2026 Roadrunner Scrimmage
MSU Denver
Denver, CO
September 5, 2026

Letter of Invitation

Dear Colorado friends,

You are invited to attend the **2026 Roadrunner Scrimmage** at Metropolitan State University of Denver (MSU Denver) in Denver, Colorado! This British Parliamentary style scrimmage will be held at MSU Denver in our Central Classroom Building. We will offer three rounds of competition on **Saturday, September 5, 2026.** This scrimmage will follow **YODL rules** and procedures including a topic strike process using topic areas we will release about a month before the scrimmage. This is a **free event** open to anyone who would like to attend. Given the short nature of the event and the fact that it is a scrimmage, we are expecting a local draw. We will provide a light breakfast and lunch for all participants. **Please register by no later than August 31** so we have time to order food and reserve rooms. Please send all tournament correspondence to John Rief.

We look forward to hosting you at MSU Denver!

Sincerely,

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Staff

Conveners: John Rief and Jason Jordan
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CA Team: Simon Bernhard, Alliton Flores Sanchez, TBA

For all registration questions and other pre-event assistance, please contact John Rief at **jrief1@msudenver.edu**.

Registration Information

There is **no registration fee** for this scrimmage. As this is a scrimmage, we are not requiring teams to be covered by judging. Please supply as many judges, especially chairs, as you can. We are planning to hire several judges but may not have enough to panel every debate without your assistance. If everyone pitches in, we can cultivate an excellent learning opportunity for our students.

Please enter your teams and judges on forensicstournament.net by Monday, August 31. Any teams that have registered by this time can make edits (including drops, additions, new team configurations, and changes to judging personnel) up until Friday, September 4. If you have questions or special requests, please email John Rief at **jrief1@msudenver.edu**.

Scrimmage Procedures

As noted above, we will follow **YODL rules** at this scrimmage including the topic strike and points of privilege procedures. **We will not be using open adjudication.** We will go over these rules at our pre-scrimmage briefing on Saturday morning.

We will use the **YODL adjudication manual** as our primary source for rules and norms throughout the scrimmage. While we will not be requiring judges to complete YODL certification, we do expect that everyone will be familiar with the YODL manual. **Please note that while we are using YODL rules, this scrimmage does not count toward YODL points and is not officially sanctioned by YODL.**

For any issues not addressed in the YODL manual, please consult the **WUDC manual**. Should any questions or concerns arise, these are the documents our CA team, tab, and scrimmage leadership will reference.

A slate of **topic areas** will be released around one month before the scrimmage. We will make these topic areas available on forensicstournament.net and via email to currently registered teams. Teams will be given an opportunity to recommend specific topic wordings to the CA team shortly after the release of these areas. The due date for suggestions will be provided once the topic areas are released.

Food

We will be serving a light breakfast and lunch. Please contact John Rief at **jrief1@msudenver.edu** with any **dietary requests, restrictions, and allergies** on or before **Monday, August 31** using the **DIETARY RESTRICTIONS SURVEY**.

Parking

We will be paying for parking and will release a code to everyone a week ahead of the scrimmage. Please consult the attached map (below) for the best places to park.

Schedule

- Please note that all times are MDT (Mountain Daylight Savings Time) and are subject to minor modifications. You will be informed of any changes well in advance.

Saturday, September 5

Check-in	8-9am	Central Classroom Building, Room 109
Drop Deadline*	9am	Central Classroom Building, Room 109
Briefings	9-9:30am	Central Classroom Building, Room 109
Round 1	10am	Central Rooms
Round 2	12pm	Central Rooms
Lunch**	1:30pm	Central first floor hallway
Round 3	2:30pm	Central Rooms

* Teams and judges who have not checked in by this time will be dropped from round 1 but can add back in for future rounds.

**Lunch will be available starting at this time. Competitors and judges are encouraged to get food during deliberation and eat during post-round discussion.

Campus Map

You will find the Central Building in the lower right hand (southeast) section of campus on the map below. The best parking area for the scrimmage is Holly. You can find an online version of the map by clicking on the hyperlink above.

We hope to see you at MSU Denver in September!