**Ramaggedon Debate Tournament**

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# We look forward to your attendance of the Ramaggedon Debate Tournament on February 3, 2018. We will offer competition in Policy, Lincoln Douglas, Congressional Debate and Public Forum.

**This tournament will follow all NSAA bylaws. This is a high school only tournament. Students must be eligible according to NSAA and may only compete for the school in which they are currently enrolled. The NSAA bylaws can be viewed at nsaahome.org**

# Schedule (is tentative and will adjust according to efficiency and number of entries) –

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| **Policy** |  | **Congress** |  | Public Forum/LD |  |
| 8:00 Registration | 8:00 Registration | 8:00 Registration |
| 8:30 Round 1 | 8:30 Session 1 | 8:30 Round 1 |
| 10:30 Round 2 | 10:30 Break |  | 9:30 Round 2 |
| 12:30 Lunch |  | 10:45 Session 2 | 11:00 Round 3 |
| 1:30 Round 3 | 12:30 Lunch |  | 12:30 Lunch |  |
| 3:30 Round 4 | 1:00 Session 3 | 1:30 Round 4 |
| 5:30 Awards |  | 2:30 Break |  | 2:45 Round 5 |
| ASAP Semifinal | 2:45 Session 4 | 4:00 Quarterfinal |
| ASAP Final |  | 5:00 Adjournment |  | 5:30 Awards |  |
|  |  |  |  | ASAP Semifinal |
|  |  | 5:30 Awards |  | ASAP Final |  |

# The following awards will be presented:

* Policy – Six speaker awards in each division, along with team awards for quarterfinalist and above.
* Congress – A gavel to the presiding officer as well as medals to the top six speakers
* Lincoln-Douglas – Six speaker awards in each division along with awards for quarterfinalists and above.
* Public Forum – Six speaker awards in each division along with awards for quarterfinalists and above.
* Sweepstakes – Award for the top team.
* We are currently working on cementing awards, but chances are they will not be in the form of trophies.

# Online Entry –

Entries will only be accepted online via [www.tabroom.com](http://www.tabroom.com). Deadline for entries is February 3, 2016. Fees and judge requirements will be assessed at this time. Changes or drops can be emailed after this date to jeff.garst@ralstonschools.org.

# Fees –

Policy Team -- $25 Lincoln-Douglas Debate -- $25

Public Forum -- $25 Varsity Student Congress -- $15

Novice Student Congress $15

**Judge Coverage** (judges are obligated to one round beyond their team’s elimination)

* Policy -- One judge per two teams. May be hired for $200.
* Lincoln-Douglas – One judge per two debaters. May be hired for $150
* Public Forum – One judge per two teams. May be hired for $150
* Congressional Debate – One judge per six debaters or part thereof. May be hired for $10 per debater.
* Please try to do your best to provide your own judges, as we have a limited number that we can hire out

# Policy Debate –

Varsity and Novice divisions will have four prelims (powered after two) breaking to semis

## Lincoln-Douglas Debate –

We will be using the January/February topic. Novice topic will be the same as the Varsity topic. Will follow the 6-3-7-3-4-6-3 format with **4 minutes prep time**. Varsity and novice divisions will have five prelims (powered after two) breaking to quarters

### Public Forum Debate –

We will use the February topic. Novice topic will be the same as the Varsity topic. Varsity and Novice divisions will have five prelims (powered after two) breaking to quarters

\*\*Outrounds will be adjusted based on number of entries

## Congress –

Bills can be found on Google Docs.

* We will utilize NFL style of congress at this tournament. Each school will be assessed a judging fee for each six students. This fee will be $60. You can alleviate this fee by bringing a judge for each six entries. This fee will be prorated. So, if you bring three students you can pay $30 or bring a judge. Your judges may only be used for ½ a day in congress, so please let me know which other event they would be willing to judge. These judges will all be finished before awards.
* Note – these judges will only point record. There will be three point recorders in each session. These point recorders will switch at noon. There will be no student vote. The point recorders will rank each student in the session. The parliamentarian’s vote will be used as a tiebreaker.

**Food Stuffs**

A concession stand will be open throughout the day for students to purchase a variety of tasty foods from. Please let me know if any debaters have special dietary requirements, and I’ll do my best to ensure they have options. Additionally, there will be breakfast and lunch in the judge’s lounge.