Halstead Dragon Debate Invitational

Debate Coach,

You and your debaters are invited to the Halstead Dragon Debate Invitational to be held Saturday October 2. This tournament will be one day with five rounds. The tournament will feature **Open and Novice divisions**. We can accommodate up to 60 total teams, although if our numbers get that high, we may need help covering our judging needs.

If you are a new coach who would like to learn how to operate tab, let me know and you can work with me.

- WE <u>WILL</u> BE UTILIZING THE NDCA NOVICE PACKET WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE WETLANDS AFFIRMATIVE. All novices must use the same evidence. Evidence may be moved around, tags may be changed, but new/different evidence may NOT be cut. <u>The packet may be found here.</u>
- 2. COVID MITIGATION: We will be following our district's policies regarding COVID-19. This is subject to change based on evolving district policies. At the moment, masking and social distancing is not required. However, we ask that competitors refrain from shaking hands and to please keep themselves distanced from judges.
- 3. We will debate the current 2021-2022 high school policy debate topic.
- 4. Entry fees are \$6 per team. We will accept a maximum of <u>four teams from each school until we reach our room capacity.</u> Schools requesting extra entries will be notified when room becomes available. If you have to cancel an entry please let me know as soon as possible.
- 5. Any team more than 10 minutes late to a round, through no fault of the tournament, will forfeit the round and receive the 3-4 ranking.
- 6. There will not be timekeepers available, so teams should be prepared to time themselves.
- 7. We will randomly preset the first two rounds and then power match the remaining three rounds.
- 8. Tab will be open and you may be asked to help if you come in.
- 9. Medals will be given to the top 8 individual teams.
- 10. Coaches and sponsors may be called in to judge one or two rounds if needed. Thank you in advance for your understanding.
- 11. All other KSHSAA rules will be observed prep time, conduct, grievances etc.
- 12. We are exploring whether we can offer access to our school wifi for the meet. Be prepared to debate even without access to our building's internet.
- 13. In the last week leading up to the tournament I will send out emails with numbers the week before the tournament. Please help me to stay accurate by letting me know any adjustments.
- 14. Final numbers are due by Friday Sept. 24. However, please let me know of your interest in attending as soon as possible.

Schedule:

Saturday, October 2:

Registration: 7:00 a.m. Round 1: 8:00 a.m. Round 2: 9:30 a.m. Round 3: 11:00 a.m. Round 4: 1:00 p.m. Round 5: 2:30 p.m.

Awards: ASAP in the auditorium

Have a great season! Andrew Bauer Halstead High School Debate Coach abauer@usd440.com