

# JEFFERSON COUNTY INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT 2008

Your team is cordially invited to the 2008 Jefferson County Invitational Tournament to be held at Green Mountain High School on November 15, 2008. We hope you will join us for a great day of speech and debate competition.

**Green Mountain High School**  
13175 W. Green Mountain Drive  
Lakewood, Colorado 80228

**Events:** Varsity CX Debate (current NFL topic), Novice CX Debate (current NFL topic), LD Debate (November-December NFL topic on felon voting rights), PF Debate (November topic on universal health care), Original Oratory, US Extemp, International Extemp, Drama, Humor, Poetry, Duo, and Student Congress.

The Novice CX division is designed for first year competitors in CX Debate. However, the final decision about who is a novice is ultimately up to the coach. We will offer these two divisions if there are at least 6 teams registered in each division; otherwise we will collapse the divisions into a single event.

**THERE IS NO DOUBLING.**

## **Entries:**

- Each school may enter up to **24 events entries** (Duo teams count as one entry)
- Each school may enter up to **12 debate entries** (one varsity CX team counts as TWO entries, but a novice CX team or a PF team counts as ONE entry). Debate will be power-matched.
- Each school may enter up to **6 student congress** competitors.

There is no maximum number allowed in any event, but each school must realize that if it enters many students in one event, those students may compete against each other in preliminary rounds.

**Pre-Registration and Registration:** Pre-registration will be through [speechmeets.com](http://speechmeets.com). Register soon and update often as necessary because this tournament usually closes. We will accept registrations until we reach our capacity and/or at 4:00pm on November 8, 2008. You will be automatically e-mailed through [speechmeets.com](http://speechmeets.com) when you register or make changes.

**Computers in CX Debate:** Laptop computers will be allowed in Varsity and Novice CX debate. We will follow NFL rules regarding computers.

**Schedule:** Registration is 7:00am—7:30pm at Green Mountain High School. Your team must be registered by 7:30am to be eligible for the first round. Round 1A (first half of events) will go at 8:00am; Round 1B (second half of events) will go at 9:30am. Waves will be determined based on registration numbers, though Varsity CX and Novice CX will be in opposite waves. Remaining rounds will be scheduled to efficiently utilize available judges and rooms. We will

schedule rounds as quickly as possible. It is, therefore, not a good idea to leave the tournament site for more than a few minutes. Competitors who miss a round will be dropped from the tournament.

**Fees:** Fees are \$10.00 per competitor in Debate – i.e. \$20.00 per CX team or PF team – and \$10.00 non-debate events – i.e. \$10.00 per Duo team – and \$8.00 per competitor in Student Congress. Fees are charged on pre-registration numbers as of 4:00pm on November 8, 2008.

**Non-Jeffco schools: please remit payment to:**

Chatfield S. H., Attn: Kevin Brich, 7227 South Simms, Littleton, CO 80127. *Please make sure check notes: Jeffco Invite/your school name.*

**Awards:** Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third places in each speech event, debate awards for first and second places. Ribbons will be awarded for Finalists and undefeated debaters not advancing to finals; additionally, Superior and Excellent ribbons will be awarded to students not advancing to finals. The usual Congress awards will be presented.

**Congress Legislation and Rules:** All bills and resolutions should be e-mailed to Tammie Peters at [tpeters@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:tpeters@jeffco.k12.co.us) by Friday, **November 7, 2008**. The dockets will be emailed to all schools by Monday, November 10, 2008. All schools with students in Congress are expected to submit at least one piece of legislation. The entire day will be considered a single session in Congress. New judges will be assigned in the afternoon and new presiding officers will be elected. However, precedence carries over from the morning and one set of speaker awards per house will be presented.

We will use the NFL rules, specifically: every speaker gets up to 3 minutes to speak and up to 1 minute of questions. Please refer to the NFL manual for clarification.

**Rules:** CHSAA Rules as printed on ballots will be used (with the exception of computers in CX). NFL Rules for Congress will be followed.

**Judging:** Coaches are required to judge a minimum of two rounds. Any school with competitors in Debate events is expected to bring one qualified debate judge for every six debaters. One session of congress (morning or afternoon) may be used to fulfill a coach's judging requirement. Coaches unavailable for judging at anytime they are assigned will forfeit their students' advancement to finals. Therefore, it would be advisable for any coach who has to leave the building to check out at the judges' table. Remember, a coach who is responsible for your team must be on site at all times. Also, judges are crucial for tournaments: *please invite all experienced judges you know to attend this tournament – we would love to hire them.*

**Ballot Room:** The ballot room will be open to coaches from 11:00am to 5:30pm or until finals begin.

**Food:** There will be a concession stand for students. There are no fast food restaurants within walking distance. Lunch and snacks throughout the day will be provided for coaches and judges.

**Miscellany:**

- Please leave public radios at home – all music should be personal.
- No smoking is allowed anywhere on the campus.
- Please remind students they may not enter rooms until the judge(s) are in the room. Facilities which are misused are seldom used again, and we can all benefit from more, not fewer, tournaments.

**Any questions?**

Contact Tom Biddle at Bear Creek High School – [tbiddle@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:tbiddle@jeffco.k12.co.us) (preferred) or by telephone: 303-982-8796 (school); or 303-818-2275 (home/cell). You may call this cell phone the morning of the tournament if you have difficulties.

Sincerely,

Tom Biddle (Bear Creek High School) [tbiddle@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:tbiddle@jeffco.k12.co.us)  
Tim Vialpando (Pomona High School) [tvialpan@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:tvialpan@jeffco.k12.co.us)

PREREGISTRATION  
 2008 JEFFCO INVITATIONAL  
 SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15  
 AT GREEN MOUNTAIN H. S.

Debate:

(You may bring up to 12 entries in debate in any combination)

_____	Varsity CX Teams (each team counts as 2 entries)	x	\$20 = _____
_____	Novice CX Teams (each team counts as 1 entry)	x	\$20 = _____
_____	PF Teams (each team counts as 1 entry)	x	\$20 = _____
_____	LD Debaters (each debater counts as 1 entry)	x	\$10 = _____

Non-Debate Events:

(You may bring up to 24 entries in non-debate events)

_____	Duo Teams (each team counts as 1 entry)	x	\$10 = _____
_____	Original Oratory	x	\$10 = _____
_____	National Extemp	x	\$10 = _____
_____	International Extemp	x	\$10 = _____
_____	Humorous Interp	x	\$10 = _____
_____	Dramatic Interp	x	\$10 = _____
_____	Poetry Interp	x	\$10 = _____

Congress:

(You may bring up to 6 congress competitors. Legislation due to Tammie Peters, tpeters@jeffco.k12.co.us by Friday, November 7, 2008)

_____	Congress	x	\$ 8 = _____
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TOTAL FEES OWED: \_\_\_\_\_

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