

Western Kentucky University Summer Forensics Program

Welcome Camper!

Enclosed you will find information about the Western Kentucky University Summer Forensic Camp that will be held on our campus **July 12th - 17th**. There are several reasons why this camp is a rewarding experience.

- You will receive quality instruction from college national champions, outstanding college coaches, as well as some of the area's best high school coaches. Western Kentucky University is the top forensics program in the nation having won both college national championships in individual events and debate. No other program can offer the quality staff that Western offers.
- Students will be able to select from the very latest material. Some 200 new Interp pieces are added each summer to our library. No old material from the previous summer will be available. Much of the material students will have at their disposal will be material used in the April 2009 college national final rounds. In addition, several hundred new scripts ordered for Western team members will be available to our campers.
- Our camp is the most affordable camp in the nation. The reason? We run a none profit camp with the university paying for all expenses not covered by the \$325 entry fee for in state and \$650 for out of state. The fees help cover instruction, material, dorm room, and food for the week. **There will be no refunds what so ever.** Coaches and parents are invited to visit and attend sessions during the week.
- Students who have attended in past years perform better at tournaments and the vast majority of them have been finalists at their state's championship tournaments.
- Students will leave camp with a completely written oratory, a complete Interp script and the knowledge necessary to successfully compete in debate and limited prep. All campers will be taught how to use an Interp book, proper dress for competition and proper tournament etiquette.
- Students are well chaperoned with a typical day beginning with breakfast at 7:00 A.M. and ending with the evening class at 8:30 P.M. Chaperones will be staying in the dorm with students and will escort them to and from classes in the evening.

General Camp Information

Arrivals

Everyone needs to be checked in the dorm and unpacked by 5:00pm on Sunday, July 12th, 2009. Staff members will be in the lobby and will have rooming assignments, keys, and information packets. Important Note: If you are flying in for camp, you will need to fly into the Nashville airport (code: BNA). From there, you will need to book a shuttle for the approximate 45 minute drive from Nashville to Bowling Green. We recommend using Bowling Green Shuttle Service to bring you to WKU. Call 270-781-4321 to find a shuttle service time.

Accommodations

We will be staying in one of the dorms on campus, **BATES-RUNNER HALL**. Males and Female will be separated on separate floors, and at no time should a female be on a male's floor, nor the other way around. Violation of this rule will result in immediate dismissal from camp. Bathrooms will be shared between two dorm rooms, four students per bathroom. It is recommended to bring rubber or plastic shoes for the shower/bath.

Food

Each student will have ample money on his/her food card. This card can be used at any food service place on campus, but be sure to budget wisely, as no more money will be put on the camper's card. Our camp is the most economically priced camp in the nation and we cannot afford more than three meals a day minimum on food cards. Remember, we are a non-profit organization and under no circumstances should any extra money that may be left on the food card be used to purchase "groceries" or "snacks" to take home with you. We operate the camp at a financial loss each year as it actually costs more for you to attend camp than the fee covers. Please do not abuse our generosity. In other words, the money on the food card is not yours to blow at the end of camp, please respect that. There are no refrigerators in the dorm rooms, so if you do want to bring some snacks, make sure to take that into account.

Visitors

Parents and coaches are welcome to visit anytime during the week with advance notice to the camp director, Judy Woodring. Under no circumstances, however, are students allowed outside visitors. Students are not to leave the campus for any reason without the expressed permission of a parent prior to camp beginning.

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WHAT TO BRING

- Enough comfortable clothes for the week
- Any bathroom items/toiletries you might need
- Sheets
- Pillow
- Blanket
- Towels and washcloths
- Bathrobes
- Shower shoes/flip flops
- An alarm clock
- An umbrella in case of rain
- A light jacket for cooler buildings
- Writing utensils and paper (essential for ALL events)
- Scissors and tape (essential for ALL events) Timers/Stop watches

INTERPERS

- Black book/Interp binder and pages as needed
- Audition material: Be prepared for 1 minute Sunday night. Your teaser or a part of whatever you competed with previously is great. If you haven't competed yet, we will work something out when it comes time. This will help us match you with coaches best suited to your performance style.

DEBATE

- Folder or 3 ring binder
- At least 2 different color pens

PUBLIC SPEAKING

- Computer storage device (disk or jump drive)

LIMITED PREP

- Note Cards

**** Western will not be responsible for any lost or stolen items, including money. ****

Special Needs/Medication

If you have special needs resulting from a physical condition or if you are on any medications, bring a statement from a parent listing the condition/medication. Any use of drugs, prescription or otherwise, has to be cleared by the camp director at registration. (Since all campers are underage, any camper smoking tobacco will also have to have written permission for his/her parents.)

Dismissal From Camp

Any suspicion of using drugs or alcohol during the camp will result in automatic dismissal. Parents will be contacted and required to provide immediate transportation for the students to leave camp. There is no smoking inside any of the dorm rooms. Students not present (in their rooms) after curfew will be dismissed from camp. Also, students may not talk on cell phones after lights out, except in the case of extreme emergency. We would suggest leaving you cell phones at home, in fact. To insure the safety of all students, room check is completed first thing each morning. The campus police are notified immediately if

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a student is not present. Therefore, no student can be late for roll call or be in the dorm during class time. If a student is too ill to be in class, the student needs to be picked up by his/her parent.

Fines

Be aware that the room keys issued are to be return at the end of camp. If the key is not returned, you will be charged \$25 (the cost of changing the lock on the door). Lost keys can result in some unauthorized person entering your room. To provide you with the safest possible housing, the door lock is changed immediately and you will be charged for that service. **HANG ON TO THOSE KEYS!!!** Likewise, all food cards need to be returned to the camp director. Report lost food cards immediately to avoid someone "cashing out" your card. We can issue new cards at no expense if stolen or lost cards are reported quickly enough.

Departure

Students have to be out of the dorms (Bates-Runner Hall) by 2:00 P..M. on Friday, July 17th, 2009. Make sure that you have adequate transportation arranged prior to departure time. Get from housing (Also, carefully read the enclosed information) concerned checking out of the dorm.

Classes/Contact Information

All classes will be held in the Garrett Conference Center (GCC) or adjacent buildings. The forensic office is located in GCC 208. Someone will be in that office at all times to receive messages. Students are allowed to call home from that office at no charge as long as the calls are short and infrequent. The office number is (270) 745-6340.

Questions

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact the Camp Director, Judy Woodring, or myself.

Judy Woodring (Director)

Judy.woodring@wku.edu

(270) 745-6340 (office) or (270) 782-6909 (home)

Jesse Gall (Assistant)

Jesse.Gall207@wku.edu

(615) 478-3367 (cell)

2009 WKU CAMP SCHEDULE

TENTATIVE

SUNDAY, JULY 12th

- 12:00-5:00 Check into the dorm and unpack (**BATES-RUNNER HALL**)
- 5:15 Meet in the dorm to go to dinner at Downing University Center (DUC)**
- 6:30 Report to Garrett Ballroom for orientation and introduction of instructors and staff**
- 7:30-9:00 Evening Session - Individual Groups Meet**
Sr. High Interp: Placement into Labs
Debate: Introductions/Intro to Logic
Limited Prep: Introductions/Success in Extemp Lecture
Oratory: *Topic Selection*
- 11:00 Lights out/Bed Check**

MONDAY, JULY 13th

- 7:00-8:00 BREAKFAST - DUC
- 8:30 Warm-UPS: Meet in front of Fine Arts Center (If raining, meet in the Garrett Ballroom)**
- 9:00-11:30 Morning session - Individual Groups Meet**
Sr. High Interp: Lab assignments and discussion
Debate: Intro to LD and Research
Limited Prep: Introduction Lecture/Delivery Lecture
Oratory: Introductions/Topic Lecture
- 11:30-1:00 LUNCH BREAK - DUC
- 1:00-4:30 Afternoon Session – Individual Groups Meet**
Sr. High Interp: Labs meet – Searching for material
Debate: Practice Debate and Critique (use last year's LD topic)
Limited Prep: Points Lecture/Speech #1
Oratory: Choosing Topics/Researching
- 4:30-6:30 DINNER BREAK - DUC
- 6:30-9:30 Evening Session - Individual Groups Meet**
Sr. High Interp: Labs meet - Searching for material
Debate: Theory Lecture 1 – Affirmative Casing
Limited Prep: Conclusion Lecture/Speech #2
Oratory: Choosing Topics/Researching
- 11:00 Lights out/Bed Check**

TUESDAY, JULY 14th

- 7:00-8:00 BREAKFAST - DUC
- 8:30 Warm-UPS: Meet in front of Fine Arts Center (If raining, meet in the Garrett Ballroom)**
- 9:00-11:30 Morning session - Individual Groups Meet**
Sr. High Interp: *Writing the Introduction*
Debate: Theory Lecture 2 – Negative Counter Casing
Limited Prep: How to Use Sources Lecture
Oratory: Outlining
- 11:30-1:00 LUNCH BREAK - DUC
- 1:00-4:30 Afternoon Session - Individual Groups Meet**
Sr. High Interp: Finalize Material, Cutting, And Intros
Debate: Cross Examination and Delivery Games
Limited Prep: File Organization Lecture/Speech #3
Oratory: Outlining/Researching
- 4:30-6:30 DINNER BREAK - DUC
- 6:30-9:00 Evening Session - Individual Groups Meet**
Sr. High Interp: Finalize Material, Cutting, And Intros
Debate: Cross Examination and Delivery Games

Limited Prep: Effective Reading Lecture/Speech #4

Oratory: Writing

9:00-10:00

Kickball

11:00

Lights out/Bed Check

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15th

7:00-8:00

BREAKFAST - DUC

8:30

Warm-UPS: Meet in front of Fine Arts Center (If raining, meet in the Garrett Ballroom)

9:00-11:30

Morning session - Individual Groups Meet

Sr. High Interp: Establishing Character

Debate: Practice Debates

Limited Prep: Question Strategies Lecture/Tournament Strategy Lecture Part 1

Oratory: Writing

11:30-1:00

LUNCH BREAK - DUC

1:00-4:30

Afternoon Session - Individual Groups Meet

Sr. High Interp: Character Development

Debate: Theory Lecture 3 – Topicality, Critiques, and Performance Emerging Trends in LD

Limited Prep: Tournament Strategy Lecture Part 2/Speech #5

Oratory: Outlining/Researching/First Drafts Due in Evening Session

4:30-6:30

DINNER BREAK - DUC

6:30-8:00

Evening Session - Individual Groups Meet

8:00-9:30

College Performances

11:00

Lights out/Bed Check

THURSDAY, JULY 16th

7:00-8:00

BREAKFAST - DUC

8:30

Warm-UPS: Meet in front of Fine Arts Center (If raining, meet in the Garrett Ballroom)

9:00-11:30

Morning session - Individual Groups Meet

Sr. High Interp: Finding Levels

Debate: Practice Debates

Limited Prep: Drills to Succeed Lecture

Oratory: Refining Intro and Problem Section

11:30-1:00

LUNCH BREAK - DUC

1:00-4:30

Afternoon Session - Individual Groups Meet

Sr. High Interp: Memorization and Practice

Debate: Prep Time and In Round Strategy; Peer Critiques of Practice Debates

Limited Prep: Prepping for Next Season Lecture/Speech #6

Oratory: Delivery Lecture and Delivery Work

4:30-6:30

DINNER BREAK - DUC

6:30-8:30

Evening Session - Individual Groups Meet

Sr. High Interp: Memorization and Practice

Debate: Judge Adaptation and the Psychology of Winning

Limited Prep: Speech #7

Oratory: Delivery Work

8:30-10:00

Camp Olympics

11:00

Lights out/Bed Check

FRIDAY, JULY 17th

7:00-8:00

BREAKFAST - DUC

8:30

Warm-UPS: Meet in front of Fine Arts Center (If raining, meet in the Garrett Ballroom)

9:15-11:00

DEMONSTRATION CELEBRATION!!!

11:00-12:30

LUNCH BREAK - DUC

12:30-2:00

CHECKOUT

Return to the dorm to pack and clean rooms. Rooms **MUST** be vacated by **2:00 PM**. Rooms must be checked by a staff member and keys returned to the staff member prior to departure.

MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

Western Kentucky University: Summer Forensics Institute
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All students requiring any type of medication must fill out this form and have it signed by a parent or guardian. This form must be turned in at registration on SUNDAY, July 12th, 2009, or mailed to:

Judy Woodring
Western Kentucky University
1906 College Heights Boulevard #51084
Bowling Green, KY 42101-1084

Name of Camper: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

List any and all types of medication (prescription or over the counter:

Check the appropriate responses below:

My child has permission to keep these medications in his/her room and administer as needed.

My child must let the camp director keep his/her medication and release to my chills as required or needed.

IF YOUR CHILD HAS ANY MENTAL OR PHYSICAL CONDITIONS THAT WE NEED TO BE AWARE OF, PLEASE LIST BELOW:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RULES

I have read the rules of this camp. I understand that any violations of the camp rules could result in immediate termination from WKU Summer Forensics Institute, at which point parents/guardians will have to make arrangements to pick up the child from WKU campus.

Camper: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____