



January 27, 2017

RE: Bucks County Big Questions Invitational

Dear Colleagues:

We are pleased to announce that Council Rock North High School and William Tennent High School are co-hosting the inaugural Bucks County Big Questions Invitational on Thursday, April 20, 2017, **and** Monday, April 24, 2017. We will use the national topic: *Resolved: Science leaves no room for free will.*

We offer a total of six rounds of competition: three rounds on April 20th at Council Rock North, followed by three rounds of competition on April 24th at William Tennent. All debates will be single-flighted, requiring one judge for every two students entered.

Registration permitting, the tournament will feature separate Junior Varsity (freshman and sophomore only) and Varsity (open) divisions, with rounds one and two randomly paired. Awards will be presented to the top six students in each division.

The National Speech and Debate Association offers a plethora of resources on the Big Questions format:

- <https://www.speechanddebate.org/resources/?tag=big-questions>

Registration is via Tabroom at <http://bcbq.tabroom.com>. We look forward to seeing you in April. You should have any questions, please feel free to contact Chris Berdnik at 412-992-8472.

Sincerely,

s/Christopher M. Berdnik
William Tennent High School

s/James Briski
Council Rock North High School