



THE DEEP SOUTH DEBATE TOURNAMENT

Friday and Saturday, December 1-2, 2017

Colleagues,

On behalf of the Mississippi College (MC) Debate Team and the MC Department of Communication, it is my privilege to extend an invitation to you and your debate team to attend the **Annual Mississippi College Deep South Debate Tournament** on December 1-2, 2017.

Hosted on the Mississippi College campus, the tournament will feature the four divisions of International Public Debate. The MC Debate Team and Communication Department faculty look forward to offering a well-run, enjoyable tournament

This tournament is in a centrally located, easily accessible location. Furthermore, it provides the advantage of ending on Saturday evening thereby allowing plenty of time to return to your campus early. Since the tournament is at the end of the semester an early return from the tournament may be useful for your debaters. So, come and enjoy some good ole southern hospitality.

Because MC is a small school, the tournament will follow the Championship Tournament practice of **REQUIRING one judge** from every school for every four competitors. Not following this rule may hinder our ability to have a draw of objective judges from which to select. However, we will do our best to provide as many "outside" judges as possible.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me by phone or e-mail. We look forward to seeing you.

All the Best,

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TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Friday, December 1, 2017

1:30	Registration/Judges' Training
2:00	Draw Round 1
3:45	Draw Round 2
5:30	Dinner Break
6:30	Draw Round 3
8:15	Draw Round 4

Saturday, December 2, 2017

8:00	Draw Round 5
9:45	Draw Round 6
11:30	Coaches Review
12:00	Octo-finals
1:45	Awards / Breaks
2:15	Quarterfinals
3:30	Semifinals
4:45	Finals

HOTEL INFORMATION (The following hotels are conveniently located near the university.)

[Days Inn Clinton](#)

482 Springridge Road, I-20 & Springridge Exit 36,
Clinton, MS 39056 US

[Comfort Inn & Suites](#)

5010 Hampstead Blvd, Clinton, MS, US, 39056
Phone: (601) 925-8250; Fax: (601) 925-8406

[Best Western](#)

102 Clinton Loop Drive US Clinton, Mississippi, 39056-5661
Phone: 601/926-4323

[Econo Lodge \(MS044\)](#)

103 Clinton Center Dr., Clinton, MS, US, 39056
Phone: (601) 924-9364; Fax: (601) 924-2174

[Quality Inn \(MS176\)](#)

103 Johnston Place, Clinton, MS, US, 39056
Phone: (601) 924-0064; Fax: (601) 924-7141

Holiday Inn Express

495 Springridge Road
Clinton, Mississippi 39056
Phone: 601-708-0400; Hotel Fax: 601-708-0401

Hampton Inn Jackson/Clinton

493 Springridge Road
Clinton, Mississippi, 39056,
Phone: 601-925-9393

TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

All the rules guiding the International Public Debate Association apply to the MC Deep South Debate Tournament. Time limits will be 5-2-6-2-3-5-3. There will be four divisions of debate: Novice, Junior Varsity, Varsity and Professional. Please check with the IPDA constitution for eligibility requirements.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

If approaching Clinton from the East on I-20, take exit 35, Springridge Road, north. Go through two lights (one at the McDonald's, one at Walgreen's). Take a left at the next light, East College Street. Go straight ahead at the four way stop and then turn right onto Jefferson Street. Aven Hall will be to your left and Self Hall to the right. The ballot table is in Self-Hall.

If approaching Clinton from the West on I20 take exit 36, Clinton Raymond Road. At the end of the ramp turn left go straight through the next two lights. At the stop sign by the tennis courts turn right onto West College Street proceed through the next four way stop and turn left onto Jefferson Street. Aven Hall will be to your left and Self Hall to the right. The ballot table is in Self Hall.

You may drop off your team on Jefferson Street. The tournament table is in Self Hall. The best place to park on Friday afternoon will be behind Aven Hall, in the commuter lot across from Hederman Hall, underneath the building directly behind Hederman Hall, and the First Baptist Church of Clinton off Monroe Street.

SWEEPSTAKES AND AWARDS

Sweepstakes will follow the season-long sweepstakes formula: All wins and byes will be awarded 1 point. Each person breaking to out-rounds will receive 1 point. Out-round victories will receive 2 points. Novice, Varsity and Professional will count toward the tournament sweepstakes. There is no limit on entries, but only the top four competitors in each division will count toward the sweepstakes. There will be speaker awards for the top 5 competitors, awards for all octofinalists-finalists in each division, and sweepstakes trophies for the top 3 programs.

ENTRY DEADLINES, FEES, AND JUDGES

The entry **deadline will be 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 28th**. Changes will be accepted at no charge until 4:30 pm on Wednesday, November 29th. Any drops or changes after that date will be charged a processing fee of \$10.00. Fees for each individual entry are \$25.00. A judge must cover all entries. Each judge covers four slots. All schools will be required to judge one round past their highest finisher.

Competitors who do not advance may be used as judges in out-rounds.

ENTRY FORM

Please supply the following information when emailing your entry:

School:

Coach:

Address:

Office Phone:

Coach's cell:

Coach's Email:

Judges (Name of judges) (ALL entries must be covered; 1 judge covers 4 entries)

Novice Division (Names of competitors)

Junior Varsity Division (Names of competitors)

Varsity Division (Names of competitors)

Professional Division (Names of competitors)

Fees:

_____ Competitors slots@ \$25 each = _____ (Make Checks Payable To: MC Debate Team)

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