**Newport High School Speech and Debate is excited to extend to one and all an open invitation to the 4th Annual Newport WinterKnight Forensics Invitational**!!!

**Venue**

For the first time, the WinterKnight Invitational will be held **AT Newport High School**. We thank your friends at UW Seattle, UW Bothell, and Bellevue College for the opportunity to utilize their campuses during the first three years until we could negotiate the use of our home facility.

**Events**

We offer a full slate of events as follows:

* Debate Events: CX (Policy), LD, PF, and Congress
* WIAA/WSFA State Individual Events: DI, DUO, EXTEMP, EXPOS, HI, IR, IMP, OO
* Fun Supplemental Events: SPAR, EDCOMM, Tall Tales, and introducing the fastest event in Forensics: “Negotiation”.

**Debate Notes:**

1. Debate will have two divisions in each event: Novice and Open. Congress is the exception… it will only have 1 division.
2. All debate events have 4 guaranteed rounds of debate, with all entries finishing 3-1 (Byes count as wins) or better advancing to out rounds.
3. Debate entries may be seeded at the coaches’ discretion. Teams opting not to seed their debate entries will have a random seed drawn for each entry. The seeding will never be revealed to any students at any time.
4. Pairing for round 1 will be power protected by seeding. Round 2 will be power match paired based on Round 1 results. Likewise Round 3 paired power matching on Round 1 & 2. And so-on.
5. The advantage of seeding your entries is to protect them against other high seeds early in the tournament.
6. Teams from the same school are NOT protected, though it would be a last resort that same school entries would hit one another.
7. We will NOT break brackets for the out rounds.

**Supplemental Events - For those not advancing to out-rounds, we offer the following events:**

* SPAR (Spontaneous Argumentation): a fun event where debaters argue over a topic presented in round. The topics will be fun/trivial. Evidence is not required. The audience and judges get to question the debaters (as well as the debaters questioning one another). A more detailed event sheet will be sent out as tournament time approaches.
* Tall Tales: A spontaneous storytelling event. The student is given a prompt (the opening line of a story) and 3 random elements (nouns) to incorporate into the story. The objective is to tell the most outrageous, unbelievable, and wild story. Characterization not required. Creativity is rewarded.
* Negotiation: If a student hasn’t pre-registered for SPAR or TT, they may come over to the negotiation tables and try the fastest event in Forensics. No fee for this event. Competitors will face off against single opponents 3 times per round. Given a scenario, they will negotiate a solution, trying to reach agreement in the 2-minute window. Top negotiators advance to the next round until we have only 2 left. No limit to the number of entrants. More info to come.

**Registration**: Our registration is on ForensicsTournament.net – Look for the Newport WKI 2014 link.

**Schedule**

(Please try to stay off the campus prior to 3:00pm on Friday. If you do come early, please stay out of the classroom wings as classes are in session until 3:00)

Friday, February 14, 2014

3:00pm Registration

3:30pm Congress Session I

4:00pm Round I Debate

6:00pm Round II Debate

6:30pm Congress Session II

7:45pm Round III Debate (LD & PF Only, Single-flighted if possible)

Saturday, February 15, 2014

7:00am Registration (IE Only Teams)

7:30am Round I IE

9:00am Round III CX, Round IV LD/PF, Super Congress Session I

10:30am Round II IE

12:00pm Round IV CX, Break Round I & II LD & PF, Super Congress Session II

2:00pm Round III IE

3:30pm Round I Supplementals, CX Outround, Break Rounds III and IV LD & PF

4:30pm Round II Supplementals, Negotiation Rounds I-III, IE Finals

5:30pm Supplemental Finals, Neg. Semis/Finals, CX Outround if needed, Break Round V LD/PF

6:30pm Awards

**Awards**

Awesome trophies will be presented to debaters advancing beyond Round IV, IE entries reaching the finals, and the Super Congress participants.

Medallions will be awarded to those advancing to the finals of Supplemental events

**Key locations**

* Judges Lounge: Library (2nd floor of the classroom wing)
* Tab Room/Ballot Return: 1st floor corridor (look for signs)
* Student Hangout: Commons… the Commons run the entire length of the school North-to-South. Tables and power are limited. Students are not permitted to homestead in the South wing Corridors or in the Music Wing (signs will be posted). Homesteading in the Classroom wing (North end of the building) is permitted as long as proper respect is paid to the competitors in round. Lecture Hall 2202 will be open to homesteading if we run out of room (It seats 100 kids comfortably).
* Extemp Prep: Lecture Hall 2201 (up the theater steps from the commons)
* Competition Rooms will be primarily located
* Supplemental Event check-in will be at a table in the Commons starting after Round 4 debate.

**Concessions**

 Limited food selections will be available from the Student Store in the Commons (Sandwiches, Pizza, Snack items, Drinks). Factoria Mall is a 10-minute walk (2-minute drive) North from campus for a more diverse food selection. Food for judges is provided by the parents of the NHS Forensics Team

**Topics**

We will use the February 2014 topics as announced at [www.speechanddebate.org](http://www.speechanddebate.org). Congress will use the Spring Legislation packet found at www.wiaa.com.

**Judge Obligations**

Teams must provide a judge for every 2 CX teams, 3 LD entries, or 3 PF teams. One judge can also cover up to 6 IE entries (one student/DUO team entering 2 events is 2 entries). Congress teams must provide one judge to cover their entry. No additional judge requirement is needed for Supplemental events, provided teams have met their other judge obligations. We have no judges available for hire.

**Fees:**

**NO SCHOOL/TEAM FEE – We charge by the entry.**

$10 per IE entry (DUO, DI, HI, OO, EXTEMP, IMP, EXPOS, IR). A 2-person DUO team is one entry.

$15 per LD/PF debate entry.

$20 per CX entry.

$10 per Congress entry.

$5 to pre-register for supplementals… refunded if the student fails to check-in or advances to outrounds in Debate. (Fees are applied once a student checks in at the Supplementals table)

$10 per missed round per judge. (Note on Judge Fees: Rounds are pre-assigned TO THE SCHOOL – You tell me how many judges you’re bringing. They register in the judge lounge. Schools failing to take an assigned ballot will be fined $10. If you say you have 2 judges available, I’ll assign you 2 ballots)

NOTE: Judges who take pushed ballots will earn a $10 credit for their team. It is possible to bring enough extra judges that your entry fees are completely covered. It is possible to make money for your team by bringing extra judges to cover pushes. Teams bringing more judges than needed can be rewarded in this way. This has worked great the last 2 years.

**Travel Directions**

Address: 4333 Factoria Blvd. SE, Bellevue, WA 98006 (Just southeast of the intersection of I-405 and I-90).

From the North: Take I-405 South to the Coal Creek Exit (Exit 10). Turn left at the light onto Coal Creek Blvd. and cross under I-405. After about ½ mile, turn left at Factoria Blvd. School is ¼ mile North on the left.

From the South: Take I-405 North to Coal Creek Exit (Exit 10). Turn right at the light onto Coal Creek Blvd. After about ½ mile, turn left at Factoria Blvd. School is ¼ mile North on the left.

From the East: Take I-90 West to I-405 South. Take I-405 South to the Coal Creek Exit (Exit 10). Turn left at the light onto Coal Creek Blvd. and cross under I-405. After about ½ mile, turn left at Factoria Blvd. School is ¼ mile North on the left.

From the West: Take I-90 East to the Factoria Blvd/Richards Rd. Exit (Exit 10 – It is past the I-405 interchange). Turn right onto Factoria from the offramp. The school is 5 blocks South on the right (1 block past the Mall).

BUSES ARE ADVISED TO AVOID ENTERING THE EAST PARKING LOT (THE EAST LOTS ARE ON THE UPHILL SIDE OF THE SCHOOL – THIS WILL BE OBVIOUS ON ARRIVAL) … THERE IS NOT SUFFICIENT ROOM TO TURN AROUND. We recommend bus drop off in the West (Teacher/Staff) parking lot between the Football stadium and the Baseball complex.