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Columbia Falls Invitational Speech, Debate, & Drama Tournament

Dear Coaches:

You are cordially invited to attend the Columbia Falls Invitational Speech/Debate/Drama Tournament on Saturday, November 17, 2018.

Entry Deadline: Initial registration must be completed online no later than **November 5, 2018 by 5:00 pm** at <https://forensicstournament.net/columbiafalls/18> . After Nov 5 the Forensic Tournament site will be set to no new schools. Additions will be closed on Nov 8. Drops will be closed on Nov 15 (Thursday) so that we may begin sectioning events and finalize rooms and judges. Drops after this time should go to Tara Norick at tnorick@gmail.com.

Entries: Teams are guaranteed 3 entries per event. I anticipate that this will be a large meet and we are limited by space. I will use every room in the buildings to allow as many competitors as possible to attend, but JV spots are not guaranteed. I will notify you of the status of your JV entries on Nov 12 or earlier.

Entry Fees: Entry fee will be \$5.00 per competitor in each event registered as of Nov 8 plus a \$10 team fee. All registration will be online and check-in will take place through email. Drop fee of \$20 on the day of the tournament.

Rules: MHSA rules for State Class A Competitions will be followed. Debate topics are as indicated in the MHSA Handbook. Debate rounds 1 and 2 will be pre-paired and rounds 3-4 will be paired based on the previous round. Comment Sheets may be printed on small (8.5 x 11) paper.

Registration: Registration will be handled online. You will be emailed your entry sheets with codes, maps, and other information on Friday. Please check your registration carefully and notify me immediately of any changes. Invoices will be emailed following the tournament.

PLEASE CALL OR TEXT IN ANY CHANGES FROM THE BUS TO TARA NORICK AT (406) 249-6177. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE VOICEMAIL.

Shuttle between Schools: Columbia Falls will provide a shuttle for coaches to go between schools or into town if needed so bus drivers can have the time off during the tournament.

Concessions: There will be a food truck at each school. Meals will be provided for all coaches and drivers.

Tournament Conduct: We ask that students use designated common areas between rounds, keep out of the hallways during competitions, remain quiet during passing from room to room during rounds, and

respect the facilities and tournament supervisors. Remind students not to write on Smart Boards or touch any computer equipment in the classrooms.

Tournament Schedule: Rounds will be at Columbia Falls High School (Speech) and Columbia Falls Junior High (Debate and Drama).

<u>Round</u>	<u>Speech/Drama</u>	<u>Extemp Draw</u>	<u>Debate</u>
1	8:30 am	8:00 am	8:00 am
2	10:00 am	9:30 am	10:00 am
3	11:30 pm	11:00 am	12:00 pm
4	1:00 pm	12:30 pm	2:00 pm
Finals	3:00 pm	2:30 pm	3:30 pm

Awards – Scheduled for 6:00 pm in the Junior High gym.

QUESTIONS: Please direct all questions to: Tara Norick, Tournament Director, Head Coach, Columbia Falls High School. Phone: 249-6177. **Email:** tnorick@gmail.com