

Connecticut Middle School Debate League

Demonstration Debate, Workshop and Scrimmage

Saturday, October 17, 2015

This training event is our first for the 2015-16 season. Please note the important information below.

Motion

The motion used for the demonstration, workshop and scrimmage will be:

This House would lower the voting age for all US elections to 16 years.

Debaters are expected to have spent time familiarizing themselves with the topic and prepared cases both for and against the motion for use in the practice round.

Location

Our host will be the Luis Munoz Marin School, 479 Helen St, Bridgeport, and Coach Ron Rapice.

Schedule

Our tentative schedule for the day is:

Arrival & Registration	9:30 - 9:45
Demo Debate by Varsity High School Debaters	9:45 - 10:15
Workshops for Debaters & Judges & Timers	10:30 - 11:15
Round 1	11:30 - 12:15
Lunch	12:15 - 12:45
Round 2	1:00 - 1:45
Debrief	2:00 - 2:30
Departure	2:30

Registration

Registration on tabroom.com will open approximately 2 weeks before scrimmage day and you will all receive an invitation and instructions by email.

Handbook

The new CTMSDL Handbook is available on our website, <http://ctmsdebate.org> . The Handbook explains our format, schedule and policies. Please note some changes since last year. 4 minutes of prep time are now built into each debate. Each speech will have a 15 second grace period. And debaters are strongly discouraged from reading pre-written speeches; the highest score they may receive if they read a pre-written speech is a 25.

Questions or comments? Please email Jen Posner: jen.posner@ctmsdebate.org .