

Electric City Uptown Optimists Invitational
Hosted at Great Falls, MT
December 13th and 14th

Dear Colleagues:

You are invited to attend the Electric City Uptown Optimists Invitational to be held on the 13th and 14th of December. We will be utilizing Tabroom.com for registration at <http://electriccitytournament.tabroom.com>. For this tournament, there will be a limit of 42 entries per varsity team and a ten-entry cap on JV teams. As has been prior practice for this year, do not register JV teams, separately. At this point, we are offering novice divisions of LD and Policy debate as well as octo-final rounds, but that may change as we assess the needs of the tournament and availability of judges. At this point, we are planning on LD, PF, and policy debate being held at North Middle School and speech and legislative debate being held at C.M. Russell High School.

Registration Information:

- 📅 Initial registration due by Wednesday, November 26th at 4:00PM.
- 📅 Additions and event changes to registration due by Wednesday, December 4th at 4:00PM.
- 📅 Drops and name changes will be allowed on Tabroom.com until Friday, December 13th at 9AM. After that time, please email me.
- 📅 Do not register JV teams separately. Just add them on and send an email by December 13th at 9AM as to which entries count as JV for sweeps purposes.
- 📅 At this point, we are planning on offering novice divisions of LD and Policy debate, but that may change as registration warrants. Same goes for octo-final rounds of debate.

Fees:

- 📅 There will be no on-site registration. All double-checking and changes will be done by coaches via Tabroom.com and, after 8 AM on Dec. 14th, via email. Codes should be provided in tabroom.
- 📅 There will be a \$5.00 fee assessed per entry. Partner events count as two entries.
- 📅 There will be no fees for drops, adds, or changes up to Wednesday, Jan. 9th. Only drops or changes (not additions) of events for existing competitors are allowed after Wednesday at 6 PM. Drops will be assessed a \$5.00 penalty. Submit late changes via email.

Logistics:

- 📁 Concessions will be available on Saturday at CMR at the girls basketball games happening in the Fieldhouse. Cards will be handed out with your invoices when you arrive so students will be identified as being able to access concessions, but not watch the games.
- 📁 At this time, concessions will not be available at North, but the school is a short walk away from the Walmart/Subway. I did float the idea that a student group from the middle school should host a table with at least snacks to the principal, so that may change.
- 📁 Rounds one and two will be pre-paired in order to expedite rounds on Friday night – or at least that will be the intent of pre-pairing those rounds in the new frontier for Tabroom 😊
- 📁 Tell your students that food cannot leave the cafeteria if they have rounds scheduled at North. A student, there, has a severe food allergy, and food needs to stay in designated areas at North. In this case, it will be the hospitality room for judges and coaches and the cafeteria for students. We also insist that students, between rounds, stay in and keep personal items not related to competition in the cafeteria if they have rounds at North.

Topics:

Policy: Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially reduce Direct Commercial Sales and/or Foreign Military Sales of arms from the United States.

Lincoln/Douglas: Resolved: The United States ought to eliminate subsidies for fossil fuels.

Public Forum: Resolved: The benefits of the United States federal government's use of offensive cyber operations outweigh the harms.

Schedule of Events

Friday, 13 December:

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| 3:30 PM | Extemp Draw for Round I in room 326 |
| 4:00 PM | Round I begins for all competitors |
| 6:00 PM | Round II for all |
| 8:00 PM | Round III for all |

Saturday, 14 December:

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| 8:00 AM | Extemp Draw for Round IV, Round IV Debate |
| 8:30 AM | Round IV Speech |
| 10:00 AM | Round V Debate |
| 10:30AM | Round V Speech |
| 12:00 PM | Octofinals for Debate |
| 1:00 PM | Finals/Semifinals for Speech |
| 2:00 PM | Quarterfinals for Debate |

3:00 PM Finals for Speech

4:00 PM Semifinals for Debate

6:00 PM Finals for Debate

8:00 PM Awards Ceremony begins in the Auxiliary Gym at CMR (Depending on elim
 rounds of debate, this may occur earlier).

Students gather in the CMR and North Middle School Cafeterias

Extemp draw in room 326

Tab room in the STEM Center.