



Dear debate colleagues,

You and your students are cordially invited to attend the second of four Duval UDL Invitational Tournaments to be held this year hosted by **William M. Raines High School on Saturday, February 20, 2010 at 4501 Capper Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32209 - (just off Soutel)**. Please pay close attention to the information provided below and throughout the registration materials, as a number of changes have been implemented this year.

Due to the recent change in venue, we are limited by physical space for this month debate tournament kickoff. Because of these space limitations each school may enter **no more than two teams (4 students) into the competition**. However all students are welcome to attend and support their classmates per round. The tournament will consist of two semifinal rounds and one final.

**Registration is due by noon on Thursday, February 15th for this month, and by March 12<sup>th</sup> for next month's tournament.**

Registration is preferred online at <http://dudl.org/urbandebate/tournaments> but may also be emailed (info[at]dudl.org), faxed (866-899-4886) or mailed to:

**Duval Urban Debate League  
Tournament Registration  
PO BOX 28818  
Jacksonville, FL 32226**

**Please email ([info\[at\]dudl.org](mailto:info[at]dudl.org)).**

There will be an donation **fee of \$10.00 for walk up attendance by the general public**. Only a limited number of patrons will be allowed to observe the tournament. Please have parents to pre-register by call the number above. Please make all **checks payable to: Duval Urban Debate League – in care of the Jacksonville Public Education Fund.** Profits from this tournament will benefit the DUDL, support scholarships for summer camp and serve to reduce administration fees for the DUDL.

### **Judging**

Each school must provide a minimum of one judge and all are obligated for the first two rounds. Judges participation is voluntary.

### **Awards**

**The Blacksonville Community Network (BCN)** has generously donated money to purchase team awards.

A schedule and event explanations are attached. Feel free to contact me regarding any of the changes or any questions you may have. We look forward to your being with us on February 20th!

Sincerely yours,

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## **SCHEDULE**

We will do our best to adhere to the following schedule:

<b>REGISTRATION</b>	<b>AUDITORIUM 7:45 AM - 9:30 AM</b>
<b>ASSEMBLY</b>	<b>AUDITORIUM 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM</b> (Keynote – Principal George Maxey, William M. Raines High School)
<b>ROUND ONE</b>	<b>10:00 AM - 10:50 AM</b>
<b>ROUND TWO</b>	<b>11:00 AM - 11:50 PM</b>
<b>LUNCH BREAK*</b>	<b>BUILDING D 12:00 PM – 12:50 PM</b>
<b>POSTING OF FINALISTS</b>	<b>AUDITORIUM HALLWAY - 12:30 PM</b>
<b>FINAL ROUND</b>	<b>1:10 PM - 2:00 PM</b>
<b>AWARDS PRESENTATION**</b>	<b>AUDITORIUM - 2:30 PM – 3:30PM</b>

### **\*INFORMATION REGARDING LUNCH:**

There will be a food during lunch available for students and coaches ONLY between 12-1:10pm for pick up at the school. All debate rounds will take place in designated classrooms (TBA onsite the day of the event). We ask that each school provide one chaperone to ensure all students remain in assigned classes before and in-between debate rounds throughout the day. **There will be a volunteer, judges and coaches lounge** (in RM 111 – Language Room) which will also have refreshments, i.e. coffee, water and pastries available throughout the day.

### **\*\*AWARDS PRESENTATION:**

Awards will be given to the first, second, and third place schools. Certificates will be given to all students.

### **DECLAMATION:**

Competition is limited to middle school students using the National topic under strict DUDL rules.