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**Speech, Debate, and One Act Play Registration**

All students are welcome to register on Sunday, July 26th between 1:00 PM and 5:00 pm Central Daylight Savings Time in the lobby of Hall “H” on the Concordia University campus, dormitory for *The Championship Debate Group*. Should your transportation plans delay your arrival beyond the 5:00 pm hour, please let us know so that we may facilitate your registration by alternate means. The first general meeting for residential students will be held at 5 PM on registration day. Our first seminars begin at 6:30 pm. on Sunday. Please plan to be settled in your dorm room prior to the meeting.

In order to take advantage of our free transportation from the airport, you should plan to arrange a flight that lands in Austin before 2 pm, Sunday, July 26th. Should delays occur in transit on the day of your arrival, please call Mr. Huston at 214.392.0128.

**Dormitory**

Hall H is a modern, air-conditioned dormitory in the heart of the campus. It is new as of August 2008. Each student will share a common dorm room with one other student with a private self contained bath and shower in each room. Students are responsible for up-keep of their own rooms. Rooms must be cleaned to receive your deposit back at the end of the institute.

Hall “H” is a fully outfitted college dormitory facility. It has a kitchenette with microwave, the lounges have ping pong, pool tables and plasma televisions. Clothes may be laundered in coin-operated automatic machines located in Hall “H”. Toaster ovens, coffeepots, hotplates, electric frying pans, and halogen lamps are **prohibited**. When deciding what to bring, here are a few items you might keep in mind:

- Computer
- Pillows
- Towels
- Twin Size Sheets (long)
- Hangers
- Bedspread/Blankets
- Personal Items
- Laundry Supplies



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**Meals**

Lunch and Dinner are provided in the cafeteria. The cafeteria is run by a private company and has excellent choices of entrees. The cafeteria provides a variety of culinary alternatives: a selection of hot entrees, hot and cold sandwiches, a fresh salad bar, pizza bar, and a variety of specialty foods, including vegetarian and vegan meals. Special theme events provide variety to the menu. Breakfast is available in the cafeteria or the University Union or the cafeteria at a modest cost.

**Mail and Telephone**

Each room in the dorm is equipped with a telephone connection. Students should plan on bringing a telephone and having a calling card or some method by which to make appropriate long distance phone calls, if necessary. We ask that students phone home after registering with us to confirm their safe arrival.

Mail will be available Monday through Friday at the residence desk of Hall "H". . The staff will designate appropriate mail pick-up times. The mailing address for a student living Hall "H" is:

Student's Name  
Concordia University/Scheduling and Events  
*C/O The Championship Group*  
11400 Concordia University Drive  
Austin, TX. 78726 Austin,

Please do not send cash in the mail. Mail unclaimed at the conclusion of the program will be returned to its sender whenever possible.

**Clothing Requirements**

Dress on campus is very informal. It is typically warm in Texas in July, although the air conditioned dormitories and buildings can be quite cool. We suggest that students plan a summer wardrobe, but they bring a couple of garments to augment their summer dress if they find the classroom temperature a bit chilly.



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**Computers**

The campus has a variety of locations that students can access a computer for research and other online needs. However, students are welcome to bring their own computers. Ethernet connections are available in individual dorm rooms at Hall "H" and students will have access to the various on line research resources from the dorm rooms. In addition, most buildings on campus have wireless capabilities, so students may wish to bring wireless cards in addition to their laptops.

*The Championship Debate Group* is not responsible for the loss of a student's personal property, including computers. The campus is a safe and secure one; it is, however, always advisable for students to lock their dormitory rooms and to take great care and caution to keep-up with their belongings, particularly laptop computers.

**Classroom Supplies**

Supplies are largely an individual choice. Different students have different likes and dislikes, and should, for the most part, choose the size, color, shape, etc. of supply that works best for them.

**Policy Debate**

In general, policy debaters will need a spiral notebook, at least one ream "briefing" paper (8.5" x 11" plain white), "flow pads" (8.5" x 14" legal pads), and an assortment of writing pens. It is also useful to have something to file your briefs in; file folders work well, as do "expand-o-files," whatever you prefer. Scissors and tape are a must. We recommend each student bring a container for the evidence they will receive at the institute. Each debate student will receive between 3500 and 4000 pages of evidence.

**Lincoln Douglas Debate, Public Forum Debate, Student Congress and Speech**

LDers should plan to bring legal pads, writing pens, and highlighters. It is also useful have some means of transferring files from computer to computer, e.g., usb memory sticks, floppy disks, CDRW's,... Each LD student will receive a CD with all TCDG produced LD materials.



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**Recreation and Free Time**

The curriculum schedule is a full and challenging one. We do, however, believe in the importance of fun and recreation. A well-rounded institute experience is one that works to sharpen each student's skills *and* encourages him or her to get to know others in both working and social environments. Accordingly, we plan social events for the students. Students often use the lunch and dinner breaks to play basketball, volleyball, or Frisbee soccer – many times joined by our staff members. Students should bring appropriate recreational dress and should bring their own basketballs, rackets, or other equipment for the sport of their interest.

The philosophy of *The Championship Debate Group* is to combine serious work effort with recreation and relaxation.

Any parent or guardian wishing to take their child off campus must have a consent form completed and returned to Mr. Huston prior to leaving campus. Students are strictly prohibited from leaving campus without proper consent.

**Health Center**

*The Championship Debate Group* students may visit the Student Health Center or the most appropriate health care facility. Included in the enrollment material is a form to gather basic health information about each student. **Please complete that form carefully.** Should you prefer that your child receive health services from a private provider, we will be happy to facilitate appropriate connections in Austin. Please be certain that your child has access to appropriate insurance data.

**Deposits**

There is mandatory deposit of \$75 for room keys and library books. The deposit can be paid in cash and will be returned in cash. If you prefer, a check payable to *The Championship Debate Group* will be held for the deposit. **The check will be returned at checkout,** provided that rooms are in appropriate condition and keys are returned. Should a student need to replace their key mid-institute, an additional deposit will be needed to cover the newly issued key.



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Students may check materials out of the University library; however, they are responsible for the cost of any damaged or unreturned items. Charges for these items are determined by the University library's replacement costs.

**Spending Money**

Spending money depends entirely upon the individual and their parents. \$50 for the week is a suggested average allotment. The activities of *The Championship Debate Group* program do not necessitate the expenditure of much money. Tuition includes an allotment for the duplication of a substantial number of pages of "briefs" for each student. Students are responsible for their own in-library duplication of original research material. *Students are urged not to bring large amounts of cash with them.* Traveler's Checks are advisable.

There is no banking service available per se. There are several Automated Teller Machines located on campus. If a student does not have an ATM card and needs additional money mid-institute, commercial services like Western Union and American Express are available in Austin.

**Transportation**

We will be happy to provide **free** transportation to and from the Austin International Airport. To make arrangements for this service, please email [Kim@thechampionshipgroup.com](mailto:Kim@thechampionshipgroup.com) with all the information for your flights. In order to take advantage of our free transportation, you should plan to arrange your arrival flight to land in Austin before 3 pm on the day your institute begins. Your departure flight should not be scheduled prior to 6:00 pm on the last day of your institute. A *TCDG* staff member, carrying a sign to identify their affiliation, will meet students in their baggage claim area. Students should not leave the baggage claim area without first calling **and** speaking to Mr. Huston at 214.392.0128.

If there is some reason that you need to plan for airport transportation on your own, you may choose to use the Austin Super Shuttle (512-258-3826) or any other airport shuttle service you choose.



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### **Checkout**

All students should plan to depart the campus between 4:30 pm and 6:00 pm Central Daylight Savings Time on the last day of their institute. Everyone must be picked up by 6 pm on the last day of the institute.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

The Championship Debate Group

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E-Mail: [info@thechampionshipgroup.com](mailto:info@thechampionshipgroup.com)

World Wide Web: [www.thechampionshipgroup.com](http://www.thechampionshipgroup.com)

Please note that the phone number listed for Mr. Huston in this document is **not** a contact number for *The Championship Debate Group* prior to the Institute. Please use the information above to contact TCDG. We will reply promptly to all emails.