September 27th, 2021

Dear Coach,

Your team is cordially invited to the First Annual Cardinal Invitational, hosted in-person at Sedgwick High School, on November 6th, 2021. Our tournament will have Novice and Open divisions. All divisions will be four rounds, with the top 8 teams with the best records receiving recognition in each division. Sweepstakes awards for the top three teams will be given.

*We do plan to host in-person, however, Sedgwick reserves the right to move to a virtual meet IF our school makes that decision due to COVID-19.*

We want novice teams to pick CASES from the case list, but they are not limited to EVIDENCE found in the packet. This means aff teams can run: Wetlands (or the K WOTUS), Ag Runoff, Fracking, and Lead in the water.

Entries will be accepted on a first come first serve basis until we meet our room capacity. All entries will be waitlisted and accepted based on available space.

**Entry fees will be $6.00 per team. PLEASE carefully read our tournament procedures for safe competition and COVID-19 mitigation.**

The Cardinals look forward to seeing you and your squad on November 6th!

Sincerely,

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COVID-19 Mitigation Procedures and Tournament Safety Protocols

1. **ALL** coaches, competitors, judges and volunteers will wear a mask at all times while on our campus except when actively eating or drinking.

2. Violations of the above mask protocol, which is in accordance with guidance from the NSDA and the NFHS, may result in **disqualification or removal** of non-compliant teams, schools or individuals from our tournament and campus.

3. All coaches, competitors, judges and volunteers shall have at minimum, a two-ply cloth or disposable mask, or KN95 mask, completely covering the nose and mouth, at all times while on our campus unless actively eating or drinking. **Gaitors, bandanas, and other “face coverings” are not acceptable.**

4. We will assign each school to a section of the gym or our Commons to create your “home base” and eat during lunch. **Please clean up after yourselves and your teams!**

5. Tables in competition rooms are to be set such that competitors will be at least three feet from their partner and at least 6 feet from their opponent and/or judge.

6. KSHSAA, NFHS, NSDA and CDC guidances will be followed regarding students not feeling well. Students who feel unwell prior to entering our campus should remain home. If a student begins to feel unwell during our tournament, the student shall be isolated to the holding room until such time as they are able to be evaluated by a healthcare professional, or the tournament concludes, whichever is sooner.

7. A SHS administrator will be on-site at all times.
TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All teams will be debating this year’s resolution—Resolved: The United States federal government should substantially increase its protection of water resources in the United States.

2. All debates will use the standard 8-3-5 cross examination format with 8 minutes for prep time per team, per round.

3. Each school is required to bring at least one judge for every 2 teams, and is encouraged to bring additional judges.

4. Novice is any team comprised of two individuals in which this is their first year of policy debate for BOTH members.

5. Any team more than 10 minutes late to the round (through their own fault) will receive a 3-4/0 Points loss.

6. No two debaters from different schools may debate together as a team.

7. Any rules challenges (evidence or otherwise) must be made before the beginning of the next round. Issues of clipping cards should be argued in the debate and the ultimate decision will be made at the discretion of the judge evaluating the round.

8. The tab room will always be open and it is your job to check the results before the awards assembly. Once the assembly starts, the placements are final.

9. KSHSAA revised rules for internet use will be followed. As you register on-site, you will be provided with wifi login information for competition purposes.

10. We will direct power match in all divisions for rounds 3 and 4.

11. Cancellations will result in rescheduling, substitution of host teams, or byes.

12. No Mavericks unless it is a last resort and has been approved by the tournament director.

13. Fees for entry are non-refundable. Except in the case of needing to drop the team due to COVID quarantine.

14. Coaches and/or sponsors may be asked to judge in the event of a necessary judge change.
SCHEDULE OF ROUNDS

**Round 1:** 8:00-9:30

**Round 2:** 10:00-11:30

Lunch **12:00-1:00 PM**

**Round 3:** 1:00-2:30 PM

**Round 4:** 3:00-4:30 PM

Awards **5:00 PM or ASAP after round 4**