

Dear Debate Coach:

You and your students are cordially invited to participate in a State Debate Qualifying Tournament.

WHAT: O'AHU DISTRICT DEBATE STATE QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT

WHERE: **Damien Memorial School (1041 Houghtailing St., Honolulu, HI 96822)**

WHEN: March 16, 2013

ENTRY DEADLINE: Wednesday, February 27, 2013

PARTICIPATION: Open to all HSL member schools that have paid their HSL membership dues and submitted their signed membership form.

EVENTS AND DEBATE

1. PUBLIC FORUM DEBATE (BEGINNING and ADVANCED): **NFL 2013 March PFD Topic (Topic will be released on February 1 at <http://www.nationalforensicleague.org>).**
2. LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE (NOVICE and CHAMPIONSHIP): **NFL 2013 January/February LD Topic (Topic will be released on December 1 at <http://www.nationalforensicleague.org>).**
3. POLICY DEBATE (JUNIOR VARSITY and VARSITY): Topic—"Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its transportation infrastructure investment in the United States."

REGISTRATION

Registration must be processed using our League website <<http://www.hawaiispeechleague.org>>. If you do not have a school username or password, please immediately contact Bobby Tokunaga, HSL Tournament Director, for the information.

LIMITS

Each school may register a maximum of eighteen (18) entries (with each Policy Debate and Public Forum team counting as one entry) in any combination of events listed above. **NO DOUBLE ENTRIES ARE ALLOWED.**

FEES

\$7.00 per participant. **As a reminder, Public Forum Debate and Policy Debate entries must be paid according to number of participants, not number of entries.**

PAYMENT

Payment is due before participation in the tournament.

Make check payable to: **HAWAI'I SPEECH LEAGUE**

Checks may be mailed to the Treasurer: Karen Miyakado
1051 Mokuhano Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

Or hand delivered on the day of the tournament. **CASH PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!**

JUDGES

Each school must provide one (1) judge for every Policy team, one (1) judge for every two (2) LD entries and every two (2) Public Forum teams. (For example, a school entering 1 LD debater and 1 PFD team must provide 2 judges). Schools that do not provide the required number of judges may have entries proportionally withdrawn. We would sincerely appreciate any additional qualified judges you can provide.

Please direct all changes and questions regarding judges to Carol Halbur, HSL Judges' Chairperson. You can e-mail Carol at chalbur@punahou.edu or call her at 728-3672 (cell) or 943-3651 (school).

TIMERS

The league requires that all participating schools provide at least one (1) timekeeper for every tournament. We are grateful for any additional timekeepers that you can provide. Orientation for timekeepers will start at 7:45 a.m. on Saturday.

SCHEDULE Saturday, March 16, 2013

7:00 – 8:00.....	REGISTRATION
7:30	JUDGES CHECK-IN AND INSTRUCTIONS
8:00 – 9:45.....	ROUND 1
10:00 – 11:30	ROUND 2
12:00 – 1:30.....	ROUND 3
2:00 – 3:30.....	ROUND 4
4:00 – 5:30.....	ROUND 5
6:30	AWARD CEREMONY

* This schedule is tentative and may change based on number of entries.

AWARDS

Certificates and trophies or medals will be awarded to all competitors who qualify for the State Forensic Championships.

DROPS

Please contact me immediately if there are changes to your entries. You can e-mail me at robert.tokunaga@hawaii.edu or call me at 956-3323 (office) or 224-3886 (cell). All means will be used to reschedule drops prior to the start of the tournament.

Sincerely,
Bobby Tokunaga
Tournament Director
Hawai'i Speech League