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November 6th, 2020

Dear Coaches and Debaters,

It is our pleasure to invite you to Upper Canada College's virtual 4th annual British Parliamentary Pro-Am Debate Tournament on **Sunday, December 6th, 2020**. This tournament will require partnerships of senior ("pro") debaters in grades 10-12 with junior ("amateur") debaters in grades 7-9 or inexperienced (3 or less tournaments) 10 from the same school in an effort to support mentorship and growth in our debating community. This is meant as a training opportunity and so all levels of debate at the junior level are welcome, novices included (however some knowledge and club experience would be beneficial as no formal training will be offered). Seniors should have previous British Parliamentary debate experience.

DATE: Sunday December 6th, 2020

TIME: 8:30 am ~ 7:15 pm

LOCATION: This tournament will be run on Discord. Further details will be clarified in the tech packet closer to the date.

TEAMS: Each school is invited to register up to 8 teams. Additional teams may be available after the registration deadline. Registration will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

COACHES: Every institution or independent team <u>must</u> be accompanied by an adult faculty or parent, who may be asked to judge. Their information is required upon registration. We are attempting to recruit enough university judges so coaches can watch their debaters, however we may require your assistance and thank you in advance. Students will not be able to debate without someone supervising.

JUDGING REQUIREMENT: For every 3 teams attending from a single institution, one judge should be made available for the duration of the tournament. If you are bringing less than three teams, and have a judge, *please* consider registering them.

REGISTRATION FEE: None.

RSVP: The link to the registration Google Form will be made available at 8:30 am on November 6th. Additional teams will be given November 13th to schools who have requested it.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you on December 6th!

Sincerely,

The UCC Debate Club

SCHEDULE FOR UCC BRITISH PARLIAMENTARY PRO-AM

Upper Canada College

Sunday December 6th, 2020

<u>Schedule</u>

| 8:30 – 9:15 am | Registration |
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| 9:15 – 10:00 am | General Assembly and Briefing and Judge's Briefing |
| 10:00 –11:15 am | Round 1, followed by feedback from judges |
| 11:15– 12:30 pm | Round 2, followed by feedback from judges |
| 12:30 – 1:15 pm | Lunch |
| 1:15 – 2:30 pm | Round 3, followed by feedback from judges |
| 2:30 – 3:15 pm | Round 4, no feedback is given |
| 3:15 – 4:30 pm | Round 5, followed by feedback from judges |
| 4:30 – 5:45 pm | Semi-finals |
| 5:45 – 7:00 pm | Finals |
| 7:00 – 7:15 pm | Awards |