

Provincial Coordinators, Debaters, and Coaches from across Canada:

Calgary French & International School, in conjunction with the Alberta Debate and Speech Association is pleased to invite you to the Canadian Jr. Debate Championship to be held at CFIS in Calgary, Alberta, on the weekend of Friday, May 4, 2018 until Sunday May 6 2018. Each province may register **up to SIX teams (we may be able to accept more, but will start with six teams per province)**. How teams are selected is up to each provincial debating association.

As usual, this tournament will use the Canadian National debating format, with 6-minute speaking times for each speaker. The tournament will be a mixture of prepared and impromptu rounds. The topic for prepared debate will be released on March 15, 2018. The Chief Adjudicator for this tournament will be Mr. Jason Hong and the Head of Statistics will be M. Guillaume Laroche.

Locations

All debates will be held at Calgary French & International School (700-77 St. SW, Calgary AB, T3H 5R1) and the hotel for the event will be the Sandman West (125 Bowridge Dr NW, Calgary, AB T3B 3R6). If you are coming into town via Calgary International Airport, it is recommended that you take a taxi from the airport. Transportation from the hotel to the school for events will be provided.

Schedule:

This schedule is subject to change. Teams will arrive on Thursday, May 3rd and make their way to the hotel. Registration will take place at the hotel between 3pm and 8pm in the hotel lobby.

School buses will arrive on the morning of Friday, May 4th, to transport all debaters and coaches to CFIS. Breakfast will be available for all participants at CFIS. Debaters' and Judges' briefing will take place at 8 am, after which the pairings for first round will be announced. The first round will begin at 9:15, followed by a group picture. The second round will begin at 10:45 followed by lunch for all participants. The debaters, coaches, and supervisors will then take coach buses to Banff for the afternoon/evening excursion. Participants will enjoy a ride on the Banff Gondola, some free time in the Banff town site to explore and take pictures, followed by dinner, bowling, and arcade games at High Rollers in Banff. Participants will then be transported back to the hotel for the night, arriving at approximately 9 pm. A coaches meeting is scheduled in the hotel for 9 pm.

On Saturday, May 5th, buses will take debaters to CFIS for 8am, where breakfast will be provided. There will be two rounds of debating, followed by lunch, followed by another two rounds of debating that should be over by 5:30pm. Teams can then choose between spending the evening at Chinook Mall, which features 6 restaurants, a food court, a Cineplex and bowling

alley as well as shopping, or returning to the hotel. No supper is included in your registration costs for Saturday.

On Sunday, November 26th, debaters will once again be bussed to CFIS School for the break announcement at 8:30am. Following will be the quarter-final and semi-final rounds. A luncheon banquet will be served and the finals will take place on the stage. Awards will immediately follow the conclusion of the final round of debate. Everything should be done by 2:30pm at the very latest, and buses will be on hand to transport teams to the Calgary International Airport at that time. Please plan flights and transport accordingly; **departures before 4 pm on Sunday are not recommended.**

Meals and Travel

The following meals are included in the registration price: Breakfast, Lunch, and Supper Buffet on Friday, May 4. Breakfast and lunch on Saturday, May 5. Breakfast and luncheon banquet on Sunday, May 6. All tickets also include the outing to Banff with the Gondola ticket, bowling, arcade, and supper buffet included. Debaters are expected to bring their own spending money if they wish to shop in Banff.

Transportation to and from the hotel is included in your fees. Teams who choose to not participate in the outing to Chinook Mall on Saturday will be bussed to the hotel and then are responsible for any additional transportation costs.

Registration

The cost of the tournament will be \$325.00 per person, debater or adult. Every team should have a designated chaperone, and every province must send at least one designated judge (who may also be a coach/chaperone for a team). **All fees (including hotel payments) are due on the evening of Monday, April 5, 2018.** Cheques should be made out and sent to Calgary French & International School. Schools and teams that have not paid by this time will be removed from the tab.

Accommodation

Accommodation for the tournament will be at the Sandman Calgary West and hotel bookings will be made as a part of your registration. The hotel can accommodate between one and 4 individuals in the room. All rooms (that aren't singles) have 2 Queen beds, with the option of renting a cot. The prices for hotel rooms based on room type and occupancy are as follows. Prices include all taxes

Room Type	Registration Cost per person (includes \$325 tournament fee)
Single Room: One King Bed	\$800
Double occupancy: Two Queen Beds	\$525
Quad occupancy: Two Queen Beds	\$450
Calgary/Alberta resident not staying at hotel	\$325

The booking of hotel rooms will happen along with registration, and everything will be paid for at the same time. In order to register and reserve for the hotel, please fill out the registration sheet accompanying this form, and email it back to me (instructions are on the sheet). Once you have registered, I will confirm along with the total price of your registration and hotel stay. Please provide one cheque per provincial organization.

Payment for the hotel and registration is due no later than Monday, April 4, 2018.

If you have any questions, please email me jchrapko@cfis.com. I look forward to seeing you in Calgary, Alberta, on Thursday, May 3, 2018.

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