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Dear Forensics Friends,

MCC is pleased to invite you to the **Crystal Clear Forensics Reception on October 16, 2021**. We are hoping to implement a hybrid approach, offering synchronous live and virtual rounds of competition. In the interest of expanding access to ballots, we plan to offer 3 rounds of competition and announce awards based on lowest cumulative scores.

In this novice (first 2 years of competition) tournament, 12 events are offered that (with the exception of Interviewing*) follow Phi Rho Pi guidelines: www.phirhopi.org. There will be a free pizza lunch for those present and advance team orders are requested so teams can eat in assigned spaces that offer optimal social distancing while eating.

We look forward to seeing (one way or another) in October!

Sincerely,

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^{*}Event description below.

Schedule

8:00-8:30	Registration and Breakfast (A252)
8:45	Round 1 of Group A (Duo, Imp, Info, DI, POI, Pers,)
10:00	Round 2 of Group A
11:15	Round 3 of Group A
12:30	Pizza Lunch (provided)
1:00	Extemp Draw
1:15	Round 1 of Group B (Extemp, CA, POE, Prose, STE, Interviewing*)
2:15	Extemp Draw
2:30	Round 2 of Group B
3:30	Extemp Draw
3:45	Round 3 of Group B
ASAP	Awards

*Description of Interviewing event:

Each contestant will be interviewed for a hypothetical position as an **intern at a Chicago Speakers Bureau.** This intern position involves supporting members of the speaker relations team by:

- Assist in identifying trending topics
- Conduct research on the topics
- Give presentations to train internal staff on speaker topics

In round 1, the contestant will be asked general employment questions by an interviewer from Human Resources. In round 2, the contestant will be interviewed by a Manager about their research and presentation skills. In the final round, the contestant will be interviewed by <u>one or more members</u> of the staff they would be working with at the bureau. Contestants will be given the opportunity to ask at least one question in the interview. <u>Time limit</u>: Each contestant will be interviewed for 7-10 minutes.

This simple resume template must be filled out prior to registration, here is the link:

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Then, coaches will place resumes in the shared folder in Google Drive:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1w_ikg8TA1KD8tRCeLkgH7Mhf9czZH_ET?usp=sh

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Registration

Entrances are restricted, all teams will enter through the A bldg. atrium and registration location is TBA. For a map, go to: http://www.mchenry.edu/maps/index.asp

Entries

Each school may enter up to six slots per event. Each student may enter up to three per group. **The deadline for receiving entries is 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 12th.** Drops (without penalty) are due by 3pm on Wednesday, October 13th. Tournament information/registration: https://forensicstournament.net/CrystalClearForensicsReception/21

Fees & Judges

Entry fees are \$8 per slot. Each school should provide one judge for every six slots. Judges must be live and any uncovered slots are \$10 per slot. A drop fee of \$10 per slot will be assessed for each drop after 3 pm Wednesday, October 13th. Drops at registration will result in a \$25 drop fee and a dropped judge will result in a \$50 fee. Make checks payable to McHenry County College/Forensics.

Awards

The top six contestants in each event will receive awards in order of lowest cumulative score. If more than 6 contestants advance to a final round, those ranking below 6th place will receive a medal marked "Finalist" for that event. The top three individual speakers will receive awards based on scores in final rounds. Sweepstakes trophies will be awarded to the top five schools based on awarded event scores. A first place award will earn 12 points, second is 10 points, third is 8 points, fourth is 6 points, fifth is 4 points, and sixth is 2 points (anything past 6th will receive 1 point). MCC students will be entered in the competition and are eligible to place in individual events but not sweepstakes.