

Coolidge Cup Tournament

What to Bring and What Not to Bring

Dress Code

Part of debate is about learning to present yourself in an adult world. Formal debating attire is required on tournament days (i.e., July 2nd and 3rd for all debaters and July 4 for those qualifying for the final rounds of the Coolidge Cup). Appropriate casual attire is allowed on non-debate days. Please note shorts must be of an appropriate length, shoulders and midriffs must be covered. Students not following the dress code will be asked to change. There is no opportunity to do laundry. Please bring a sufficient number of outfits.

Young men, for days that you will be debating, please bring a button-down shirt with a collar, as well as a tie. Young women, for days that you will be debating, please bring a professional outfit that is of the kind you might wear in an office or to a school presentation.

Being a July tournament, it could get hot outside. If it does get hot, we fully support students debating without their suit jackets.

Note: In past years we have had a formal summer gala during the time of the Coolidge Cup. That is not the case this year. We will be having a much less formal--but potentially more fun--community cookout.

Other Ideas / Guidance

- Jacket or warm sweatshirt. Evening temperatures can be cool in Vermont.
- Sneakers
- Swim suit (the hotel has an outdoor pool)
- Extra snacks. We provide all meals, but snacks come in handy between meals.
- Spending money (optional). There are three gift shops at the Historic Site.
- Pencils, pens, paper, and notepads
- Laptop, tablet, stand, or phone (all optional)
- Toiletries, sunscreen, bug spray (optional)
- Umbrella or raincoat (optional)

Prohibited Items

No illegal substances, alcohol or tobacco products are allowed. Possession will result in immediate dismissal from camp, as well as possible prosecution. You will be sent home immediately at your own expense. **No video game systems.** These only end up being distracting to yourself and others. **No negative attitudes.** We provide a wholesome environment in which young people can explore and debate important issues facing our world today. In order to maintain the integrity of the learning environment, we prohibit any and all acts of bullying, disruption, physical altercations, or other inappropriate acts that would interrupt the learning process. If you engage in any of these activities you will be dismissed forthwith from our camp and sent home at your own expense.