

**Connecticut Debate Association
February 3, 2018 Tournament Invitation
Daniel Hand High School and New Canaan High School**

On behalf of Daniel Hand High School and Coach Martin Glasser, and New Canaan High School and Coaches Kris Goldhawk and Nancy Stevens, I would like to invite you to attend our next tournament on Saturday, February 3.

Please read the following items carefully:

1. We have room for 428 debaters. This is about 50 less than we had in November, our last full tournament date. Depending on who signs up, we may have to ask some of the larger delegations to limit their numbers.

I would appreciate an email or signup by this coming weekend, January 27, so we have an idea on numbers and can adjust locations as necessary.

2. The geography is also a bit tricky. In order to get a good distribution, unless you have a pressing reason, I would ask schools to sign up as follows:

Daniel Hand Tournament: Aerospace, Amity, Daniel Hand, East Catholic, Farmington, Glastonbury, Guilford, Hamden Hall, Loomis, Oxford, Seymour, Simsbury, Wethersfield, Windsor

New Canaan Tournament: AITE, Crosby, Darien, Greenwich, Housatonic, Immaculate, Joel Barlow, King, Luralton Hall, New Canaan, Pierrepont, Pomperaug, Ridgefield, Sacred Heart, Shepaug, Stamford, Staples, St. Joseph, St. Luke's, Warde, Westfield/Watkinson, Westhill, Weston, Wilton, Woodbury

If you are located between Fairfield and New Haven north to I-84 and you can be flexible regarding the two locations, possibly switching at the last minute, please let me know.

If I have left you off the list, please email me!

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> . We will be using tabroom.com for registration for all tournaments. The tournament entry on tabroom.com has six events, Varsity, Novice and Observer for each of Daniel Hand and New Canaan.

The tournament is currently open for registration at 8AM on Monday, January 22.

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:

Daniel Hand High School

286 Green Hill Road, Madison, CT 06443

<http://www.madison.k12.ct.us/page.cfm?p=442>

New Canaan High School

11 Farm Road

New Canaan, CT 06840

<http://newcanaan.k12.ct.us/education/school/school.php?sectionid=20>

6. 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	