



2018 Cavalier Invitational
Tournament Packet



January 10, 2018

Welcome.

That word has deep resonance at Durham Academy, where diversity, inclusion and equity are deeply-held community strengths. We love opening our doors, look forward to learning more about you and hope you'll bring your fullest, most authentic selves to our school.

This weekend you will be using the campuses of our Preschool, Lower School, and Upper School. Some of your events will happen across the street at the Hill Center, a partner organization born at Durham Academy and now working with students and teachers across the state to help all kinds of learners thrive.

Our mission at Durham Academy: to prepare students for moral, happy, productive lives.

To learn more about how we define morality, happiness and productivity and see how these traits come to life in our school, check out www.thedagraduate.org.

In the meantime, we wish you a moral, happy, productive weekend. Whether you are trying a new event or challenging to win the tournament, you are honing skills that build better teams, communities and democracies.

We're glad you're here!

Sincerely,

Michael Ulku-Steiner
Head of School
Durham Academy



January 10, 2018

Dear Coaches, Judges, Parents & Competitors:

The Durham Academy Speech & Debate team cordially welcomes you to the 4th Annual Cavalier Invitational. We try to offer you and your students not only an outstanding academic competition, but also a pleasant tournament experience. Rest assured the 4th edition of the Cavalier Invitational will be the best installment yet.

Please note:

- The tournament offers **six preliminary rounds in all events**. In debate, we will break all winning records. In speech, we will advance the most number of students reasonable.
- Designated as a University of Kentucky **Tournament of Champions qualifying tournaments** at the following levels:
 - o Public Forum Debate – Finals
 - o Lincoln Douglas Debate – Finals
 - o Congressional Debate – Top 6 Students
 - o Speech Events:
 - Events with equal to or less than 24 competitors – Top 3 Students
 - Events with more than 24 competitors – All Finalists

Please read this packet carefully in that it contains new and important information that will affect all of those attending the tournament. A common theme of this invitation, based on the language and implicit assumptions therein, is that you are a guest of Durham Academy and its coaching staff and, by attending the tournament, you are agreeing to adhere to our guidelines as a condition of participation in the Cavalier Invitational.

We look forward to welcoming you to our campus!

Crawford Leavoy
Director of Speech & Debate
Durham Academy

Olivia Chilkoti, Thomas Owens Bhamini Vellanki & Zoe Boggs
Student Tournament Directors
2018 Cavalier Invitational



2018 Cavalier Invitational Tournament Personnel

Tournament Director.....Crawford Leavoy, Durham Academy (NC)

Facilities Director.....Clayton Alfonso, Durham Academy (NC)

Tabulation Director.....Alexandra Sencer, The Collegiate School (NY)

Student Directors.....Zoe Boggs('18)
Olivia Chilkoti ('18)
Thomas Owens ('18)
Bhamini Vellanki ('18)

Hospitality Coordinators.....Amy Tournquist
Soyeon Nam
Dalia Gheiler
Suma Jones

2018 Tabulation Staff

Lincoln Douglas & Public Forum Debate.....Michael Vigars, The Collegiate School (NY)
Christopher Harrow, Ardrey Kell HS (NC)

Individual Events.....Harry Strong, The Potomac School (VA)
Shannon Jarman, Cumberland International Early College HS (NC)

Robert Sheard Excellence in Coaching Award

In 2016, the Durham Academy Speech & Debate Team established the Robert Sheard Excellence in Coaching Award. This award was established to recognize a coach at the tournament, who demonstrated continual success throughout their career in speech and debate. In addition to their success, we strive to recognize community members that strive to serve beyond their team.

The recipient should be someone with not only a strong commitment to their team(s), but a strong commitment to speech and debate.

2016.....Robert Sheard, NSU University School (FL) (*Retired*)

2017.....Shannon Jarman, Cumberland International Early College HS (NC)

2018.....*To Be Announced at the Awards Ceremony*

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Schools in Attendance

Alabama.....	Decatur Heritage Christian Academy
Georgia.....	Columbus HS
Tennessee.....	Clayton-Bradley Academy Ravenwood HS
New York.....	Polytechnic Preparatory The Collegiate School
North Carolina.....	Apex Friendship HS Ardrey Kell HS Asheville HS CE Jordan HS Cardinal Gibbons HS Cary Academy Cary HS Charlotte Catholic HS Charlotte Latin School Cumberland International Early College HS Cumberland Polytechnic HS Jack Britt HS Massey Hill Classical HS Middle College HS Millbrook HS North Carolina School for Science & Mathematics Northwest Guilford HS Pinecrest HS Providence HS Ravenscroft School Research Triangle HS Seventy-First HS South View HS William G. Enloe HS Woods Charter School
Virginia.....	Broad Run HS The Potomac School Woodberry Forest School for Boys
West Virginia.....	Huntington HS



Tournament Registration, Judging & Protest Guidelines

Registration: Final registration will take place at 7:30AM in the Foyer of the Kenan Auditorium on the Upper School Campus. This is just for double-checking final entries and turning in checks. Please continue to login and change Speechwire in order for your entry to stay up-to-date until we turn off your privileges. After that, we appreciate text messages letting us know that changes need be to made.

Judging: We know that you value having qualified judges in all events; please help us insure the quality of our judging pool by bringing only trained judges to the tournament. Please to not enter any judges who are unsure of how to judge events or are not qualified. **The tab room reserves the right to fine your school if a judge has to be removed from the pool because they are uncomfortable, unable and/or unwilling to judge.**

Protests: Although we never hope for protests, we do plan accordingly.

For **evidence and ethics challenges** in Debate Events, all protests are handled in round and are not appealable to the Tournament Director. The Tournament Director can only help the judge in understanding the process, not in making a decision. For **harassment or discrimination complaints**, all complaints are to be brought to the Tournament Director. They will be handled by a collaboration between the Tournament Director and the Durham Academy administration. For **procedures for all other complaints or challenges**, protests may be handled by the Tournament Director.

The Tournament Director reserves the right to appoint an Ombudsperson for the tournament to handle complaints and protests.

Protests are filed with the Tournament Director or official ombudsperson on duty. The tournament will provide a form in the Tabulation Room on which protests are to be filed. Protests may only be filed by a coach of record for the school, and must be filed in a timely manner. No protests will be accepted after the next round is paired, released, and started.

Decisions of the Ombudsperson or Tournament Director are final and are not appealable.

Event rules are listed in this manual for convenience. However, for all events except Oral Interpretation of Literature, the NSDA rules will be the final authority on a matter. For Oral Interpretation of Literature, the NCFL rules concerning OI will have final authority in the matter.



Lincoln-Douglas and Public Forum Tournament Guidelines

1. Lincoln-Douglas debate will use the 6-3-7-3-4-6-3 format. Public Forum debate will use the 4-3-2-3-2 format.
2. A 4-minute preparation rule will be enforced in Lincoln-Douglas. 2-minutes of preparation time will be enforced in Public Forum.
3. Debaters in Public Forum debate will use the NSDA January topic. Procedures for the debate will follow NSDA guidelines: Prior to the round in the presence of the judge(s), a coin is tossed by one team and called by the other team. The team that wins the flip may choose one of two options: EITHER the side of the topic they wish to defend OR the speaking position they wish to have (begin the debate or end the debate). Once the coin toss winners select their favored option, the other team makes a choice with the remaining option.
4. Meals will be provided Saturday and Sunday for student purchase in both Student Lounge areas.. All meals should be purchased on campus. The schedule does not permit time to leave the building. Please do not bring food from outside into the building.
5. Please eat only in the Student Lounge areas. Food should not be taken into the classrooms (this includes judges.) Please use trashcans provided in each classroom and in all hallways. Do not leave trash on the floors or on the tables in the Lounge areas.
6. All Durham Academy campuses and The Hill Center campus are non-smoking campuses. **Smoking or vaping is not allowed anywhere on school property.** If you wish to smoke or vape, you must walk across the street to a location that is not on school grounds. Security will enforce this rule.
7. The concession stands are located in both the Student Lounge area of The Hill Center and the Durham Academy Lower School. Snacks and soft drinks will be available throughout the tournament. The Coaches' and Judges' Lounge is located in the Learning Commons of the Durham Academy Upper School. The Tab Room is located in the Faculty Lounge within the Learning Commons. Tabulation rooms are closed to all students. Coaches and judges should direct their tabulation questions to the Tournament Director, Tabulation Director and/or Ombudsman.
8. Security personnel and members of the Durham Academy staff and faculty are in the building for your safety and to provide information. Feel free to contact them if you have a problem. Please treat them with respect. Please not remove or move any furniture or equipment from any of the rooms.
9. All rounds are open to authorized guests of the tournament. Guests may flow debates.
10. All team with a 4-2 or better record will break to the partial Double-Octafinals in both Lincoln-Douglas and Public Forum debate. No speaker awards are distributed at the Cavalier Invitational.
11. Please do not loiter in the buildings after the rounds on Saturday and Sunday evenings. After materials must be removed from campus on Sunday evening.
12. Power matching will occur at the end of Round 2 in all debate divisions. The Cavalier Invitational will never lag power debate nor power any round high/high. Each round will be power matched high/low within brackets. If we have to pull teams up, the computer will make those decisions. No teams should be pulled up more than once. We will be using the most updated version of Speechwire. The presets will be randomly assigned by the computer.
13. Elimination Round participants will be determined in the following order: Ballots, H2H, Opp Wins, Drop H/L pts, Total pts, J. Var



Lincoln-Douglas and Public Forum Tournament Guidelines (Continued)

14. Schematics for Round One will be available at the school and online at 8:30AM on Saturday. Round Six will be available at 7:30AM on Sunday. All schematics will be distributed online and posted in the Student Lounge Areas of both the Lower School and The Hill Center. Please congregate in the lounge areas after each round. Do not loiter in the halls or in classrooms.
15. The Tabulation staff and supervisors are listed in the front of the tournament packet.
16. Both LD and PF judges may judge a minimum of four rounds, regardless of how many entries you may have.
17. Judges are required to serve one round after their last team has been eliminated. Failure to comply with this will result in additional judge fines and denial of future entry in the Cavalier Invitational. Hired judges are expected to stay until released by the Tournament Director.
18. All debate ballots will be distributed in the Judges' Lounge. They will be turned into the ballot table located in the Learning Commons of the Upper School campus.
19. Students not present ten minutes after the posted time are eligible for forfeiture. Only the Tab Room can declare a forfeiture. No judge can declare a forfeiture.
20. Do not forget to give points to each debater in the round. You must give a decision in each round on your ballot. All debates must have one winner and one loser. Please check "low point win" if higher points are given to a losing team. Do not give points lower than 20 in any debate. The tab room will raise points to 20 if you forget. Half points for speaker points are allowed.
21. We encourage disclosure of decisions and discussion of all debates within reason after the round. Please keep us on time. If your discussion is going on too long, you will be stopped.
22. Rooms are difficult to find sometimes on our outdoor campus. Please use the maps provided or check the ones posted throughout the building. Students and staff wearing green "DA Speech & Debate" t-shirts will be available to help you. Since hallways may be used for competition, please be especially quiet when moving from round to round. Due to the size of the tournament and our desire to accommodate as many entry requests as possible, some of our rounds may be in commons spaces in a building.
23. Judges not scheduled for a particular round should wait in the Judges' Lounge. Please do not leave or wander the building. Not being initially scheduled does not translate into having no obligation for that particular round. Missing a stand-by assignment carries the same penalty as missing a published assignment.
24. For Public Forum and Lincoln Douglas Debate, use of laptop computers, tablet computers, smart phones and other electronic devices able to access the internet are permitted during events. The use of computers during debates is permitted for both flowing and research purposes including retrieval of evidence stored on hard drives and accessing resources via the internet. Students should not attempt to use electronic devices to initiate or respond to contact with outside parties during a debate. The penalty for violation of this rule is loss of the debate in question and zero speaker points assigned to the offending debater. This rule recommends, but does not require, that all text messaging devices and cell phones be turned off during debates. It is meant to restrict the debaters from initiating or responding to any outside contact during a debate round. Example: A student's cell phone ringing during a debate would not violate the rule. A student calling, emailing, chatting text messaging or responding to any contact from their coach during a debate would violate this rule.
25. More explanations of event rules and tournament procedures can be found in the Tournament Invitation located on www.speechwire.com.



Lincoln-Douglas and Public Forum Debate Schedule
Locations: The Hill Center & Durham Academy Upper School

Saturday, January 13, 2018

7:30 AM	Registration - <i>Foyer of Kenan Auditorium</i>
8:00 AM	Opening Assembly – <i>Kenan Auditorium</i>
8:30 AM	Pairings Released for all Debate Events
9:00 AM	Round 1 – <i>Double-Flighted - Preset</i>
11:30AM	Round 2 – <i>Double-Flighted - Preset</i>
2:00PM	Round 3- <i>Double-Flighted - Power-Matched High-Low</i>
4:30PM	Round 4 – <i>Double-Flighted - Power-Matched High-Low</i>
7:00 PM	Round 5 – <i>Double-Flighted - Power-Matched High-Low</i>

Sunday, January 14, 2018

8:00AM	Round 6 – <i>Double-Flighted - Power-Matched High-Low</i>
10:30AM	Partial Double-Octafinals – <i>All 4-2s will break</i>
12:00PM	Octafinals
1:30PM	Quartersfinals
3:00PM	Semifinals
4:30PM	Finals
6:00PM	Awards Assembly – <i>Kenan Auditorium</i>



Individual Events Tournament Guidelines

1. NSDA rules will be used for all events except for Oral Interpretation of Literature. NCFL rules will be used for Oral Interpretation of Literature.
2. Time limits for HI, DI, DUO, POI, OI, OO, and INF will be 10 minutes maximum. The time limit for EXT is 7 minutes.
3. Meals will be provided Saturday and Sunday for student purchase in both Student Lounge areas. All meals should be purchased on campus. The schedule does not permit time to leave the building. Please do not bring food from outside into the building.
4. Please eat only in the Student Lounge areas. Food should not be taken into the classrooms (this includes judges.) Please use trashcans provided in each classroom and in all hallways. Do not leave trash on the floors or on the tables in the Lounge areas.
5. All Durham Academy campuses and The Hill Center campus are non-smoking campuses. **Smoking or vaping is not allowed anywhere on school property.** If you wish to smoke or vape, you must walk across the street to a location that is not on school grounds. Security will enforce this rule.
6. The concession stands are located in both the Student Lounge area of The Hill Center and the Durham Academy Lower School. Snacks and soft drinks will be available throughout the tournament. The Coaches' and Judges' Lounge is located in the Learning Commons of the Durham Academy Upper School. The Tab Room is located in the Faculty Lounge within the Learning Commons. Tabulation rooms are closed to all students. Coaches and judges should direct their tabulation questions to the Tournament Director, Tabulation Director and/or Ombudsman.
7. Security personnel and members of the Durham Academy staff and faculty are in the building for your safety and to provide information. Feel free to contact them if you have a problem. Please treat them with respect. Please not remove or move any furniture or equipment from any of the rooms.
8. All rounds are open to authorized guests of the tournament.
9. Between 12 and 14 (inclusive) competitors will advance to the Semifinals based on cumulative ranks in events that have more than 24 entries. In events with less than 24 entries, between 6 and 7 (inclusive) competitors will advance to Finals based off of cumulative ranks.
10. Please do not loiter in the buildings after the rounds on Saturday and Sunday evenings. After materials must be removed from campus on Sunday evening.
11. Schematics for Round One will be available at 8:30AM. Subsequent round schematics will be posted in the Student Lounge areas. Please congregate in those areas after rounds. Do not loiter in the halls or in classrooms. Please be prepared to move to rounds immediately after the schematics are distributed.
12. The Extemporaneous Speaking Preparation Room is in the Lower School Library – located on the second floor. You may leave materials overnight, but we are not responsible for them. Please remove all materials Sunday afternoon. We will be following NSDA guidelines and rules in regards to the use of laptops in the prep room. The Cavalier Invitational is not responsible for providing electrical power for your laptops – please bring them charged.
13. Please use trashcans provided in each classroom and in all hallways. Do not leave trash on the floor. Clean your table in the Student Lounge areas.



Individual Events Tournament Guidelines

14. Coaches & school judges should be available for all prelims and elims. Missing preliminary assignments will result in all your students being ranked last in the round you missed. Missing elimination assignments may prevent your school from receiving future invitations to the tournament. Hired judges are expected to stay until released by the Tournament Director. Each student deserves the best judging possible and this can only occur if everyone reports to the rounds assigned.
15. Judges should obtain ballots from the Judges' Lounge located in the Learning Commons of the Upper School. All judges should report for Round One at 8:30AM. Subsequent assignments will be posted in the Judges' Lounge. Judges not assigned should stay on standby until released by the tournament staff.
16. At the end of each round, ballots should be returned to the ballot return table located in the Learning Commons. Judges must be careful to return each ballot at the end of each round. Do not leave your ballot in your bag on Saturday evening. No oral critiques are permitted in Individual Events at the Cavalier Invitational.
17. Please do not delay in going to your round. The tournament will stay on schedule only if your rounds start on time. Hopefully, a reasonable amount of time has been built into the schedule this year; do not abuse it. Remember that many students are double-entered. Be reasonable with these contestants.
18. Please understand that because so many students are cross-entered in two or three events that are scheduled to take place at the same time, it was extremely difficult for the computer to place them in totally satisfactory speaker positions. In some instances, a student in two events scheduled at the same time may be first speaker in one event and third or fourth speaker in another. Tell your cross-entered students during a particular time slot to go to the room where they are to perform first. Then go to their other event(s).
19. Students should be sure that each judge knows their names when they perform. If there are no-shows or the performance order gets confused somehow, judges can mix up names on ballots.
20. Contestants should clarify with the judge how time signals will be given in the round.
21. We reserve the right to move the schedule forward or backwards as needed to guarantee the smooth running of the tournament.
22. Ballots will be made available online after the tournament. Coaches wishing to review a ballot may make that request to the Tabulation Director.



Individual Events Schedule

Locations: Durham Academy Lower School & Upper School

Saturday, January 13, 2018

7:30 AM	Registration - <i>Foyer of Kenan Auditorium</i>
8:00 AM	Opening Assembly – <i>Kenan Auditorium</i>
9:00 AM	Round 1
11:30AM	Round 2
2:00PM	Round 3
4:30PM	Round 4
7:00 PM	Round 5

Sunday, January 14, 2018

8:00AM	Round 6
10:30AM	Semifinals - Dramatic Interpretation Semifinals - Original Oratory Semifinals - Informative Speaking
12:00PM	Finals - Dramatic Interpretation Finals - Extemporaneous Speaking Finals - Oral Interpretation of Literature
1:30PM	Finals - Humorous Interpretation Finals - Original Oratory Finals - Programmed Oral Interpretation of Literature
3:00PM	Finals - Duo Interpretation Finals - Informative Speaking
6:00PM	Awards Assembly – <i>Kenan Auditorium</i>



Congressional Debate Schedule

All guidelines and procedures for Congressional Debate at the 2018 Cavalier Invitational can be found in the Legislation Packet available for download on www.speechwire.com.

Congressional Debate Schedule

Locations: Durham Academy Upper School

Saturday, January 13, 2018

- 7:30 AM Registration - *Foyer of Kenan Auditorium*
- 8:00 AM Opening Assembly – *Kenan Auditorium*
- 9:00 AM Preliminary Session One
- 1:00PM Preliminary Session Two
- 5:00PM Preliminary Session Three

Sunday, January 14, 2018

- 10:30AM Final Session
- 6:00PM Awards Assembly – *Kenan Auditorium*



Overall Sweepstakes Calculation

We present a championship cup to the Top 3 schools placing in the Cavalier Invitational. Sweepstakes are calculated as follows:

Sweepstakes Calculation

For All Speech Events:

- First place is awarded 12 points
- Second place is awarded 10 points
- Third place is awarded 8 points
- Fourth place is awarded 6 points
- Fifth place is awarded 4 points
- Sixth place is awarded 2 points
- Non-advancing Semifinalists are awarded 1 point

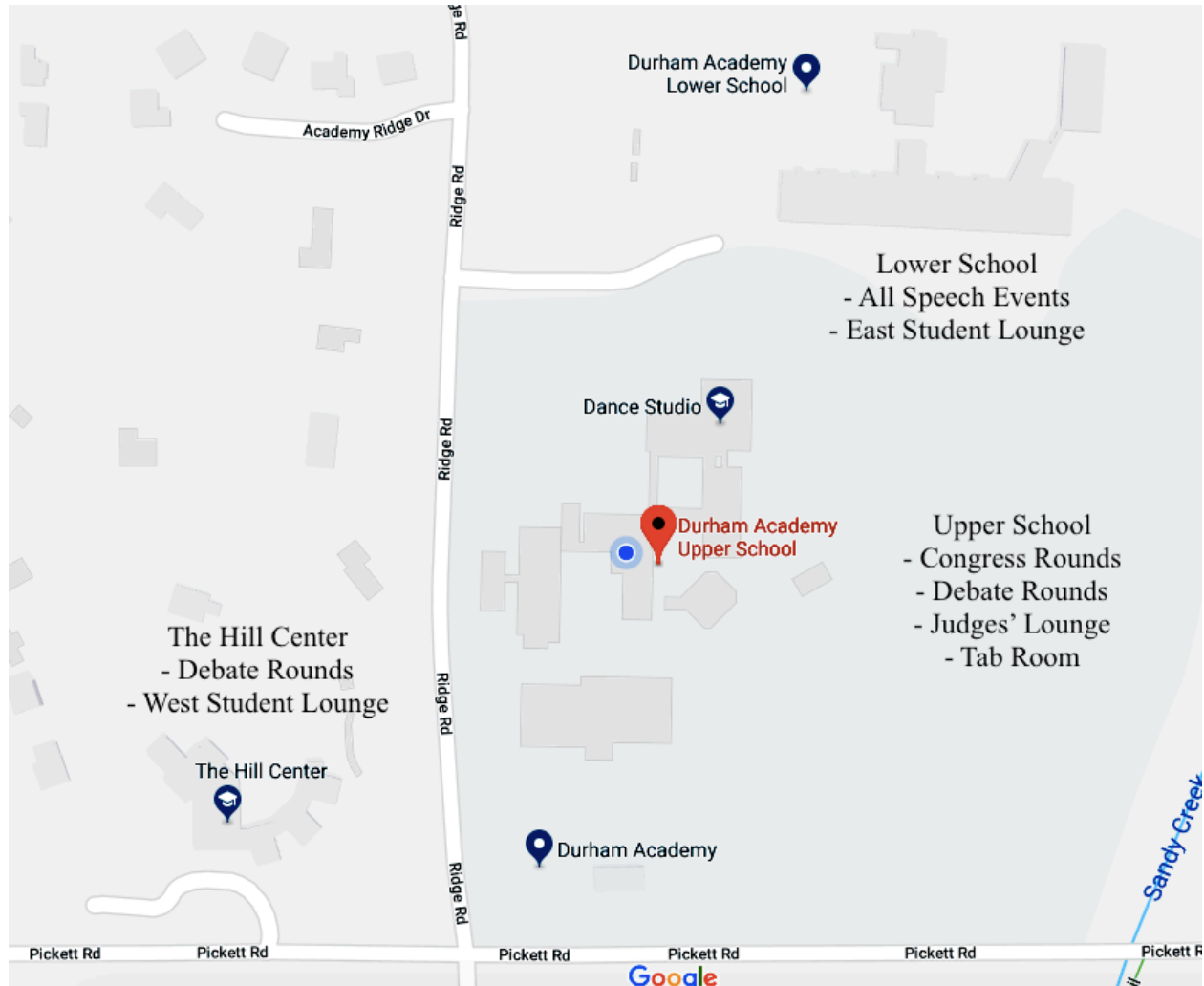
For Congressional Debate:

- First place is awarded 12 points
- Second place is awarded 10 points
- Third place is awarded 8 points
- Fourth place is awarded 6 points
- Fifth place is awarded 4 points
- Sixth place is awarded 2 points
- Non-placing Finalists are awarded 1 point

For All Debate Events:

- First place is awarded 12 points
- Second place is awarded 10 points
- Advance to Semifinal is awarded 8 points
- Advance to Quarterfinal is awarded 6 points
- Advance to Octafinal is awarded 4 points
- Advance to Double-Octafinal is awarded 2 points

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Campus Map



Bus Parking:

- Hill Center – Pickett Road Lot
- Upper School – Kirby Gym Lot
- Lower School – Brumley Lot

Car Parking:

- Upper School – Main Lot
- Lower School – Brumley Lot

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