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General Information Packet for Student and Adult Participants

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PAYMENT AND MAIL-IN FORMS

Payment and mail-in forms are due by July 1, 2019. No payment will be refunded after July 1, 2019.

Students \$700 (CX debate students \$735)*

- Coaches \$600
- Commuter Students \$500 (CX debate \$535)
- Commuter Coaches \$500

This amount includes payment for

- Tuition
- Housing
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner meal plan
- T-shirt

***CX debate students pay an additional \$35 for a copy of the *Baylor Briefs*.**

Returned checks will be assessed a \$35 fee. Payment by cashier's check is due immediately upon notification of a returned check.

KEY DEPOSIT

There is a mandatory deposit of \$75 for room keys.

Please write a separate check payable to *The Championship Debate Group*.

The check will be returned at checkout, provided that rooms are in appropriate condition and keys are returned. Should a student need to replace her/his key mid-institute, an additional deposit will be needed to cover the newly issued key.

Please make your checks payable to *The Championship Debate Group* and mail them to:

The Championship Debate Group
102 Lost Trails
La Vernia, Texas 78121



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REGISTRATION

Institute participants should register on Sunday, July 21 between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. in the lobby of Building H (Student Housing) on the Concordia University campus.

- Participants will meet in the lobby to walk to dinner at 5:00 p.m.
- The first general meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Please plan to be settled in your dorm room prior to dinner.

TRAVEL AND DIRECTIONS

Please note that the institute is held on the main campus of Concordia University. The physical address is

11400 Concordia University Drive

Austin, TX 78726

- Directions to the university can be found at <http://www.concordia.edu/about/visiting-ctx-and-austin/>
- A campus map can be found at <http://www.concordia.edu/sitefiles/w3/topPageLevel/CampusMap.pdf>

Students who drive themselves to the institute must park their vehicles for the week and not leave campus in their vehicle until checkout.

Parents or guardians wishing to take a participant off campus must have the director's permission prior to leaving campus. Students are strictly prohibited from leaving campus without proper consent.

CHECKOUT AND DEPARTURE

All students should plan to depart the campus about 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 26, 2018.

Please make every effort to allow students the opportunity to attend the final session 1:00-2:00 on Friday afternoon. Early checkout involves making both Concordia representatives and Championship Debate Group staff available at problematic times. Please do not plan to pick up students early.

SPENDING MONEY

Spending money depends entirely upon individuals and their parents/guardians. The activities of *The Championship Debate Group* program do not necessitate the expenditure of much money. Students are responsible for their own in-library duplication of original research material.

Students are urged not to bring large amounts of cash with them.



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There is no banking service available per se. There are several Automated Teller Machines located on campus. If a student does not have an ATM card and needs additional money mid- institute, commercial services like Western Union and American Express are available in Austin.

STUDENT HOUSING

Student Housing is a modern, air-conditioned dormitory. Two or three students of the same sex will share a room and a bathroom. Students are responsible for upkeep of their own rooms. Please note that CX debaters may have practice rounds in their rooms, so keeping a neat room is a must.

Please see <http://www.concordia.edu/student-life/residential-life/> if you would like to see student housing.

Clothes may be laundered in coin-operated automatic machines in the student housing area.

Prohibited Items

- Toaster ovens
- Coffee pots
- Hotplates
- Electric frying pans
- Halogen lamps

Students should bring the following

- Pillows
- Towels
- Twin Size Sheets
- Hangers
- Bedspread/Blankets
- Personal Items (soap, shampoo, etc...)
- Telephone
- Laundry Supplies



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MEALS

Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner are provided in the cafeteria.

The cafeteria provides a variety of alternatives: a selection of hot entrees, hot and cold sandwiches, a fresh salad bar, pizza bar, and a variety of specialty foods, including vegetarian meals. If participants have special dietary needs, please email this information to info@thechampionshipdebategroup.com.

Dormitory rooms are equipped with a microwave and small refrigerator. Many students also choose to bring snack items and drinks for the week.

MAIL AND TELEPHONE

Students should plan on bringing a telephone or having some method by which to make appropriate phone calls.

Mail will be available Monday through Friday at Student Housing desk. The staff will designate appropriate mail pick-up times. The mailing address for a student in Building H is:

Student's Name

Concordia University/Scheduling and Events

c/o The Championship Debate Group

11400 Concordia University Drive

Austin, Texas 78726

Please do not send cash in the mail. Mail unclaimed at the conclusion of the program will be returned to its sender whenever possible.



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CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS

Dress on campus is informal. It is typically warm in Texas in July, although the air conditioned dormitories and buildings can be quite cool. We suggest that students plan a summer wardrobe, but that they bring a couple of garments to layer over their summer clothing if they find the classroom temperature a bit chilly.

Students enrolled in prose/poetry interpretation and extemporaneous speaking need performance clothes for the Friday performances.

COMPUTERS

Students should plan to bring their own laptop computers and/or tablets if at all possible. While the campus library has computers available, it has become evident that most students find they are more productive with a laptop or tablet computer. Wireless connections are available in individual dorm rooms and in classrooms.

Students in cx debate should plan to print all their evidence before the institute begins if they do not bring laptops.

The Championship Debate Group is not responsible for the loss of a student's personal property, including computers. The campus is a safe and secure one; it is, however, always advisable for students to lock their dormitory rooms and to take great care and caution to maintain their belongings. Practice debate rounds may be held in dormitory rooms with the students' knowledge and permission.

CLASSROOM SUPPLIES

Supplies are largely an individual choice. Different students have different likes and dislikes, and should, for the most part, choose the size, color, shape, etc. of supply that works best for them.

In general, students will need a notebook and their choice of other papers to take notes. Students should print any files they need before the institute begins. It is also useful have some means of transferring files from computer to computer (a jump drive). **Instructors may email students near the date of the institute instructing them to bring specific supplies.**



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RECREATION AND FREE TIME

The curriculum schedule is a full and challenging one. However, we do believe in the importance of fun and recreation. A well-rounded institute experience is one that works to sharpen each student's skills *and* encourages him or her to get to know others in both working and social environments. A gymnasium and recreation center with fitness machines may be available. Students will have access to pool tables, ping-pong tables, and foosball tables in the lobby of the dormitory.

HEALTH CENTER

The Championship Debate Group students may visit the Student Health Center or the most appropriate health care facility. Included in the enrollment material is a form to gather basic health information about each student.

Please complete that form carefully. Should you prefer that your child receive health services from a private provider, we will be happy to facilitate appropriate connections in Austin. Please be certain that your child has access to appropriate insurance information.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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