

Connecticut Middle School Debate League

January 24, 2015 Tournament at Eastern Middle School, Greenwich, CT

January 31, 2015 Tournament at Wamogo Middle School, Litchfield, CT

On behalf of Bruce Johnson, Coach of Eastern Middle School, and Scott Brady, Coach of Wamogo Middle School I would like to invite you to our first competitive tournaments at the end of the month. There will be one open division of debate.

Our motion, previously announced, is:

This House believes that zoos do more harm than good.

Debaters are expected to have researched the topic and prepared their case arguments prior to the tournament.

You register through www.tabroom.com, a free website for the debate community. There are instructions on our website that will guide you through the process of creating an entry for your team and registering for the tournament. We will use this system for all our events.

On tabroom.com the tournament names are "CTMSDL January 24" and "CTMSDL January 31".

The tournament schedule will include a short workshop in the morning and three rounds of debate:

9:30-10AM	registration
10-10:30AM	workshops
10:45-11:30AM	round 1
11:30-12:15PM	round 2
12:15-12:45PM	lunch
12:45-1:30PM	round 3
1:30-2:00PM	awards
2:00PM	departure

We will use the standard middle school parliamentary debate format with three debaters on each team, five minute constructive speeches and three minute rebuttals. For more information go to our website, <http://ctmsdebate.org>.

If you have any questions, please email us at inquiry@ctmsdebate.org.

We hope to see you in January!