



University of Central Mo Mini-Mule

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Dear Speech and Debate Coach and Squad,

The University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg, Missouri cordially invites you to our 1st UCM Mini-Mule to be held on December 2nd & 3rd, 2022. The novice portion of this tournament will be held at William Chrisman, if you have any questions in regards to that tournament please contact Shelia Holt at shelia_holt@idschools.org. IN CASE OF BAD WEATHER, THE UCM TOURNAMENT WILL NOT BE RESCHEDULED.

Our tournament will provide VARSITY COMPETITION ONLY in the following Individual Events: Original Oratory, U.S. Extemp, International Extemp, Student Congress, Duo Interp, Dramatic Interp, Humorous Interp, Prose, Storytelling, Program of Oral Interp (varsity only), and Informative Speaking, Improv Duet Acting, and Radio Speaking. Debate competition will be in Varsity CX, Junior Varsity CX, Varsity Lincoln-Douglas, Junior Varsity Lincoln-Douglas, Varsity Public Forum, Junior Varsity Public Forum. Please read inside for all the information. Students may enter two individual events and debate. The Mini Mule will also offer NIETOC bids in the following events as entry numbers allow: HI, DI, DUO, OO, POI, United States Extemp, and International Extemp. The 2023 NIETOC will be held in Chanhassen, Minnesota the 3rd weekend of May. All other information concerning NIETOC can be found at www.NIETOC.com.

Each school must be accompanied by a coach or qualified sponsor who may need to meet judging assignments.

Our university is allowing us to use the dining halls to feed students. There will be a cash fee for this totaling \$9.00 per student, but it is all you can eat, buffet style. There are salads, sandwiches, homestyle meals, taco bar, burgers, pasta, and desserts. We will send out a form for you to give us a headcount of students who would like to eat, that way we can warn our dining hall ahead of time. This fee is not required, but an opportunity for worry free food!

Entries will be a flat fee of \$8.00 per entry. Our entry deadline is Monday, November 21st, 2022 on Forensictournament.net. At this time we cannot accept more than 3 entries per event per school. We are very hopeful that we will be allowed to accept everything. Extra entries, if desired, should be noted in the entry and will be released on a first come first serve basis. Should you have any questions, please call the Tournament Director Sydney Crank (660-281-8187) or the Tournament Chairs Evan Kirksey (417-612-2547) or Lexi Winterbower (573-721-3714). We hope you can help us celebrate our return to hosting high school tournaments!!!

General Rules:

1. A student may enter two individual events and debate. Debaters may not enter multiple debate styles and extempers may not enter both Foreign and U.S. divisions.
2. Coaches may be used as judges in rounds where alternative judges cannot be found
3. Trophies will be awarded to the top six places in Individual Events, and the top four in Debate.
4. No refunds for cancellations will be made after November 30, 2022.
5. There is a campus regulation against smoking. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the contestant being eliminated from competition.
6. No playing of guitars or music without the use of headphones.
7. Laptops may be used following MSHSAA and NFL guidelines.
8. Any student entering Improv Duet Acting CANNOT be entered in debate as these events are running concurrently.

Individual Events Rules:

1. US and International Extemp: Topics will be current events on national and international issues. Time limit will be 7 minutes.
2. Original Oratory: The speech must be written by the student. It must be memorized. Time limit is 10 minutes. Not more than 150 words may be direct quotations.
3. Humorous and Dramatic Interp: Selections must be memorized and possess literary merit. Time limit is 10 minutes.
4. Duo Interp: Must be memorized. Selections may be from any appropriate novel, play, or short story. An introduction must be provided. Time limit-10 minutes. Students must have offstage focus. (May not be from recorded material.)
5. Prose Interp: Must be performed using performance binder. Selections may not be from plays. Prose interp may only include 50% dialogue. Time limit-8 minutes.
6. Student Congress: **Advancing to Semifinals** will be determined by: Ranks, reciprocals, total points. **Finalists** will be determined by Semi ranks, judges preference, reciprocals, Semi points, prelim ranks, prelim reciprocals, prelim points.
7. Storytelling: Must perform a published and copyrighted story of the students choice, originally for children. Use no costumes or properties of any type. Have the story well enough in mind to share it adequately with the intended audience. The introduction to the selection may be given in a standing or seated position; title(s) and author(s) of all selections must be identified.
8. Program Oral Interp: A program of Prose, Poetry and Drama, up to ten minutes in length using at least two out of the three genres. No props or costumes may be used except for the manuscript.
9. Informative: Students deliver a memorized, self-written, ten-minute speech on a topic of their choosing. All topics must be informative in nature. Visual aids are permitted.
10. Radio Speaking: This event is prerecorded. Students will prepare and present a script which contains news, weather, and sports. Use copy no more than 24 hours old - as of the Tournament's first round - to prepare the script. Use no commercials. Not portray multiple characters. The speaking time shall be five (5) minutes. Due to the nature of the event, there is no grace period given to this event.
11. Improv Duet Acting: Students will begin round by drawing three scenarios choosing one to prepare for competition. Scenes should be no longer than 5 minutes with a 2 minute prep time, totaling 7 minutes. Props are allowed. **DEBATE STUDENTS MAY NOT ENTER IDA AS THEY ARE RUNNING CONCURRENTLY.**

Cross-Examination Debate:

1. Novice will be defined as any student in his/her first year of any competition.
2. Time limits will be 8-3-5 with 5 minutes prep time.
3. All teams must remain constant in personnel throughout the tournament.
4. The resolution for debate will be the NFL national topic.
5. A team more than 10 minutes late to a round shall forfeit, unless it is the fault of the tournament.
6. Since debate is oral communication, evidence shall be presented in an understandable fashion. Judges will be instructed to refrain from reading any evidence after the round unless the truth of the evidence or its misinterpretation has been challenged by the opposing team in that round.
7. In case of a forfeit, the winning team will receive speaker rankings of 1-2 and the opposition record will be averaged. Byes will be tabulated as a win with 1-2 speaker rankings; the opposition record will be averaged.
8. At the end of preliminaries the eight top teams in each division will advance to quarterfinals. Win/loss, speaker rankings, record of opponent lost to, total opposition record, opposition speaker ranks (in that order) will be used to break ties.
9. All teams must consist of two people unless given permission by the tournament director.

Lincoln Douglas Debate:

1. Novice is defined as any student in his/her first year of any competition.
2. Rounds will be run at the same time as cross-ex debate, so two L-D rounds will be held during one cross-ex debate.
3. The topic shall be the NFL January/February topic.
4. In case of forfeit, the opposition record will be averaged. The opposition record for byes will be averaged.
5. Qualification for quarter-finals will be based on win-loss record; record of opponent lost to; total opposition record; and total opposition to the opposition.

Public Forum Debate

1. The topic will be the NSDA December topic.
2. In case of forfeit, the opposition record will be averaged. The opposition record for byes will be averaged.
3. At the end of preliminaries the eight top teams in each division will advance to quarterfinals. Win/loss, speaker rankings, record of opponent lost to, total opposition record, opposition speaker ranks (in that order) will be used to break ties.

Sweepstakes Rules:

1. Sweepstakes points in debate will be awarded as follows:
 - Debate win-----5 points
 - Qualifying for quarters-----15 points
2. Sweepstakes points in IEs will be awarded as follows:
 - Semifinals-----5 points
 - Finals-----10 points
 - Third place-----5 points
 - Second Place-----10 points
 - First place-----15 points
3. Sweepstakes will be awarded to the THREE BEST ENTRIES

Mini-Mule TOURNAMENT TIME SCHEDULE

University of Central Missouri

Friday, December 2, 2022

1:30-2:00-Registration in the Student Union Atrium (Student Campus Tour)

PLEASE KEEP ALL STUDENTS EXCEPT EXTEMP IN THE Union UNTIL 3:00 P.M.

EXTEMP DRAW WILL BE IN the Union Auditorium

2:30--Round 1 Extemp Draw

3:00--Round 1 Individual Events

4:00--Round 2 Extemp Draw

4:30--Round 2 Individual Events

5:30-6:15--Dinner Break (Todd and Ellis Dining halls can be accessed throughout the evening.)

6:30--Round 1 Debate/IDA

8:00--Round 2 Debate/IDA

Saturday, December 3, 2022

9:00--Semifinals Extemp Draw

9:30--Semifinals of Individual Events

11:00--Round 3 Debate/Finals IDA

12:30--Round 4 Debate (Lunch Break Interp)

1:45--Extemp Draw for Finals of Individual Events (Lunch Break Debate)

2:15--Finals Individual Events

3:30--Quarterfinals Debate

5:30--Awards Assembly in Auditorium

Immediately after Awards--Semi Finals Debate

Immediately after Semi Finals--Finals Debate

