

**Connecticut Debate Association
March 3, 2018 Tournament
Darien High School, Pomperaug High School, Wilton High School**

On behalf of Darien High School and Coaches Dennis Cummings and Leslie Bradshaw, Pomperaug High School and Coach Kelly Pelletier, and Wilton High School and Coach Anthony Presta, I invite you to attend our last regular tournament of the 2017-18 season on Saturday, March 3. We will follow our usual format.

Please read the following items carefully:

1. We have room for around 560 debaters but the room constraints and the geography are difficult. Having reviewed past attendance and travel distances, I am assigning schools to tournaments as follows:

Host: Darien	Host: Pomperaug	Host: Wilton
AITE	Aerospace	Amity
Darien	Crosby	Bethel
Greenwich	East Catholic	Guilford
Hackley	Farmington	Hand
King	Glastonbury	Hamden Hall
Lauralton Hall	Loomis Chaffee	Housatonic Valley
New Canaan	Pomperaug	Immaculate/Hive
Pierrepont	Sacred Heart	Joel Barlow
Stamford	Shepaug Valley	Oxford
Staples	Simsbury	Ridgefield
St. Luke's	Woodbury/Nonnewaug	Seymour
Warde	Westfield/Watkinson	St. Joseph's
Westhill	Wethersfield	Wilton
	Windsor	Weston
	Xavier	

Even with this distribution, based on attendance at other tournaments this year, Pomperaug is oversubscribed by about 30 teams.

If you are not listed for Pomperaug, you cannot attend at that location!

If you are listed for Darien or Wilton, and wish to switch between them, you must email me first for permission!

If you are listed for Pomperaug and are willing to switch to either Darien or Wilton, please email me.

If you are not on the list, please email me.

If, in spite of all attempts, Pomperaug is oversubscribed, we will be forced to ask some schools to drop teams.

2. You must register your teams and judges through tabroom.com . Instructions for using tabroom.com for CDA can be found here: [http://ctdebate.org/PDFs/Using% 20Tabroom.pdf](http://ctdebate.org/PDFs/Using%20Tabroom.pdf) . We will be using tabroom.com for registration for all tournaments.

The tournament entry on tabroom.com has three events, Varsity, Novice and Observer for each location. The tournament will be open for registration on Tuesday, February 20 at 8AM. Teams will be waitlisted until I release them.

3. Please abide by the rules for Novice eligibility (unchanged from last year):

The Novice division will be open to Freshman and Sophomores, regardless of experience or record. They may qualify and participate as Novices in State Finals both years. However, they may move up to Varsity at any time if they or their coach choose, and once having moved up, may not return to Novice. Coaches are encouraged to move Sophomores up to Varsity if they have been successful as a Freshman, but are not required to do so.

Juniors who have never debated before in CDA may participate as Novices in their first regular CDA tournament. Otherwise they may only debate in Varsity. They may not participate in State Finals except in Varsity. They may only qualify for State Finals while debating in Varsity.

Seniors may not participate as Novices in any CDA tournament.

4. To qualify for State Finals, a debater must win a trophy at a regular tournament, or go 3-0 at two regular tournaments. In other words, simply going 3-0 at one tournament without winning a trophy will not qualify.

5. You can find directions to the schools at their web sites:

Darien High School .

80 High School Lane . Darien, CT 06820

<http://www.darienps.org/dhs/cms/>

Pomperaug High School

234 Judd Rd, Southbury, CT 06488

<http://www.region15.org/subsite/phs>

Wilton High School

395 Danbury Rd, Wilton, CT 06897

http://www.wiltonhighschool.org/pages/Wilton_High_School

If you have questions, please email me at ejrutan3@ctdebate.org . I look forward to seeing you there.

Tournament Day Schedule

Time	Activity	Location
8-9AM	Registration and coffee	Cafeteria
9AM	Resolution and packet distributed	Cafeteria
9-10AM	Preparation for debaters Workshop for judges	Cafeteria As directed
10-11:30AM	Round 1 (random pairings)	Room listed on round schedule
11:30AM-1PM	Round 2 (random pairings)	Room listed on round schedule
1-2PM	Lunch	Cafeteria
2-3:30PM	Round 3 (power matched, flip for side)	Room listed on round schedule
3:30-5PM	Varsity Final Round	Auditorium or cafeteria
5-5:30PM	Awards	Auditorium or cafeteria
5:30PM	Departure	