FGCCFL Tournament Invitation FGCCFL All Events 6 Riverview High School 1 Ram Way Sarasota, FL 34231 941-923-1484

Saturday, 18 January 2025 Registration 7:15 – 7:45 AM Host Coach: Brian Sikkenga, (616) 551-6042 Brandon.Sikkenga@SarasotaCountySchools.net

Events: All NCFL Events. No double entries. No more than SIX entries per event, except Student Congress. No more than TWELVE entries in Student Congress. Lincoln-Douglas will use the January/February 2025 LD topic (NOT the novice topic). Public Forum will use the January 2025 PF topic. Policy Debate will use the 2024-2025 NFHS Policy topic. The league is also offering Program Oral Interpretation (POI) and Informative Speaking (INFO) as a courtesy to those students who plan to enter these events in the Florida Sunshine District tournament in February. They are both NSDA events and are not FGCCFL/NCFL events. Specific rules for each can be found in the High School Unified Manual on the NSDA website on pages 55-57. It is extremely important that students, coaches, and judges are familiar with the rules. POI and OI are completely different events.

Cost: \$30.00 per competitor including host/lunch fee PLUS an additional \$10.00 lunch fee for each judge. Fees can be paid via PayPal <@payfgccfl>, check for the full amount (payable to FGCCFL), or cash. All fees must be paid in full by the tournament's fourth round. Late payments are no longer accepted.

Food: The campus is closed (FGCCFL rule). No one may leave campus for lunch, and no one may have lunch delivered during tournaments. Lunches are automatically ordered for students and judges as part of registration; ONE complimentary lunch will be provided to each school for the head coach. Lunch will be boxed Subway sub meals (6-inch turkey, ham, or veggie sub, chips, cookie and lemonade, iced tea, or water). Coaches are responsible for placing lunch orders in Tabroom for all participants.

Judging requirements: One (1) judge for every five (5) IE and Congress entries combined; schools with Congress entries must designate at least one Congress Scorer. One (1) judge for every two (2) LD and PFD entries combined; LD and PFD judges must be cross-trained. One (1) judge for each Policy entry. COACHES: Do not count yourself in your judge quota as we must be able to use you where needed! All coaches should be prepared to serve as a Parliamentarian, supervise Extemp Prep, or judge if needed during the fourth round. Judges should be cross-trained in all events. Remember to list conflicts (by STUDENT FULL NAME) in the "Judge Notes" space on Tabroom. Coaches are prohibited from registering themselves as judges to fulfill quotas.

Electronic balloting: All events at this tournament will use Tabroom for electronic ballots. Judges must have a linked Tabroom account and provide a suitable connected device (laptop or tablet). Paper ballots will be available in the event of an equipment outage.

REGISTRATION FOR THE TOURNAMENT:

Go to http://fgccfl6.tabroom.com/>. Be sure to register for the correct tournament. Registration must be submitted online by the school's coach only. Registration will not be accepted once registration is closed or by any other means other than Tabroom unless directed to do so. Pay attention to your school registration for students, judges in correct pools, and total lunch orders. Tabroom registration will close at noon on the Monday before the tournament. Please have registration confirmed before registering the team on Tabroom. The registration deadline for this tournament is January 9, 2025.

Coaches must set up their team and judge rosters on Tabroom before attempting to register. All students and judges must set up their individual Tabroom accounts.

TITLE REQUIREMENT FOR IE: Selection titles, authors, and publication information (where applicable) **must** be specified for all entries in OO, Dec, DP, OI, and Duo. For OI, please list the two program titles (separated by a slash) in the Title field, then list all included works in the Bibliography field. POI requires all titles used for the presentation. INFO requires a title.

Drops may be made online until 9 PM on Monday of tournament week. All other changes made after the close of registration, but before tournament day, must be reported to Jym Froelich by email at <<u>James.Froelich@sarasotacountyschools.net</u>>, and Josh Schneider at <<u>josh@fgccfl.net</u>>. Schools will forfeit registration fees for all drops made after the close of online registration on the Thursday before tournament week.

Please note: The Executive Committee will levy additional tournament fees of \$25.00 for any dropped entry on the tournament day including drops after the first round begins, and for each registered but missing judge.

Tournament Day Registration: 7:15 – 7:45

Only the team Head Coach or Assistant Coach should proceed through the registration line. Coaches should have invoice and registration forms printed from Tabroom and correct fees in check/large bills or paid online via the website.

Head Coaches or Assistant Coaches should register in the media center. Competitors will report to the cafeteria. Judges will report to the judges' lounge in the media center. Please bring a copy of registration from Tabroom and a check payable to FGCCFL (or cash), or a PayPal receipt from the League website.

Schools MUST be registered no later than 7:45 AM. Announcements for students and judges will begin at 8:00 AM. Rounds should begin by 8:30 AM.

CONGRESS RULES:

Each school registering Student Congress entries MUST provide at least one (1) piece of satisfactory legislation. Schools may submit up to six (6) items, but no student may sponsor more than one (1) item. Congress entries will be waitlisted until at least one (1) item of legislation from the school has been submitted and approved.

All legislation must be written using the templates on the FGCCFL website or on Tabroom and uploaded to Tabroom by the registration deadline (9:00 PM on the **Thursday before tournament week**). Late, frivolous, stale, or unsatisfactory legislation will not be considered. The legislative docket and chamber assignments will be published by 8:00 PM on Friday evening, January 10.

RECOMMENDED: Coaches may email legislation to Josh Schneider < <u>josh@fgccfl.net</u>> for review; allow 48 hours for a response. This is NOT a substitute for uploading the legislation to Tabroom.

Here are the directions from I-75 to Riverview High School in Sarasota:

- 1. Head South on I-75.
- 2. Take Exit 205 for Clark Road/FL-72.
- 3. Turn Right onto Clark Road/FL-72 West.
- 4. Continue Straight on Clark Road for about 5 miles.
- 5. Turn Left onto Swift Road.
- 6. After 1 mile, turn Right onto Lords Avenue.
- 7. Continue onto Riverview Blvd; the high school will be on your right.