

Hi everyone!

The Crossings Knights speech and debate team is happy to announce the Crossings Christian Gauntlet Tournament Friday and Saturday on Jan 11th and 12th. We will have all OSSAA events in 5A, 6A, and champ division.

Definition of gauntlet:

1. a glove worn by medieval knights to protect the hand
2. **an open challenge**

Why should you attend the Gauntlet?

- **Running on time** - we are pleased to have returning the wonderful Martin Glendinning, Rose Mary Baker, Matt Cheek, and Lori Crawford running tab so we will try as much as possible to be on time.
- **Sweet Judges/Coaches Lounge** - we will have great food and drinks available and a nice large central location to sit and relax with couches!
- **The Perk Place** (Saturday morning) - our very own Perk Place will be open serving smoothies, coffees, sandwiches, and pastries!
- **Concession stand** - We have spent the last six years perfecting our concession stand when hosting the middle school scholastic meet. Come and see it!
- **Music and Karaoke** - We will have a booming sound system with karaoke! You can request songs and sing with your friends during downtime in our commons area!
- **Pizza delivered hourly** - Friday night and Saturday during lunch, we will have Domino's pizza delivered hourly, so it is fresh and hot!
- **Customized Trophies and Medals** - We will have customized medals for all of our competitors and excellent trophies for our champ division winners.
- **Hired Judging** - In addition to the wonderful judges schools provide, we are looking for excellent policy, public forum, and LD judges with proven experience. We are offering top dollar for qualified judges per round. Please email dsavill@crossingsschool.org if you are interested.
- **Results and Pairings shown on TV** - For the debate activities, we will have a large TV in the Commons area cycling pairings and results.

If you are interested, some things to know in entering:

- **Registration on tabroom.com** - it opens on Tuesday, Dec 11th at 1 PM.
- **Limited space** - we are a small school so there is a limit on the number of competitors we can hold. Please enter in early.
- **Late fees/drops/late adds** - please refer to the OSSAA manual for that information.
- **Entry confirmation** - If you do not receive your entry confirmation and revised schedule by Thursday, January 10th, please contact us.
- **Judges** - All judges and qualifications are due Wednesday, January 10th before 4:00pm. A school **MUST** provide coaches as well as people who meet the qualifications for judging to serve as a judge for the following:
 - One (1) IE Judge per twelve (12) individual event entries
 - One (1) LD Judge per four (4) LD debate entries
 - One (1) CX Judge per two (2) CX debate entries
 - One (1) PFD Judge per two (2) PFD debate entries

- Failure to provide judges will result in an additional flat fee (see OSSAA book for amounts).
- **Pre-qualified students** - All pre-qualified competitors must go into the champ division. They have bigger trophies!
- **School rules**
 - No Smoking (including E-Cigs) in the building or anywhere on our campus at all by anyone. We must disqualify any student smoking on our campus.
 - No food or drinks in the classrooms.
- **Students may enter a classroom if a room monitor is present! You won't have to wait for the judge and can get setup and ready.**

Again, we are a smaller sized school, so **we have a limit on the number of entries** we can accept. Please register early if you plan on attending. We hope to see you here!

Thanks,
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