

## **LODGING:**

**TOURNAMENT HOTEL: Holiday Inn Express (Less than 10 min from campus)**, 1000 NW Graham, Troutdale, OR (503-492-2900). **Rates: \$69.00 + Tax** for up to 4 in a room. Please contact the Holiday Inn by Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> to get these rates. Tell them that you are getting rooms for the **MT. HOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE SAINTS INVITATIONAL DEBATE TOURNAMENT**. **If you have any questions, please ask for Betty! Please do so as soon as possible**

## **Other Nearby Hotels are:**

In Gresham, Pony Soldier Hotel (About 10-12 minutes from Campus) 503/665-1591

In Gresham, Days Inn Suites, 24124 Stark St. (About 5 min from Campus) (503) 465-1515

## **FOOD:**

Please know that our campus does have a food service that will be open until 1:30pm on Friday (We are working on keeping it open longer). On Saturday, unfortunately, you will be on your own. There is fast food within walking distance of campus (Jack in the Box, Quiznos, Albertsons) but there are other food places down the street on Stark Street.

## **STUDENT AREA:**

The area for students to congregate will be in the TOWN AND GOWN ROOM AND JAZZ CAFE. PLEASE inform your students that we need to keep that area as clean as possible. Please respect our facilities as if it were your own home.

# MHCC SAINTS INVITATIONAL SCHEDULE

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20:

12:00 Registration in the College Center  
1:00 Debate Rd 1 – Public, Public Forum (Ted Turner), and LDV  
2:45 Debate Rd 2  
4:30 Debate Rd 3  
6:15 Debate Rd 4

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21:

*CONFLICTS ARE ALLOWED IN PATTERN A & B*

7:15 Registration, judge check-in in the College Center  
**7:30 EXTEMP DRAW**  
8:00 PATTERN A, Rd 1 – DUO, HUMOROUS INTERP, SERIOUS INTERP, RADIO, EXTEMP, ESL  
8:00 PATTERN C, Rd 2 – STUDENT CONGRESS, 1st 4-HR SESSION (may **not** enter other events)  
9:00 PATTERN B, Rd 1 – PROSE, ORATORY, IMPROMPTU, EXPOSITORY, POETRY, ADS  
10:00 *EXTEMP DRAW 2*  
10:30 PATTERN A, Rd 2  
11:30 PATTERN B, Rd 2  
12:30 *EXTEMP DRAW 3*  
1:00 PATTERN A, Rd 3  
1:00 PATTERN C, 2nd 4-HR SESSION  
2:00 PATTERN B, Rd 3  
3:00 DEBATE SEMI-FINALS  
4:30 PATTERN A – FINALS (EXTEMP PREP 4:30, SPEAK 5:00)  
5:45 PATTERN B – FINALS  
7:00 AWARDS  
ASAP DEBATE FINALS (the 2 top teams will receive 12.5 sweepstakes points automatically)

There will be an informal coaches' meeting from 11:30 to 1:00 on Saturday; an OHSSL officer will be taking comments/suggestion to the formal Winter Coaches' Meeting at the U of O Tournament.

\*(DEBATE FINAL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING AWARDS)\*

Please enter team registration information at [www.forensicstournaments.net](http://www.forensicstournaments.net) by Tuesday, 5:00, Feb. 17

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Shannon Valdevia at 503-491-7634 or via e-mail at [valdivis@mhcc.edu](mailto:valdivis@mhcc.edu) , or Holly Lorincz at 503-686-1139, [hollyl@neahkahn.k12.or.us](mailto:hollyl@neahkahn.k12.or.us) .

## **IMPORTANT information regarding the MHCC Tournament:**

1. There will be LDV offered (using the NFI Jan/February 2008 topic), as well as Public and Public Forum (Ted Turner). All three debate events will have a Novice and Sr. division. Each school is limited to a total entry (regardless of division) of 6 public or public forums teams and 3 LD entries.

2. I.E. events will be Open Division only, no Novice. However, schools may enter as many students as they want into an event. This tournament is intended as a practice for State competition, which is Open Division only.

3. IE event Novices who break into finals will be denoted, and **top novices will win an award**, which is why we require division information on the reg.

4. ELL is NOT for foreign exchange students!!

This event was designed for students in beginning and intermediate ELL courses; hence, the title Lit Interp for Beginning and Intermediate. The students need to be enrolled in a course or, in the case of schools who don't offer separate ELL courses, they can be tested to identify them as Beginning or Intermediate; the ELPA and the IPT or two tests used by most schools. The Lit Interp for ELL ballot is available through the speech links in the OSAA web site ([www.osaa.org](http://www.osaa.org)) .

5. Student Congress (Oregon rules) will be Saturday only . . . those in SC will not be allowed to compete in other individual events. Competitors must bring 30 copies of their bills to each session.

**Prose Reading:** Contestants should read materials from published materials identified as prose. Contestants must read from a manuscript or the printed page. Frequent references must be made to the manuscript although memorization of some passages may occur. Contestants should keep both hands on the manuscript while standing primarily in one place and freely using facial, verbal and vocal expression, except during the introductions and transitions, which should be presented in an extemporaneous manner making use of appropriate gestures and physical movements. Time limit is 8 minutes with a 30-second grace period.

**Radio Commentary:** An original news commentary dealing with current events from this school year. No more than 75 words should be quoted material. The script is to be an analysis of the news, not simply a running synopsis of news. The script is to be read from a manuscript or printed page and not committed to memory. The script should be timed to end between 4:45 and 5:15 minutes. Note: Contestants will not be out of sight of the judges. A copy of the speech, including the bibliography, must be available if requested by the tournament director.

**Dual Interpretation:** Two contestants reading a 10 minute selection from published, printed novels, short stories, plays or narrative poetry. Materials may be humorous and/or serious. The material shall be memorized. Please remember, this is a contest for the interpretation of the material; it is not a contest in acting, though movement is acceptable. The 10 minute time limit, no grace period, includes appropriate original introduction and necessary transitions.

**Dramatic and Humorous Interpretation:** This is a single person event in which the speaker performs, memorized, a humorous or serious work for the audience. The time limit is 10 minutes.

**Interpretation for ESL Beginners:** Contestants will speak no more than five (5) minutes with a 30 second period of grace including the introduction and the reading. Time signals will be given at the speaker's request. Each reader shall appropriately introduce the reading. Introductions should be memorized or delivered extemporaneously. The materials shall be cuttings from published, printed short stories, novels, poems, or scripts.

**Student Congress:** An event in which a group of students get together and discuss relevant Bills or Resolutions. The "Bills" are presented by the people in the congress. You can choose to debate them on the affirmative or the negative. Time limit is 3 minutes per speech, including the authorship speech. Students must bring 30 copies of their bills for distribution.

## EVENT PATTERNS

PATTERN A: DUO, HUMOROUS INTERP, SERIOUS INTERP, RADIO, EXTEMP, ESL (*Saturday only*)

PATTERN B: PROSE, ORATORY, IMPROMPTU, EXPOSITORY, POETRY, ADS (*Saturday only*)

PATTERN C: Student Congress (*Saturday only*)

DEBATE PATTERN: Public, LDV Debate (\*), Ted Turner (Public Forum) (*Friday and Saturday*)

\* LDV will only happen if we get more than 8 entries into the tournament, using the NFL Jan/February 2009 topic.

## DEBATE and INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

All events at this tournament will follow Oregon Schools Activities Association (OSAA) times, descriptions and rules, which can be found at [www.osaa.org/speech](http://www.osaa.org/speech) or in the on-line Speech Handbook on [www.ohssl.com](http://www.ohssl.com). This tournament will be using the new state ballots, which can also be found at these websites.

The LDV topic will be the NFL 2009 Jan/Feb topic.

## INDIVIDUAL EVENT DESCRIPTIONS

**Expository Speaking:** An original speech designed to inform. No notes or manuscripts are allowed. Visual aids may be used to supplement the exposition. Time limit is 8 minutes with a 30-second grace period. No more than 100 words may be quoted material. A copy of the speech, including the bibliography, must be available if requested by the tournament director.

**After-Dinner Speaking:** An original speech designed to entertain. The speech should have an undertone of seriousness. The speech should not be a series of unrelated jokes, a skit or vaudeville performance, acted out or dependent upon impersonation, although character suggestions and use of dialect in telling jokes or stories is permissible. Humor must always be in good taste. Offensive humor and materials shall not be permitted. Time limit is 6 minutes with a 30-second grace period. No notes are permitted and no promptings are allowed during the delivery of the speech. A copy of the speech including the bibliography must be available if requested by the tournament director.

**Poetry Reading:** Contestants should read poems which are related to and organized around a central theme. No fewer than 3 poems or cuttings from 3 poems are to be used. Each poem should be appropriately introduced. Contestants must read from a manuscript or the printed page. Frequent references must be made to the manuscript although memorization of same passages may occur. Introductions should be memorized or delivered extemporaneously. Limited gestures are permitted. Time limit is 8 minutes with a 30-second grace period.

**Extemporaneous Speaking:** One half-hour before speaking, each contestant will draw 3 topics, one of which will be chosen by the speaker. Topics will be based on current events from the past 3 months. Contestants may use books, magazines, or notes during the preparation period, but may not confer with any other person about the topic. A maximum of 7 minutes will be allowed for each speech with a 30-second grace period. Limited notes are permitted during delivery.

**Oratory:** An original speech designed to persuade. No more than 150 words should be quoted material. No notes or promptings are allowed. Time limit is 10 minutes with no grace period. A copy of the speech, including the bibliography, must be available if requested by the tournament director.

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**ENTRY DEADLINE : Tuesday, February 17, 5:00 p.m.**

IN ORDER TO REGISTER, PLEASE GO THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE:

[www.forensicstournament.net](http://www.forensicstournament.net)

Once you have the site open, you will need to immediately create a LOGIN and PASSWORD for your school (write it down for later). Then, click on *MHCC Tournament* in the first paragraph. From there, you will be able to enter debate teams, IE entries (including partner info), Congress entries, and judge names. Once entered, the summary tab will show your entries and your bill.

\*In order to be assured a team slot at this tournament, you need to have your initial team registration entered by **TUESDAY, 5:00 PM, FEBRUARY 17.**

\* You can return to this site at any time, using your login/pass, and make adds or drops, until:

**THURSDAY, 2:00 PM, FEB. 19.** No adds will be allowed after this time, but you may email Holly Lorincz with any drops or questions at [hollyl@neahkahn.k12.or.us](mailto:hollyl@neahkahn.k12.or.us).

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### Judging:

We are relying on all teams to **BRING JUDGES** to cover their entries.

**One judge covers 6 IE's, OR 2 debate teams. Uncovered debate teams will be \$35.00**

### Fees:

School Fee: \$25

Ted Turner Teams: \$12 each

LD Entry: \$12 each

Public Teams: \$12 each

IE Entries: \$5 each

IE slots not covered: \$8 each, Debate not covered: \$35

**REMINDER!!!!** Entry fees and hired judging fees will be assessed on your entry as it stands at 2:00 pm on Thursday. Please report entry changes by then!

# MHCC Saints High School Invitational

## February 20-21, 2009

### Mt. Hood Community College, Gresham, Oregon

On behalf of Mt. Hood Community College Forensics Team, I would like to invite you to the Mt. Hood Community College Saints Invitational. The importance of Forensics is widely acknowledged by the faculty, coaching staff and students who participate in the activity at the community college level. We are taking this opportunity to build bridges between our two communities through the sponsorship of this tournament to provide a service to those who work so hard to achieve excellence at this activity. We will be offering a full-service tournament including 10 individual events, Student Congress, and Public, LD-V, and Ted Turner debate.

In this time of funding instability, we are lowering our fees to assist teams who may be finding themselves with very tight budgets. In order for us to do this, we are asking all teams to make sure they **bring judges** to cover their entries as we may not be able to hire as many judges to help cover you. We would rather have your judges than your uncovered judging fees!

We will also feature the presentation of the Michael Ramon Padilla Top Speaker Award. The recipient of this award will be the student who has earned the most sweepstakes points for their team. This award is named after Michael Ramon Padilla who was a colleague of mine from Clark College and Portland State University. Ramon was an exceptional speaker known for his leadership and impressive demonstration of sportsmanship.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 503-491-7634 or via e-mail at [valdivis@mhcc.edu](mailto:valdivis@mhcc.edu) , or Holly Lorincz at 503-686-1139, [hollyl@neahkahn.k12.or.us](mailto:hollyl@neahkahn.k12.or.us) .

We look forward to welcoming you to our campus for a weekend of great competition!

Sincerely,

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