Emory University forensics has a long history of encouraging students to use their forensics skills for the greater good of our society. Both as a collective and as individual members, the Barkley Forum encourages service to others. The Barkley Forum was at the forefront of the urban debate league movement to bring debate to disenfranchised students. When middle school students expressed a desire to debate in Georgia, the Barkley Forum formed partnerships to provide those opportunities to students. The Barkley Forum for High Schools itself was originally founded as a service to the forensics community in Georgia.

While we value and reward competitive success at the Barkley Forum for High Schools, we also value service to others, and we wish to reward and recognize a student competing in our tournament who has a passion for social justice work and a desire to continue to use his or her gifts and skills to serve others in his or her community.

Any forensics competitor who is active on his or her squad and who will be attending the 2017 Barkley Forum for High Schools may be nominated for the award. Nominations can be from coaches, judges, or other members of the forensics community who familiar with the student’s work.

**Nominations should be emailed to emorybfhs@gmail.com by January 9, 2017.** Finalists for the award will be announced during the week prior to the tournament, and the award will be presented at the Opening Ceremony on Friday, January 27th at 11:30 a.m. in the Marriott Century Center Ballroom.

In addition to a framed award, the award recipient will receive a $400 cash prize to be directed to the charitable organization of the recipient’s choice and a $100 cash prize for the recipient’s/nominator’s debate program.

If you have any questions about the Melissa Maxcy Wade Social Justice Award, please email emorybfhs@gmail.com. For information about the Barkley Forum, visit www.emory.edu/BF.
Nominee’s Name:______________________________________________________________
Nominee’s School:_____________________________________________________________
Nominee’s Year in School:_______________________________________________________
Nominator’s Name: ____________________________________________________________
Nominator’s Affiliation:_________________________________________________________

The reasons for the nomination, preferably including anecdotes and examples of the student’s service:
Barkley Forum for High Schools
Melissa Maxcy Wade Social Justice Award Nomination Form

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