date.**

Mon, Mar 10th, 5:00 PM: DROP DEADLINE

No Hassle Entry Drop Deadline by 5:00 PM via forensicstournament.net. Email late drops, after the 12th, to blohman@occ.cccd.edu.

Wed, Mar 12th: Registration and Student Eligibility forms due

Bring the form to Tournament Registration; do not fax or email.

The form *must have the Registrar's Seal and cannot be a photocopy.*

**Students will not be allowed to compete
without this form verifying student
enrollment.**

In order for competitors to have the best experience it is tremendously important that the tournament and attending schools provide officially eligible and qualified judges. It is strongly encouraged that all schools review these requirements as stipulated by CCCFA. These can be accessed at <http://www.cccfa.net/>.

Commitments

Judging

You owe 6 rounds of judging for every Interpreter's Theatre entered.

You owe 3 rounds of judging for every debate team or LD debater you enter. You owe 3 rounds of judging for every 4 individual events in each pattern. All judges are committed through elimination rounds.

Fees:

School Fee: \$25.00

Individual Events: \$10.00

Duo Interpretation: \$20.00

L.D. Debate: \$12.00

Team Events: Parliamentary Debate, IT: \$35.00

Uncovered Judging with Notice: \$150.00 per slot Uncovered Judging without Notice: \$175.00 per slot Nuisance Fees*: \$10.00

First Time Missed Ballot: \$20.00

Subsequent Missed Ballots: \$50.00

TOTAL: \$

*Nuisance Fees are charged for each dropped event after 3/11/13 at 5:00 PM.

Tentative Schedule of Events

Wednesday 3/12/14

5:00-7:00 pm Registration (Posted Location)
8:00 pm Orientation for Hired Judges
8:00-10:00 pm Opening Reception for Faculty in Host's Suite

Thursday 3/13/14

7:30-8:00 am Late Registration
8:00 am A1: CA1, IT1, PARLI LD 1, NFA LD 1
9:45 am A2: CA2, IT2, PARLI LD 2, NFA LD 2
11:30 am C1 & D1: Pers, Impromptu, Duo, Drama, Info, POI
1:00 pm B1: Extemp draw, Prose, Poetry
1:30 pm B2: Extemp speak
2:30 pm E1: Parliamentary Team
4:00 pm B2: Extemp draw, Prose, Poetry
4:30 pm B2: Extemp speak
5:30 pm E2: Parliamentary Team

Friday, 3/14/14

8:00 am B3: Extemp draw, Prose, Poetry
8:30 am B3: Extemp speak
9:30 am A3: CA3, IT3, PARLI LD 3, NFA LD 3
11:15 am E3: Parliamentary Team
12:45 pm C2 & D2: Pers, Impromptu, Duo, Drama, Info, POI
2:15 pm A4: STE1, IT4, PARLI LD 4, NFA LD 4
4:00 pm E4: Parliamentary Team
5:30 pm C3 & D3: Pers, Impromptu, Duo, Drama, Info, POI
8:00 pm CCCFA Faculty Meeting/Reception
8:00-11:00 pm Student Event TBD

Saturday, 3/15/14

8:00 am E5: Parliamentary Team
9:30 am A5: STE 2, IT5, PARLI LD 5, NFA LD 5
11:45 am E6: Parliamentary Team
1:15 pm A6: STE 3, IT6, PARLI LD 6, NFA LD 6
2:45 pm Ballot Review for Patterns B, C, D, E, place TBA
3:15 pm E Elim #1: Parliamentary Team
4:15 pm Ballot review for Pattern A
4:45 pm C/D Finals: Pers, Impromptu, Duo, Drama, Info, POI
6:15 pm A Elim #1: CA Finals, IT Elim #1, PARLI LD Elim #1, NFA LD Elim #1
8:15 pm Ballot Review for Pattern A/E, place TBA
8:30 pm Remainder of Elim Participants Posted

Sunday, 3/16/14

8:00 am B Finals: Extemp draw, Prose, Poetry
8:30 am B Finals: Extemp speak – Clean out extemp files
9:30 am E Elim #2: Parliamentary Team
11:00 am A Elim #2: STE Finals, IT Elim #2, PARLI LD Elim #2, NFA LD Elim #2
1:30 pm Awards, place TBA

Patterns

Pattern A: IT, CA, STE, Parliamentary LD, NFA LD

Pattern B: Extemp, Prose, Poetry Pattern C: Duo, Persuasion, Impromptu Pattern D: POI, Drama, Informative Pattern E: Parliamentary Team

- **Entries limited to twelve (12) slots per pattern.**

- NFA LD & PARLI LD: Limited to 6 total entries (a max of 4 parli LD). Sweeps weighted 1.5.

- Pattern A: Limited to six (6) total team event entries and no more than a total of twelve (12).

- Pattern E: Limited to six (6) total team event entries.

- If a student is entered in five (5) events, one (1) event must be declared a “non-sweepstakes event” on the tournament entry in the “special issues that you need to clarify” section at the bottom of the web entry form.

Debate

Parliamentary Debate:

15 minutes of preparation after topic selection

7 minutes Prime Minister

8 minutes Leader of the Opposition

8 minutes Member of the Government

8 minutes Member of the Opposition

4 minutes Leader of the Opposition

5 minutes Prime Minister

Parliamentary Lincoln/Douglas Debate:

15 minutes of preparation after topic selection

7 minutes Government Constructive

9 minutes Opposition Constructive

5 minutes Government Rebuttal

6 minutes Opposition Rebuttal

3 minutes Government Rebuttal

Parliamentary Topics: Parliamentary Debate topics will alternate between metaphor, policy, and value resolutions. Three topics will be provided for each round. The Government team strikes one topic, then the Opposition team strikes a topic. The remaining topic is debated.

NFA LD:

6 minutes Affirmative Constructive

3 minutes Cross Examination

7 minutes Negative Constructive

3 minutes Cross Examination

6 minutes Affirmative Rebuttal

6 minutes Negative Rebuttal

3 minutes 2nd Affirmative Rebuttal

4 minutes preparation time throughout the round

2013-2014 Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially reform elementary and/or secondary education in the United States

Please visit <http://www.SoCal-LD.net>. Danny Cantrell provides great information and resources related to NFA LD.

Hotel and Competition Room Etiquette

- Be silent or whisper when walking in hallways, day or night, where sleeping rooms are present.
- No large parties in hotel rooms. Avoid bringing in large quantities of alcohol.
- Don't allow doors to slam; please close them quietly.
- Don't keep doors propped open, wandering from room to room throughout the night.
- Limit full volume practice sessions to the hours before 11 PM.
- For competition rooms, the judge is the first one in and the last one out.
- Students should NOT be let in to a competition room without a judge, even if they say it's their room.
- In competition rooms: don't touch people's stuff, don't open drawers/suitcases, and don't use their bathrooms.
- If you have the honor of hosting events in your hotel room (competition room), please make beds, put stuff away, and bring keys to ballot table ½ hour prior to the first round of the day.

Directions to the Hotel

- **Crowne Plaza Concord/Walnut Creek hotel directions from North:** From I-680 South, take the Concord Avenue/Pacheco exit left onto Contra Costa Blvd. Turn left onto Concord Avenue. Arrive at Crowne Plaza Concord/Walnut Creek on your left.
- **Crowne Plaza Concord/Walnut Creek hotel directions from South:** From I-680 North take the Concord Avenue/Burnett Avenue exit to left on Diamond Blvd. Then turn right onto Concord Avenue. Arrive at Crowne Plaza Concord/Walnut Creek on your left.

2014 CCCFA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT
STUDENT ELIGIBILITY FORM

PLEASE TYPE—MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 12, 2014 at registration

COLLEGE _____ COACH _____
HOME PH () OFFICE () FAX () _____
COLLEGE ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

In the space below, please list all students to be entered in any event in the CCCFA State Championship Tournament. The code number should match the code used in the entry form. Please list first and last names of each student.

CODE Student Name (first, last) CODE Student Name (first, last)

1	10
2	11
3	12
4	13
5	14
6	15
7	16
8	17
9	18

I certify that the (____) students listed above are enrolled in six (6) or more semester units or its equivalent at this college

Date College/Registrar's Seal& Signature