

2026 UH College Tournament Invitation

Hello Colleagues,

The UH Honors Debate Program is excited to invite you to our campus for our 2026 “Regular Season” college tournament. We have kept things largely the same from years previous, except for a slight entry fee increase and the removal of the online hybrid model.

The tournament will start on SATURDAY October 10th and run through MONDAY October 12th.

We will be using the 2026 CEDA College Topic:

“Resolved: The United States Federal Government should substantially reduce arms transfers from the United States to one or more of the following:

- the Federal Republic of Nigeria
- Japan
- the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- the Republic of China
- the Republic of the Philippines
- the State of Israel
- Ukraine
- United Mexican States.”

We will follow 9-6-3 speech times and have the standard 10 minute prep time for each side. We will have a full Novice, JV, and Varsity division.

We will follow CEDA guidelines on harassment, Novice and JV eligibility, and other tournament practices. If you have questions about this please ask them before the tournament.

If you have questions about the tournament please contact:

Rob – RobGlassDebate -at- gmail.com

Or Kevon Houghton – Khaughto@central.uh.edu

Best,

Rob Glass

Lodging

We have secured a rate of \$104/night for rooms at the Houston Marriott South at Hobby Airport. The last day to book rooms is October 2nd. The link to use:

https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__app.marriott.com_resview2-3Fid-3D1788877901059-26key-3DGRP-26app-3Dresvlink&d=DwMFaQ&c=euGZstcaTDllvimEN8b7jXrwqOf-v5A_Cdp gnVfiiMM&r=DBXdeTE2UtRxFkJRioJd9571Yuive8BiwC9b0Kiw8JUPVxksNQSCDh51JJZeLwOU&m=rhMJekI4VAqSKhl7m_m1qS2eEBgJrS5iD3aUqhIOIOqXwzIm6FfUyRA_1kXgEJ6l&s=KqA4c1carf75qfKhuGd48dK9tJulFQWFClr2kwcwmo0&e=

We will be using the Hotel for Elim day, so please plan accordingly.

Judging

Please bring 3 rounds of judging per team entered. Judges should be familiar with College Debate and feel comfortable rendering a decision and explaining it in a reasonable amount of time.

Every judge is expected to be available through the first elimination round on MONDAY the 12th. Judges that need to leave early should let Tabroom know AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

We will not allow online judging to cover in-person entries.

If you need judging please let us know with at least TWO WEEKS notice, judging is tight in the Houston region. Schools without judging will be charged \$200 per half judge commitment.

Fees

We will charge \$70 per person in attendance, including all competitors, judges, observers, etc.

Programs in their first two years of Policy Style debate or programs facing significant budget shortfalls may ask for fee waivers, and we will provide them as best we can.

Schedule

Saturday October 10th – ON CAMPUS

8:30 – Breakfast snacks served

8:45 – Round 1 + 2 Pairings Released

9:15 – Round 1 Start Time

11:15 – Lunch Served

11:45 – Round 1 Decision Time

12:15 – Round 2 Start Time

2:45 – Round 2 Decision Time

3:00 – Round 3 Pairing Released

3:30 – Round 3 Start Time

5:30 – Dinner Server

6:15 – Round 3 Decision Time

6:30 – Round 4 Pairing Released

7:00 – Round 4 Start Time

Sunday October 11th – On Campus

8:30 – Breakfast snacks served

8:45 – Round 5 Pairings Released

9:15 – Round 5 Start Time

11:30 – Lunch Served

11:45 – Round 5 Decision Time

12:15 – Round 6 Pairings Released

12:45 – Round 6 Start Time

3:00 – Round 6 Decision Time

3:45 – First Elim Pairings Released

4:15 – First Elim Start Time

7:45 – Elim Decision Time

NO DINNER, TEAMS ARE ON THEIR OWN FOR FOOD

Monday October 12th – At the Tournament Hotel

8:15 – Panels + Pairings Released

9:00 – Second Elim Start time

12:00 – Awards

Rounds continue until Finals