**Falcon First Tournament**

**\*a beard-friendly tournament since, like, 20 years ago**

The Clearfield High School Speech and Debate Team would like to invite you to the first **Novice/Open** tournament of the season to be held on **Thursday, October 4fthsp**.

**Definition of a novice competitor:** For the purpose of this competition, a novice competitor is someone who has never competed in a debate tournament in a prior year.

**Definition of an “Open” Competitor**: Anyone else. If you competed in a tournament, ever, that’s you. Novices can compete in the Open class, however the Open-class competitors may not compete at a Novice level.

Definition of a **Tournament:** a gathering of a group of close-by schools to have a friendly, first-of-the-year/break-in-your-novices, friendly affair involving some speeches, some debates, good food, and some rad trophies. This is a 3 round tournament due to it being a weeknight.

**NOVICE EVENTS:**

**Congress**

**Extemporaneous Speaking** (National and Foreign probably will be combined based on number of entries)

**Impromptu**

**Public Forum**

**LD**

**Open EVENTS:**

**Congress**

**Extemporaneous Speaking** (National and Foreign may be combined based on number of entries)

**Impromptu**

**Oratory**

**Public Forum**

**LD**

**POI \*(pending 6+ competitors)**

**Informative \*(pending 6+ competitors)**

**Note:**

**Double entries allowed in speech events only that allow it (e.g. Extemp and Impromptu), NOT allowed for debaters/Congress students. No double-Extemp entries. Novice students are welcome to compete in any open event.**

**Food: We’ll have Big Sai’s cater if I can. They do Hawaiian/Polynesian. Most likely we’ll have pulled pork, chicken or another animal-entrée, as well as macaroni salad and assorted beverages and snacks. I like to feed people well and also not break any budgets. Dinner should run about $4-5 and should be filling, delicious, and not Little Caesar’s.**

**Also, make sure, since this will be a hybrid tournament, that you have your judges register with Tabroom.com ahead of time. We want to try to push for mostly electronic ballots if we can.**

**Congress –** We will be using the legislation found on the UDCA website (listed at the end). Orders of the day will be amended soon-like to allow for sponsorship speeches and to make fun of Weber.

**Public Forum –** We will be using the September/October topic.

 **Resolved: The United States should accede to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea without reservations.**

**Lincoln-Douglas –** September/October Topic (we will be using the varsity topic only):

 **Resolved: In the United States, reporters ought to have the right to protect the identity of confidential sources.**

**Awards:** 1st-3rd in every event. Novice students will be awarded 1st-6th in novice events.

**Judges:** You will need to provide one judge for every six competitors in Individual Events (Extemp, Impromptu, Oratory, etc.), one for every four entries in Debate Events (Public Forum, LD), and one for every eight participants in Congress. We will allow Varsity students to judge, provided that they constitute no more than half of your judging pool, since we want a good mix of feedback for all competitors. We’re gonna try a hybrid ballot system with online and paper ballots, so please try to get judges on Tabroom.com.

**Schedule is as follows:**

**Registration: 2:45-3:00 Library**

**Judges Meeting: 3:00-3:30 Library**

**Draw: 3:30**

**Congress: 3:30-5:15 Session #1**

 **5:45-7:00 Session #2**

**All other events: 3:30-5:00 Round #1**

 **5:00-5:25 Dinner/Training**

 **5:30-7:00 Round #2**

 **7:00-8:30 Round #3**

**Concessions will be available in the cafeteria from 5:00-7:30.**

**Egress: 8:30(ish) if the stars align.**

**I realize that some of you will be traveling some distance; however, we MUST start the tournament on time—no exceptions.**

**Entry Details:**

Please let me know by Thursday, September 27fthif you plan on attending. Final entries must be on Tabroom by Wed Oct. 3der.

Please bring a check made to Clearfield High Debate for your entry fees:

$15.00 school fee and $4.000000000 per student entry.

*In trying to keep the tournament fun, we encourage students to list a pseudonym for themselves if they’d like to, and by which we’ll read off any awards and accolades.*

I prefer registration by Tabroom, but I’m keeping all this old-school mess for those of us who like the oldschool to sign up. Please feel free to e-mail or call me with any concerns/questions.

You can contact me at: lorharris@dsdmail.net, or him at lacarter@dsdmail.net the school at (801) 402-8200, or my cell at (801) 317-7720.

**Falcon First Tournament**

**School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Coach: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Novice Competitors:**

**Novice Impromptu**

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**Novice Extemporaneous Speaking (specify preference: I’ll try not to collapse these to one category, if so, it’ll be 2 NX questions and 1 FX)**

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**Nov. Congress (yes, there are 10 spots)**

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**Novice L-Dizzle**

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**Novice Public Forum**

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**Open Competitors:**

**Impromptu**

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**Extemporaneous Speaking (specify whether National or Foreign and I’ll only collapse these if needed)**

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**Oratory**

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**Informative**

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**Congress (yes, there are 10 spots)**

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**Public Forum**

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**Falcon First Docket**

All pieces of legislation can be found on the UDCA website at <http://www.utahdebatecoaches.org/Students/congress-legislation>. We’ll be debating roughly the first 4 topics in the first session and the second set in the second session. Sessions will run the full two hours each.

Sesh 1:

-A bill to regulate pharmaceutical drugs.

-A resolution to allow a pathway to citizenship…

-A resolution to limit civil asset forfeiture.

-A bill to reimplement the affordable care act’s spending…

-A bill to decrease trade with ~~Gyna~~. China.

-A resolution to help Rohingya by funding Bangladesh.

2nd verse, same as the first:

-A bill to establish the trans-Indian partnership…

-A bill to ban the importation of selling slave-made products…

-A resolution to convert the U.S. to a single-payer…

-A bill to enact extensive immigration reform

-A resolution to ensure the right to be forgotten ~~be forgotten~~.

-A resolution to leave the U.N.

**Extemp topics** will be pulled from current events, privately.

**Impromptu topics** will be theme-based, possibly funny at times, but mostly just awesome.

**Awards: they’ll be sweet. We also keep an award handy for the best-behaved/cleanest school. It cannot be the host school, so tell your students to bring their manners and take home phat lewtz.**