

Dear Forensics Moderator,

Holy Ghost Prep will host our annual Grade School Invitational Forensics Tournament on **Saturday, April 28, 2018 on our campus.**

Our tournament will feature seven events: **Original Oratory, Duo Interpretation, Declamation, Oral Interpretation of Poetry, Oral Interpretation of Prose, Extemporaneous Speaking, and Dramatic Interpretation.** We would like to offer **student congress** if there is sufficient interest.

We would also like to announce that this year will be the first year we officially allow double entries. Obviously, it is not required and we do not wish to strain your students, but if you have an eager and courageous student with two passions, then we encourage them to try double entering.

We ask that each school bring one judge for every five (5) entries registered. Parents and coaches are welcome to judge, but must be familiar and competent in each event. If you are unable to meet the judging requirement, the HGP Forensics Team will have judges for hire via our Tabroom registration. Please recognize that there is a limited number of HGP judges, so it will be first come first served.

ALL FINALISTS will be recognized with an award. School Sweepstakes awards will be presented to the top three schools, counting the top five entries from each school. Due to the size of Holy Ghost Prep, a **maximum** of 20 entries from each school will be allowed to compete, with no more than 6 entries in each category per school. **You may request additional slots in each event by emailing Patrick McGhee at pmcgee@holyghostprep.org**

The registration fee will be \$8.00 per entrant. This will be used to cover the cost of the awards. Please submit your registration on Tabroom no later than Wednesday, April 19, 2017. All registration will be done through our website at <http://holyghostprep.tabroom.com>. The tournament is in the Philadelphia Scholastic Debate League, Philadelphia Catholic Forensics League, and National Circuit (US/HS). You must be registered for one of these leagues to register for our tournament.

Registration will open by March 28, 2018. You will also be able to see important announcements, results, as well as receive important email reminders via this website.

Schedule

8:15am to 9:00am —Registration in the Sonnenberg-Keeble Library, Founders' Hall (coaches only)

—Students may report to the Chapel of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

—Judges may report to the judges' lounge (Faculty Room by Chapel)

9:15am – General Assembly in the Chapel of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Cornwells Hall

9:30am – Round I (Speech); Session 1 (Congress)

10:30am – Round II (Speech)

11:30am – Round III (Speech)

12:30pm – Lunch Break (pizza orders available on Tabroom and at registration)

1:00pm – Posting of Final Round Participants (Chapel of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit)

1:15pm – Final Rounds in All Events

2:30pm – Presentation of Awards - Chapel of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Cornwells Hall

Judges and coaches are welcome to enjoy light refreshments and lunch in our Faculty Dining Room throughout the day.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly at pmcghee@holyghostprep.org

We look forward to welcoming you on April 28!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick McGhee", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Patrick McGhee

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