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Friends,

On behalf of the Lewis & Clark College Pioneers, Oregon Beta Chapter of PKD, I cordially invite you and your forensics squad to participate in the 2013 Steve Hunt Classic. This year's tournament will take place on the picturesque Lewis & Clark campus, **October 10-12, 2014**. It will serve as the first Designated tournament for the Northwest Forensics Conference. It is almost certainly the most comprehensive forensics invitational in the nation, as we will be hosting four formats of debate as well as individual events. This year's tournament will also be a preview for the 2015 National Individual Events Tournament, which will be held on the L&C campus in April. For this reason, we have added a swing component with our friends from Mount Hood Community College.

Competition will be held in the following events:

- All eleven AFA-NIET events (3 preliminary rounds)
- NPDA style debate (6 preliminary rounds)
- IPDA style debate (6 preliminary rounds)
- British Parliamentary style debate (5 preliminary rounds)
- Policy debate (6 preliminary rounds)

We will provide coffee, tea, juice and light fare for breakfast all three days of the tournament; food service will be open on Friday and Saturday for purchase of lunch at the Trail Room.

While I cannot guarantee you beautiful weather, as it is Portland in October, I can guarantee you a great weekend of competition and community. I look forward to hosting you. Please let me know of any questions you might have or if you need any additional information.

On behalf of the Pioneers,

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REGISTRATION

All entries will be accepted using the forensicstournament.net website. Please use that site as a resource not only for entering the tournament but also for making changes to your entry and finding important tournament announcements.

Entry Deadline: Monday, October 6 at 11:00 pm (Pacific). Additional entries will not be accepted after this deadline.

Drop Deadline: Wednesday, October 8 at 1:00 pm (Pacific). After this deadline, fees will be calculated and drops will be charged full entry fees.

Please use the following guidelines to determine appropriate divisions for your students:

Novice - Students in the novice division are in their first full year of collegiate forensics. They have not advanced to elimination rounds more than three times in their respective event.

Coaches should refrain from placing students with significant high school experience in novice divisions.

Junior - Students in junior division are in their first or second year of collegiate competition. They have not advanced to elimination rounds more than three times in their respective event.

Senior - Open to all students meeting national eligibility requirements of their respective event.

Divisions may be collapsed based upon entries; NFC guidelines will determine whether an event is collapsed or not. The tournament director reserves the right to reassign divisions to any student who is improperly placed in a novice or junior division.

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

AFA-NIET rules will govern the individual events competition. Information and event descriptions can be found at <http://www.mnsu.edu/cmst/niet/eventdescriptions-new09-10.htm>.

Students may triple enter within a pattern of individual events, with the exception of those students competing in duo interpretation and extemporaneous speaking. Students competing in extemp may double enter in pattern A; students competing in duo may double enter in pattern B. **Students are responsible for making it to every round that they are scheduled for. Students who are triple-entered and fail to make it to a scheduled round will not be allowed to make up the competition.**

PLEASE NOTE: NFC rules differ from NIET rules on the use of wireless internet during preparation time for extemporaneous speaking. There will, therefore, be four divisions of extemp- novice, junior & senior NFC extemp which will allow for wireless use, and also NIET extemp which will utilize NIET rules. Preparation rooms will be separated. **Only students entered in the NIET division will be eligible to earn legs toward NIET qualification.**

We will not hold final rounds in events with fewer than nine (9) competitors.

Conflict patterns:

Pattern A: EXT (N, J, S, NIET), PER (N, J, S), DI (N, S), POI (S), ADS (S), POE (N, S)

Pattern B: IMP (N, J, S), INF (N, J, S), CA (S), DUO (S), PRO (N, J, S)

DEBATE

NPDA Debate

We will offer three divisions of parliamentary debate: novice, junior and senior. We will use NPDA rules (available at <http://www.parlidebate.org/npda-rules/>.)

No topic areas will be utilized for this year's Steve Hunt Classic. Topics will be centrally announced, and teams will have twenty (20) minutes from the time of the announcement until the time that the PMC must start.

We will break all 4-2 or better teams to elimination rounds, with ties broken on W/L, high/low speaker points, then total speaker points. Brackets **will** be broken in elimination rounds. A number of strikes will be available for teams to submit on Wednesday, October 9; they will be due by 5:00 PM Friday, October 10 in order to be considered for the first two preliminary rounds.

IPDA Debate

We will offer IPDA debate in three divisions, novice, junior and senior. IPDA debate will use rules as presented in the IPDA constitution, which can be found at <http://www.ipdadebate.info/constitution-bylaws.html>. We will use the 5-2-6-2-3-5-3 format with thirty (30) minutes of preparation time. Debaters will be presented with five resolutions; each debater will be allowed to strike two resolutions, thus leaving one resolution to be debated.

We will break all 4-2 or better debaters to elimination rounds, with ties broken on W/L, high/low speaker points, then total speaker points. Brackets **will** be broken in elimination rounds.

Please note that due to room availability, we will need to flight IPDA debate.

BP Debate

We will offer one division of British Parliamentary debate, with a novice breakout final round offered to students who do not advance to elimination rounds in the main division. Coaches are responsible for notifying the tabulation room of any students who are eligible for breakout rounds.

The BP division will utilize WUDC guidelines, which can be found at <http://flynn.debating.net/Sydrules.htm> with a 7-7-7-7-7-7-7 format and twenty (20) minutes of preparation. The topics will be centrally announced. Each team will have an opportunity to debate in each of the positions, and may debate teams from their own school.

We will utilize two judges in each round. We encourage consensus judging, but given our schedule, we must insist that decisions be made in a timely fashion. If a decision has not been reached after fifteen (15) minutes after the conclusion of the debate, the chair's ballot will be considered binding.

Elimination rounds will be determined by entries. Consistent with community norms, we anticipate 10-15 percent of the field will advance to elimination rounds.

Policy Debate

We will offer one division of policy debate, with a novice breakout final round offered to students who do not advance to elimination rounds in the main division. Coaches are responsible for notifying the tabulation room of any students who are eligible for breakout rounds.

All debates will occur on the 2014-15 CEDA resolution:

Resolved: The United States should legalize ALL OR NEARLY ALL of one or more of the following in the United States: marihuana, online gambling, physician-assisted suicide, prostitution, the sale of human organs.

All debates will operate under 9-3-6 time limits. Participating teams and schools are expected to contribute to <http://opencaselist.paperlessdebate.com/> and should provide their most recent affirmative and negative information by the Tuesday before the tournament at latest.

All rounds must be decided within 150 minutes of the posted start time of the debate.

We will utilize a categorical mutual preference system. The exact nature of the categorical system will depend on entry numbers, but an A-B-C-X system is expected.

SWEEPSTAKES

Sweepstakes awards will be given according to the following formula:

Event	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd/SF	4th/QF	Finalist/OF
BP:	15pts	12pts	9pts	7pts	6pts
NPDA:	15pts	12pts	9pts	7pts	6pts
Policy:	15pts	12pts	9pts	7pts	6pts
IPDA:	10pts	8pts	6pts	4pts	2pts
IE's:	10pts	8pts	6pts	4pts	2pts

For team sweepstakes for the Steve Hunt Classic, debate and individual events will be equalized. This equalization is achieved by the use of percentiles.

All sweepstakes points earned by all debate teams are summed. The points earned by each squad are divided by the total number of points earned in debate in order to determine what percentage of all debate points were earned by the team. Similarly, all sweepstakes points earned by all individual events competitors are summed. A similar percentile score is calculated in individual events for each squad.

The two percentile scores for a school (debate and IE) are added together in order to determine an equalized aggregate sweepstakes score. Assuming a school earned all of the possible sweepstakes points in the tournament (a mathematical impossibility), the maximum score they could earn would be 200 points (100% for debate, and 100% for IE).

JUDGING AND FEES

Please note the following judge coverage requirements when calculating fees:

1 judge covers eight (8) Individual events entries

1 judge covers two (2) NPDA/BP/Policy entries or a fraction thereof

1 judge covers four (4) IPDA entries

All debate judges are committed until the first **FULL** elimination round in each division and one round past elimination of their teams.

School Fee:	\$40 (waived for teams traveling from over 400 miles away)
NFC Fee:	\$4.50 per students (only for NFC schools)
IE entry:	\$8 per slot
Uncovered IE:	\$15 per slot (in addition to the entry fee)
NPDA entry:	\$60 per team
BP entry:	\$60 per team
Policy entry:	\$60 per team
IPDA entry:	\$30 per entry
NPDA/BP/Policy Uncovered:	\$150 per team (in addition to the entry fee)
IPDA Uncovered:	\$75 per debater (in addition to the entry fee)

SCHEDULES

Individual Events

Thursday, October 9- Early Registration, Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8:00-10:00

Friday, October 10

7:30-8:00	Registration
8:00 am	Extemp Draw
8:15 am	Round I, Pattern A
9:30 am	Extemp Draw
9:45 am	Round II, Pattern A
11:10 am	Round I, Pattern B
12:30 pm	Lunch
12:50 pm	Extemp Draw
1:05 pm	Round III, Pattern A
2:25 pm	Round II, Pattern B
3:50 pm	Round III, Pattern B
5:05 pm	Extemp Draw
5:20 pm	All Semifinals, Finals, Pattern A
6:50 pm	Finals, Pattern B
ASAP	Awards

(See below for schedule for Mt Hood swing tournament)

Policy Debate

Saturday, October 11

8:30 am	Round I
11:30 am	Lunch
12:15 pm	Round II
3:15 pm	Round III
6:15 pm	Round IV

Sunday, October 12

8:30 am	Round V
11:30 am	Lunch
12:15 pm	Round VI
3:15 pm	Elim I
6:15 pm	Elim II

(If a third elim is necessary, it will take place on Monday morning at the Crowne Plaza).

NPDA/IPDA Debate

Friday, October 10- Early Registration, Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8:00-10:00

Saturday, October 11

7:45-8:15	Registration
8:15	Round I
10:00	Round II
11:45	LUNCH
12:30	Round III
2:30	Round IV
4:30	Round V
6:30	Round VI (NPDA/IPDA only)

Sunday, October 12

8:15	AWARDS
8:30	Elim I
10:30	Elim II
1:00	Elim III
3:00	Elim IV
5:00	Elim V (if needed)

BP Debate

Friday, October 10- Early Registration, Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8:00-10:00

Saturday, October 11

7:45-8:15	Registration
8:15	Round I
10:15	Round II
12:00	Lunch
1:00	Round III
3:00	Round IV
5:00	Round V

Sunday, October 12

8:15	AWARDS
8:30	Elim I
10:30	Elim II
1:00	Elim III

LODGING

Crowne Plaza

14811 Kruse Oaks Blvd

Lake Oswego, OR 97035

Reservations: 1 (888) 233-9527 OR <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/LCDebate2014> (direct link to block rates)

Block under Lewis & Clark Speech and Debate

\$89 + 13% tax per room (two queen beds or one king)

MAPS AND DIRECTIONS

Directions to campus and the campus map are available at <http://www.lclark.edu/visit/directions/maps/>. Parking should be fairly easy to find as it is Lewis & Clark's fall break. Specific destinations for competition will be released as the tournament comes nearer, but we do anticipate having tabulation rooms and tournament administration closer to competition this year.

Mount Hood Community College Swing Tournament

In recognition of the large number of individual events schools attending this year's Steve Hunt Classic, our friends at Mount Hood Community College have agreed to host a second tournament on their campus. **This tournament will feature only the eleven NIET individual events, and will be held on Saturday only.**

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The Mount Hood campus is located at:

26000 SE Stark St, Gresham, OR 97030

REGISTRATION

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IE entry:	\$8 per slot
Uncovered IE:	\$15 per slot (in addition to the entry fee)

Teams may register for both halves of the swing at SHC registration, but two checks should be made out: one to "Lewis & Clark Forensics" and one for "MHCC Phi Rho Pi"

SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 11

7:30-8:00	Registration (MHCC Student Union Council Chambers)
8:15 am	Extemp Draw
8:30 am	Round I, Pattern A
10:00 am	Round I, Pattern B
11:30 am	Lunch
12:15 pm	Round II, Pattern B
1:45 pm	Extemp Draw
2:00 pm	Round II, Pattern A
3:45 pm	All Semifinals, Finals, Pattern B
5:30 pm	Extemp Draw
5:45 pm	Finals, Pattern A
ASAP	Awards