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To: The Principal or Debating Advisor
at each Nova Scotia High School

Dear Sir or Madam:

Your school is cordially invited to join the Nova Scotia Debating Society. The membership fee is \$25 per school year. To join, send us a completed copy of the enclosed Application for Institutional Membership form, and your cheque made payable to the Society. If you are not ready to join us quite yet, please give this letter to an interested teacher at your school or file it for future reference.

The Nova Scotia Debating Society is a non-profit, volunteer organization that encourages debating among Nova Scotian high school students; sponsors debating camps, workshops, coaching clinics and tournaments; and takes teams to regional, national and international debating events. The Society is a member of the Canadian Student Debating Federation, which sponsors annual National Seminars and enters teams in international competitions. Nova Scotian delegates to these events have achieved considerable competitive success in both debating and public speaking events; some of our students have won Canadian, North American and even World Championships!

Our activities are for junior high as well as senior high students, Francophones as well as English-speaking debaters, and novices as well as experienced speakers. Our constitution requires as wide regional representation as possible in delegations send to national events, so we do our best to ensure that students from remote areas are not at a competitive disadvantage.

As you can see from the enclosed copy of our Annual Review, our programmes are competitive with those elsewhere in Canada. We have been relatively active and successful for a completely volunteer, non-profit organization. We are eager to be of assistance to you, and we hope that this year students from your school will take advantage of this golden educational opportunity.

For more information on our organization, visit our website our website at www.debatingsociety.ca, where you can find debating rules, scripts, and other materials. If your school is interested in getting involved in competitive debate, please don't hesitate to reach us at the address or telephone number above.

Yours very truly,

Matthew A. Edmonds
President & Provincial Co-ordinator