

The Princeton Classic Invitational High School Speech and Debate Tournament

Hosted by the Princeton Debate Panel

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Dear Coaches and Competitors,

On behalf of the American Whig-Cliosophic Society and the Princeton Debate Panel, it is our pleasure to invite you to the 14th annual Princeton Classic Invitational High School Speech & Debate Tournament. The tournament will be held from Friday, December 3rd to Sunday, December 5th, 2010.

The 2010 Princeton Classic will combine Princeton's tradition of excellence in debate with the opportunity for high school students and coaches to compete amongst the nation's best debaters and orators. Last year our tournament was the biggest ever with over 800 participants from 69 schools.

This year's tournament will consist of competition in 7 preliminary rounds of Varsity and 6 preliminary rounds of Novice Lincoln-Douglas Debate, 6 rounds in Public Forum Debate, and Congressional Debate. A bid to the Tournament of Champions in Lexington, Kentucky will be offered to all octa-finalists in Public Forum Debate, and all finalists in LD.

In addition, the Classic will offer six speech events including Extemporaneous Speaking and Oral Interpretation of Literature. Extemporaneous speaking will have 5 preliminary rounds with a bid to Northwestern's prestigious Extemp ToC at the first break round. We are also proud to announce that the Classic will be a bid tournament to the National Individual Events Tournament of Champions in Texas this year.

This year's tournament again boasts an outstanding Tab staff. Joining us will be Chris Palmer of Newton South (MA) as Tab Director, Jim Menick of Hendrick Hudson (NY) and Joe Vaughan of Scarsdale (NY) in LD Tab, Brother John McGrory of Chaminade (NY), Dario Camara of Christopher Columbus (FL), and Carol Cecil of G. Holmes Braddock (FL) in Public Forum, Jonathan Chavez of Newton South in Speech, and Bill Cooper of Manchester-Essex (MA) in Congressional Debate. We're also particularly proud of our Extemp finals panel, which will include 5 NFL national finalists, as well as champions of NFL Nationals, the Montgomery Bell Academy Round Robin, and the Glenbrooks.

If you have any questions, please email us at <u>princetonclassic2010@gmail.com</u> or visit http://princeton.tabroom.com. We hope your school year and forensics season are off to a great start, and look forward to seeing you all in New Jersey in December!

Sincerely, Matt Arons, David Chen, & Taman Narayan Tournament Directors