Dear Coach:

You are invited to attend the Lincoln County Quarrel Afterschool Novice debate tournament. There are no entry fees for this contest. The tournament will be held Tuesday, November 28, 2016.

We will offer four rounds of Novice Public Forum and 3 rounds of Novice Policy. LD will be offered if there is enough interest.

* PF will debate the **December** NFL topic.

**When:** Tuesday, November 28

**Entries:** You may enter as many PF and policy teams as you like. All PF and Policy teams should be **two** person teams in their first year of debate. The tournament will use TABROOM tournament management software.

**Deadline:** Put your entries on Tabroom. Entries must be received by 5:00 pm on the Monday before the contest.

**Supervision:** A coach from each school should remain at Harrisburg HS for the duration of the contest to supervise hallways and classrooms between rounds.

**Judges:** One competent judge for every 2 novice PF teams or policy teams. You may use high school varsity debaters who will listen and write clear, constructive ballots.

**Concessions:** No Concessions this year. We have an elementary music concert that night and I don’t want the hassle of people buying concessions and taking it into the theater. You can certainly pack a lunch.

**Awards:** Ribbons for undefeated 2 person teams in policy. Ribbons for 3-1 or better in PF. LD entries will determine whether we do 3 or 4 rounds, and awards will be given accordingly.

**Schedule:** 3:00 Registration in Commons**.**

3:28 General meeting in Commons.

* **We dismiss school at 2:58 – feel free to arrive any time after 3:05. Last year the policy teams were all here early so we started early. That would be a nice trend to continue.**

**Public Forum – (LD too)** *Public Forum will follow standard competition times. Final Focus is 2 minutes.*

*The NSDA December topic is to be debated 11/29.*

3:40 Round 1

4:30 Round 2

5:20 Round 3

6:10 Round 4

7:00 Awards in COMMONS

**Policy Debate – all novice topic limits should be adhered to.**

**Time Limits:** Constructive speeches – 7 minutes, except the 1AC remains 8 minutes

Cross-examination – 2 minutes

Rebuttals – 4 minutes

Prep time – 5 minutes

Policy 3:40 Round 1

4:55 Round 2

6:10 Round 3

7:15 Awards in **Commons**

Policy Debate will follow the 2017-18 topic.

The Novice topic limits will be enforced.

*\*Public Forum will use the December NFL topic on November 28. LD will use the current NSDA topic.*

We hope to see you on the 28th!

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