



HARVARD DEBATE COUNCIL: **PUBLIC FORUM DEBATE ROUND ROBIN**

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

- Location** Student Organization Center at Hilles
Harvard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts
- Date** February 16-17, 2012 (Thursday – Friday)
- Entry Notes** Please complete the attached form and email it to harvardpfdroundrobin@gmail.com by December 1, 2011. A confirmation email will be sent upon receipt. We will only accept emails from coaches; please no emails from students' email accounts. One application per team; multiple applications per school are acceptable. Applications will be accepted after the deadline on a rolling basis.
- Final invitations will be sent by December 3rd. Invitations will be based on previous performance in Public Forum Debate.
- Fees** Entry fee per team (subject to change): \$150 (pays for meals and favors)
- Meals** Breakfast, lunch, and dinner for both Thursday and Friday will be provided.
- Judging** The judging pool will consist of coaches of participating teams, local ex-public forum debaters, and Harvard University. There will be no disclosures, but oral critiques will be welcome.
- Awards** Each team invited to the round robin will receive favors, with the teams making finals and the top five speakers receiving plaques.
- Format** Participating teams will be divided into 2 pods. Each team within a pod will debate every other team within the same pod. The team with the highest ballot count from each pod will debate in finals (speaker points will be used to break ties). An even number of experienced judges and the student vote (counted as one ballot) will determine the winner of the final round.



**Schedule
(Tentative)**

Thursday, February 16, 2012

Registration/Breakfast: 8:00AM

Round 1: 9:00AM

Round 2: 11:00AM

Lunch: 12:00PM

Round 3: 1:30PM

Round 4: 3:30PM

PFD RR Dinner: 5:30PM

Friday, February 17, 2012

Breakfast: 8:00AM

Round 5: 9:00AM

Round 6: 11:00AM

Lunch: 12:00PM

Finals: 2:00PM

Reception & Awards: 3:30PM

Feel free to contact us with any questions at harvardpfdroundrobin@gmail.com.