12th Oregon State Penitentiary Capital Toastmasters Debate Tournament Oregon State Penitentiary in Salem, OR Monday, October 13th, 2025

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HIGHLIGHTS

- One-day BP debate tournament in the Oregon State Penitentiary featuring 4 Adult-In-Custody (AIC) teams and 12 additional debate teams from various Colleges and Universities in the US and abroad.
- While the format is BP, this is a general public debate (so if your squad does not do BP regularly, don't let this be a deterrent)
- Time limits for speeches will be 7 minutes with very limited (15 minutes or less) prep time
- Specific topic areas will be announced at least one week prior to the tournament
- A breakfast pastry with coffee will be served in the morning, and pizza with a beverage will be served for lunch to everyone present
- Each 2-person team must be accompanied by one judge and they may also bring along one observer (4 total individuals from each team represented)

ENTRIES

- By September 18th 2025, fill out this form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScuBvQwTFfFAFcUpv2jiat000kd2FS10YBB-UehEVkiyf7wNQ/viewform? usp=sharing&ouid=115715730226396345743. Information required will include:
 - School name
 - o Name of students entered (2), Name of judge (1), Name of observer, if any (1)
 - All participants will be required to complete an Oregon LEDS form to confirm the information on the form. A copy is provided at the bottom of this invitation.
 - If fewer than 12 colleges enter, there may be a possibility for a second team from a school, though we will contact all alternates first. Please denote an interest in having a second team, with all the above information (including information for an additional judge/ observer).
 - o **Entry will be on a first come, first served basis.** Alternates will be notified.

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

- The tournament will consist of 3 preliminary rounds and one final round which will be held on a stage in front of everyone in attendance.
- We will enter the penitentiary at 6:45 am in groups of ten (10).
- We will be escorted by staff or carded ODOC volunteer, who will have a paper called a 451.
- Upon entry, a list of rules will be sent to each team. The dress code rules are very strict. This year, we will provide t-shirts to all who attend in order to standardize tops and minimize disruptions to entry.
- We will check-in at master control in which we will be issued red visitor badges.
- After checking in with master control we will then be escorted to the activities floor.
- Once on the Activities floor you will be greeted by the Capital Toastmasters leadership.
- You will then be offered bottled water and/or coffee, a pastry, a folder with research material, scratch paper, pen, and highlighter. You are also allowed to bring your own pen/pencils, paper and notes in a paper folder.
- There will be reserved seating for all teams until the first round of debate begins. However, feel free to move around the room and interact with the AIC's in attendance if you would like.

- We will begin prep for the first debate around 8:15 am.
- We must leave the event by 3:15 pm so rounds must be completed on time: when we leave the activities floor (section in the prison where the tournament is held) please do the following:
 - When it is announced that its time to exit the floor, find the staff or ODOC volunteer who escorted you into the prison.
 - o If necessary, help your escort find and gather anyone missing in your group. Everyone you came in with you must exit with.
- Oral adjudication at the end of rounds will not place (but there will be opportunities to speak with judges and other competitors during the luncheon and during other breaks.)

FEES

- \$150 entry fee per team to cover the costs of trophies, food, and t-shirts.
- All fees will go to the Capital Toastmasters Club, and any remaining profits will help offset club expenses for other debate events..
- Payment will be handled through Lewis & Clark College and can be paid alongside Steve Hunt Classic fees.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO NOTE WITH ENTRY

- Dietary needs
- ADA requirements
- Pronouns, if desired

6:45 am	Guest enter visiting lobby for processing (come ingroups of 10 by college)
8:00 am	Go over day's events and timeline
8:15 am	Debate #1 Prep Time
8:30 am	Debate #1 Begins
9:30 am	AIC Count
9:45 am	Debate #2 Prep Time
10:00 am	Debate #2 Begins
11:00 am	Lunch
11:30 pm	Debate #3 Prep Time
11:45 am	Debate #3 Begins
1:00 pm	Championship Round Participants Announced
1:05 pm	Championship Round Prep Time
1:20 pm	Championship Round Begins
2:35 pm	Awards, photos, and mingling
2:45 pm	Departure



OREGON DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS Request for Background Verification Data/LEDS Information

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