



Dear Coaches and Debaters,

The Choate Rosemary Hall Debate Team cordially invites you to the Choate Invitational Debate Tournament on November 17, 2024. In both the novice and advanced division, the event will feature three rounds of parliamentary extemporaneous debate with straight resolutions (full rules can be found [here](#)). Because we are a world qualifier, we will give priority to league members and keep a running list of additional schools who are interested. If we have enough space, these schools will be contacted and invited to attend the tournament.

Initial registration is limited to 2 four-person teams per school. Each school must register at least one team in both the novice and advanced divisions and provide one judge per four-person team. In the advanced division, we ask that you provide an adult judge. Choate will be unable to supply judges. We also will not have timers or Speakers, so debaters and judges will need to fulfill both of these roles.

Registration fees are \$80 per four-person team and \$20 per observer. **To register, please RSVP to Harper Marsden-Uren '26 (hmarsdenuren26@choate.edu)** indicating how many teams (novice/advanced) you plan to bring, as well as providing the names of all debaters and judges. If you have additional questions, please reach out to Kyra Jenney at kjenney@choate.edu. **The deadline for registration is November 1st.**

Prior to the day of the tournament, you will receive an email with additional details about the tournament. By 8:00am EST on the morning of the tournament, please email Amber Hodge at ahodge@choate.edu to confirm your team names or to notify us of any changes.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the tournament!

Sincerely,

Kyra Jenney, Debate Adviser
Amber Hodge, Debate Adviser
Katherine Chong '25, Tournament Chair
Harper Marsden-Uren '26, Tournament Vice Chair
Addy Hawthorne '27, Tournament Vice Chair

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Parliamentary Debate Format

Definition of terms	5 minutes
Case preparation	10 minutes
Prime Minister Constructive	5 minutes
Member of the Opposition	8 minutes
Minister of the Crown	8 minutes
Leader of the Opposition	8 minutes
Prime Minister Rebuttal	3 minutes

Resolutions shall be “straight”

Points of Information will be permitted

All Official DANEIS Parliamentary Procedure Rules will be followed

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Schedule of Events

10:00 AM	Registration & Brunch Opens in Temporary Dining (off Gunpowder Creek)
11:00 AM	Judges' Meeting in Elman Auditorium
11:00 AM	Debaters' Meeting in Getz Auditorium
12:00 PM	Round One
1:00 PM	Round Two
2:00 PM	Round Three
3:15 PM	Lunch in Ruutz Rees Commons
4:15 PM	Awards Ceremony in Ruutz Rees Commons

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Directions to Choate Rosemary Hall

From the north : I-91

Take Exit 14 and turn right onto East Center Street.

Go straight through four sets of lights. At the fifth light (Elm Street intersection), take a right.

At the first stop sign (Christian Street), take a right.

Take the first right (@ Gunpowder Creek Parking Lot headed towards the Athletic Center).

Registration is in the temporary dining hall next to pool (in the old Student Activities Center).

Parking is behind the hockey rink.

From the north and south: Wilbur Cross Parkway (Rt. 15)

Take Exit 64 and turn right onto Quinnipiac St.

Bear left at Wallace Park and cross over the R.R. tracks.

Go straight through light (Quinnipiac becomes Center St. at this intersection).

Turn left at second light (at top of hill) onto North Main St.

Turn right at first stop sign onto Christian Street. Go straight through the 4-way stop at N. Elm St.

Take a right (@ Gunpowder Creek Parking Lot headed towards the Athletic Center).

Registration is in the temporary dining hall next to pool (in the old Student Activities Center).

Parking is behind the hockey rink.

From the south : I-91

Take Exit 14 and turn left onto Woodhouse Avenue (Rt. 150).

At the second light, take a left onto Center St.

At the third light (Elm Street intersection), take a right.

At the first stop sign (Christian Street), take a right.

Take the first right (@ Gunpowder Creek Parking Lot headed towards the Athletic Center).

Registration is in the temporary dining hall next to pool (in the old Student Activities Center).

Parking is behind the hockey rink.

From the west (Danbury or Waterbury, CT): I-84

Take I-691 Exit 27 off I-84.

Take Exit 10 off I-691 and follow to Wilbur Cross Parkway/I-91 south exit. Follow directions above.