

MOUNT CARMEL ACADEMY SPEECH & DEBATE TEAM

October 13, 2015

Dear Coaches,

The Mount Carmel Academy Speech and Debate Team is pleased to invite you and your team to compete in our annual tournament the MCA Speech Safari, November 13th and 14th, 2015. We will be offering the following events: Declamation, Extemporaneous Speaking, Impromptu Speaking, Original Oratory, Oral Interpretation, Dramatic Performance, Humorous Performance, Duo Reading, Duet Acting, Novice Lincoln Douglas Debate, Advance Lincoln Douglas Debate, Public Forum Debate (open division), and Congress.

Registration is located on tabroom.com. Schools entering debate, duet acting, and duo reading will register on Friday in the Performing Arts Center located immediately inside the front gates. Saturday registration will take place directly above the auditorium in the IMC computer lab. Parking is available in the front horse-shoe and in the parking lot. Enter the parking lot from Louisville Street.

The deadline for entries is Monday, November 9, 2015. The last day to add or drop entries without a fee will be Wednesday, November 11, 2015.

We look forward to having you and your team join us in an exciting weekend of competition and memories. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions regarding entries, accommodations or directions.

Sincerely,

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Alison Petrie, Speech Coach – apetrie@mcacubs.org

Kristen Schaeffer, Debate Coach - kschaeffer@mcacubs.org

Mary Tellier, Coach – mtellier@mcacubs.org

***DEADLINES:**

ENTRY DUE:	November 9 th
LAST DAY TO DROP WITHOUT FEE:	November 11 th
LAST DAY TO ADD:	November 11 th

***IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:**

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Kristi Jacobs-Stanley Cell:	504-319-1056
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***E-MAIL:**

Entries/Questions: kjacobs@mcacubs.org

***ENTRY LIMITS:**

SPEECH: Students may enter up to 3 individual events.
DEBATE: One debate category only.

***TIME LIMITS:**

We will follow the new LHSSL rules.

***JUDGING REQUIREMENTS:**

DEBATE: 1 judge for every 3 entries or fraction thereof.

I.E, DUO/DUET: 1 judge for every 5 entries or fraction thereof.

Each school MUST provide the required number of judges. Names must accompany your entry. If a school cannot provide the required number of judges, your entry may be adjusted. The providing of community judges is greatly appreciated.

Judges are expected to check in with the ballot table prior to each round. Schools are asked to remain available for judging at least ONE round beyond their elimination. Schools failing to pick up assigned ballots may be fined for each ballot not picked up. Your diligence in picking up ballots helps the tournament run smoothly and on schedule.

AWARDS:

Trophies shall be awarded to the students placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in all individual events and 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th in team events. Coaches will be notified of state qualifications based upon the state rules regarding the number of participants in each event.

FEES:

\$ 6.00 FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL EVENT, AND LD

\$12.00 FOR EACH TEAM EVENT (DUO/DUET, AND PF)

FOOD:

Competitors may purchase food throughout the tournament from members of our speech team in the cafeteria. Judges will be served in the judges lounge.

EVENT RULES:

1. Please see the NCFL and LHSSL constitutions in addition to the new coaches manual for complete rules governing each of the events offered.
2. We will use the November/December LD resolution, the November PF resolution, and the November Congress docket. Congress bills can be found on the lhssl website.
3. Please note that binders will be used for OI and DUO READING as regulated by the Louisiana High School Speech League.
4. Lap tops will be allowed in extemp prep, but users must follow league rules.

***We pride ourselves on the efficiency of our tournament. Your assistance in having your judges pick up their ballots on time, your students getting to their rounds on time, and your prompt arrival at registration will help greatly enhance your tournament experience and will be appreciated.**

SANCTIONING:

This tournament is sanctioned by the New Orleans Catholic Forensic League and the Louisiana High School Speech League.

SWEEPSTAKES POINTS:

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	Finalists
DUO/DUET	50	35	20	10
I.E./CONGRESS	35	25	15	5
LD	35	25	15	
PF	50	35	20	

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TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, November 13, 2015

3:30	REGISTRATION I (PAC)
4:00	DUO / Duet RD 1
4:00	Debate, RD 1
5:30	DUO / Duet RD 2
5:00	Debate, RD 2
6:30	Debate, RD 3
7:30	Debate, RD 4 AND DUO/Duet Semi Finals

SATURDAY, November 14, 2015

7:30	REGISTRATION II (IMC-Computer lab) EXTEMP DRAW: LIBRARY
8:00	I.E. Events, RD 1
9:00	EXTEMP DRAW, RD II
9:30	I.E. Events, RD 2
11:00	DUO/DUET Finals Debate Quarter Finals
12:15	EXTEMP DRAW, RD III
12:45	I.E. Events Semi Finals
2:00	Congress Registration
2:30	Debate, Semi Finals
2:30	Congress
4:00	Debate AND I.E. Finals
6:00	AWARDS

*Start times may be moved up if tournament runs ahead of schedule