

Dear Fellow Debaters,

The Choate Rosemary Hall Debate Team cordially invites you to the inaugural Choate Invitational Tournament on **January 10, 2010**. In both novice and advanced divisions, the event will feature three rounds of parliamentary extemporaneous debate with straight resolutions. A triple-speak competition will follow the debate rounds.

Initial registration is limited to 3 four-person teams per school. Each school must register at least one team in both the novice and advanced divisions and provide one judge per four-person team. Choate will be unable to supply judges.

Registration fees are \$60 per four-person team and \$15 per observer. To register, and for further inquiries, please email our tournament organizer Ian Chan at ichan10@choate.edu by **December 18th, 2009**. Please indicate how many observers and specific teams (novice/advanced) you plan to bring.

On the morning of the tournament please telephone our team adviser Neil Shimmield at (203) 843-7743 between 8 am and 10 am to let us know you are on your way. Additional information such as the tournament schedule and directions to Choate Rosemary Hall may be found at our team homepage: sites.google.com/site/choatedebate

Sincerely,

Neil Shimmield, Debate Adviser

Shubhro Saha, Tournament Director

Ian Chan, Tournament Organizer

Lizi Ottens, Tournament Organizer

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Parliamentary Debate Format

Definition of terms	5 minutes
Case preparation	10 minutes
Prime Minister Constructive	5 minutes
Member of the Opposition	8 minutes
Minister of the Crown	8 minutes
Leader of the Opposition	8 minutes
Prime Minister Rebuttal	3 minutes

* Resolutions shall be “straight”

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Schedule of Events

10:00 AM	Registration & Brunch Opens in Hill House
11:00 AM	Judges' Meeting in Library Reading Room
11:00 AM	Debaters' Meeting in Hill House
12:00 PM	Round One
1:00 PM	Round Two
2:00 PM	Round Three
3:15 PM	Triple-speak & Lunch in Hill House
4:15 PM	Awards Ceremony in Hill House

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Directions to Choate Rosemary Hall

From the north : I-91

Take Exit 14 and turn right onto East Center Street.

Go straight through four sets of lights. At the fifth light (Elm Street intersection), take a right.

At the first stop sign (Christian Street), take a left. Registration is at Hill House – the first turn on the left.

From the north and south: Wilbur Cross Parkway (Rt. 15)

Take Exit 64 and turn right onto Quinnipiac St.

Bear left at Wallace Park and cross over the R.R. tracks.

Go straight through light (Quinnipiac becomes Center St. at this intersection).

Turn left at second light (at top of hill) onto North Main St.

Turn right at first stop sign onto Christian Street.

Take a left at the last right turn before the North Elm Street intersection. Registration is at Hill House.

From the south : I-91

Take Exit 14 and turn left onto Woodhouse Avenue (Rt. 150).

At the second light, take a left onto Center St.

At the third light (Elm Street intersection), take a right.

At the first stop sign (Christian Street), take a left. Registration is at Hill House – the first turn on the left.

From the west (Danbury or Waterbury, CT): I-84

Take I-691 Exit 27 off I-84.

Take Exit 10 off I-691 and follow to Wilbur Cross Parkway/I-91 south exit. Follow directions above.

* All vehicles should park in the parking lot behind Hill House