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September 15, 2021

Dear Debate Coaches,

You and your debaters are cordially invited to the annual Salina Central Mustang Invitational Debate Tournament on October 2nd. **Our tournament will have Open, JV, and Novice divisions. THIS IS A ONE-DAY TOURNAMENT FOR ALL DIVISIONS.**

The entry fee will be \$6. Currently, we will allow 4 entries per team. Depending on interest and space, we will be able to allow more. Any additional entries will be waitlisted on Tabroom. Entry deadline will be Monday, Sept 27th. I am still working through setting up Tabroom and am hoping to have the registration open by Friday, September 17th.

At this time, we will be using community pool judges, but as always, bringing judges is welcome. Please plan accordingly.

Lunch: A meal deal will be offered for lunch. Details will be provided as the day approaches.

We will offer a concession stand for the duration of the tournament. The location is TBA at this time.

We look forward to seeing you on October 2nd!

Sincerely,

Amanda Tackett
Salina Central Debate Coach

Jessica Nekuda
Salina Central Assistant Debate Coach

Tournament Rules and Regulations

1. All teams will be debating this year's resolution – Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its protection of water resources in the United States.
2. Novice - 1st year in debate; JV - 1st or 2nd year in debate; Open - any year in debate
Novices will be restricted to the Kansas Novice Packet.
 - You may not cut your own evidence, even if it is extrapolation from the original source. Only the text in these files can be used.
 - You cannot change the plan texts. Topicality arguments and pre-tournament prep are based on the plans provided here.
 - You can reorganize cards in whatever way you want to. If you like extension evidence more than what is provided in the 1AC, fine.
 - You may rehighlight, retag, reunderline evidence. But you may not add or subtract any words/context from the evidence that is included. You can condense and shrink cards, etc. But we should all be playing with the same evidence
 - Let me know if you have any other questions. Here is a link:
 - <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1QbtWR1vju-CBhut-NKT-mhooKuYJQmw2?usp=sharing>
3. All debates will use the standard 8-3-5 cross-examination format with **8 minutes prep time per team per round.**
4. We follow KSHSAA's rules. Ask for clarification.
5. The first 2 rounds will be preset. All following rounds will be power matched.
6. Cancellations will result in rescheduling, substitution of host teams, or byes.
8. Teams more than 10 min. late to any round without the fault of the tournament may forfeit that round on a 7.
9. Registration fees will be \$6.00 per team. Entry deadline is one week prior to the tournament date. Entries received after this time may be accepted at the host's discretion. **Fees will be forfeited in case of cancellation after the entry deadline, which is the Monday the week of the tournament.**
10. Coaches and/or sponsors will be required to stand by for judging.
11. Sweeps will be calculated based on each school's best four entries with at least 1 team in each division
12. Medals will be awarded to the top 6 teams in each division.
13. As of right now, our building does not have guest wi-fi, so please plan accordingly. I will update you as information changes.

COVID Regulations

1. Everything in this invitation, including this page, is subject to change anytime at the discretion of our coach, building administration, or district. We will communicate all updates via email to registered schools.
2. Per current Salina Public School District mitigation guidelines, all who wish to enter a Salina Public School building must wear a mask which properly covers nose and mouth at all times when not actively eating or drinking. This includes times when a student is presenting a speech for judges.
3. It is the stance of the Salina Central debate program that the appropriate accommodation for students who require a mask exemption is to compete in virtual debate tournaments. Please do not bring students (or adults) who expect to be permitted to remove their mask while indoors.
4. Anyone who has tested positive, has been instructed by their county health department to quarantine, or who is exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 should not enter our building. We will waive the entry fees of anyone who has to drop the tournament as a result of late-breaking quarantines or symptoms.
5. Each team will be assigned an area within the cafeteria. It is expected that teams report to the assigned area between rounds/lunch. We request that you remain masked in this area unless eating. Team comingling is discouraged. If necessary instead, each school will be assigned a classroom to be used as a central meeting space and hangout throughout. Final instructions will be emailed the week of the tournament.
6. Food is only permitted in the common, and/or designated classrooms for each school. Food should not be consumed during a debate or in other locations not listed above. Individuals who require accommodation due to 504 plans or other individual needs should notify the tournament director prior to the tournament.
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8. Hospitality will be served in the Culinary room for coaches/judges and may be eaten in the ground level of the library or cafeteria.
9. Concessions will be served from a location to be determined. We do plan to offer an affordable lunch deal on Saturday for those wanting to participate.
10. Only coaches are allowed in the Tab Room. All help in the Tab Room is appreciated. Please remain masked.
11. We desperately hope that we do not need to pivot to a virtual tournament. However, if we are required to do so, we will make that determination no later than Monday, September 27, at 5:00 PM. After that point, if we are unexpectedly unable to host in person, the tournament will be cancelled.

Schedule – Saturday, October 2nd

7:15 Registration

8:00 Round 1

9:30 Round 2

11:00 Round 3

12:30 LUNCH

1:15 Round 4

2:45 Round 5