

November 9, 2009

Fellow Debaters:

The St. Paul's School Debate Team cordially invites you to attend our

First Annual Invitational Debate Tournament in Honor of Senator John Kerry, to be held on Sunday, January 31, 2010.

The tournament is open to both advanced and novice teams, and you are welcome to bring as many teams as you would like. In accordance with DANEIS rule, only those who have participated in no more than six previous interscholastic tournaments, or those who have not debated in the last fifteen calendar months, may compete as novices. We do ask that coaches use their discretion: some unusually apt novices can (and should) be moved up to the advanced division sooner than this.

The tournament will be Oregon-style Prepared, and will consist of three rounds. Pairs will debate on the same side of the resolution for all three rounds. The resolution is

***"BIRT: the suppression of maritime piracy should be the immediate operational priority of the United States Navy."***

Each team shall consist of four people, accompanied by a judge. While experienced advanced debaters are acceptable as judges in the novice division, advanced teams must have an adult judge. We regret that we are unable to provide judges.

Overall registration fees are \$60 per four-person team (including judge), with a \$5 charge per observer to offset meal costs. Please let us know by January 22 how many advanced teams, novice teams and observers you plan to bring, by emailing Kevin Barry at [kbarry@sps.edu](mailto:kbarry@sps.edu), calling him at 603-229-4862, or faxing him at 603-229-4888

If there is any change in the number of teams on the morning of the debate, it is *imperative* that you call before you leave your school, so the schedule of debates can be adjusted in time for a smooth start.

A brunch and afternoon snack will be provided.

We hope that you can join us, and look forward to greeting you on January 31.

Sincerely,

Kevin Barry, Laura Rochette, Claire Branch, Will Ryan, and Will Winmill

**ST. PAUL'S FIRST ANNUAL INVITATIONAL DEBATE TOURNAMENT IN HONOR  
OF SENATOR JOHN KERRY**

**Sunday, January 31, 2010**

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**Schedule of Events:**

10:30 – 11:15	Registration, Memorial Hall
10:45 – 11:45	Brunch, Coit Dining Hall
12:00-12:45	Joint Debaters' and Judges' Meeting, Memorial Hall
12:45 – 2:00	Round One
2:00 – 3:15	Round Two
3:15 – 4:30	Round Three
5:00 – 5:30	Awards Ceremony, Memorial Hall

## **Oregon Style Prepared:**

1 <sup>st</sup> Affirmative constructive	8 minutes
2 <sup>nd</sup> Negative cross-examination	3 minutes
1 <sup>st</sup> Negative constructive	8 minutes
1 <sup>st</sup> Affirmative cross-examination	3 minutes
2 <sup>nd</sup> Affirmative constructive	8 minutes
1 <sup>st</sup> Negative cross-examination	3 minutes
2 <sup>nd</sup> Negative constructive	8 minutes
2 <sup>nd</sup> Affirmative cross-examination	3 minutes
1 <sup>st</sup> Negative rebuttal	4 minutes
1 <sup>st</sup> Affirmative rebuttal	4 minutes
2 <sup>nd</sup> Negative rebuttal	4 minutes
2 <sup>nd</sup> Affirmative rebuttal	4 minutes

## **DIRECTIONS TO ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL**

### **From the Massachusetts Turnpike**

Take Exit 11a to Interstate 495 North. Follow to Massachusetts Route 3 North. Follow Rt. 3 North which becomes Everett Turnpike at New Hampshire border. Continue on Everett Turnpike to I-93 North (continue with directions immediately following)

**From I-93 Northbound** Follow I-93 North to I-89, just south of Concord. Follow I-89 North to Exit 2, Clinton Street. At the end of the ramp turn right onto Clinton Street. In approximately 1/8 mile, turn left onto Langley Highway. Continue straight until the road ends at a T-junction marked by a stop sign. (Concord Hospital is straight ahead) Turn left onto Pleasant Street and travel 1/8 mile. St. Paul's School sign is on the left; turn left onto Dunbarton Road. Memorial Hall will be on your right, a large classical auditorium with columns and a turn-around driveway.

\* (Driving time in good weather from Boston is approximately 1.5 hours).

### **From I-93 Southbound or Concord Center**

Take Exit 13 on I-93 to Route 3 North and turn right at the end of exit ramp. Go through three sets of lights. At fourth light, turn left onto Pleasant Street (Route 202 West); continue past Concord Hospital. St. Paul's School sign is on the left; turn left onto Dunbarton Road. Memorial Hall will be on your right, a large classical auditorium with columns and a turn-around driveway.