

Dear DANEIS Debate Coaches,

The Buckingham Browne and Nichols School Debate Team cordially invites you to our Parliamentary Debate Tournament on **Sunday, December 3, 2017**.

Each school may register up to two four-person teams, with no more than **one** in either division (advanced and novice) due to limited classroom space. Berths in the tournament will be given on a first-come, first-served basis, with preference given to DANEIS member schools through our **RSVP** date of **November 20th**.

The cost will be \$75 per four-person team. There will be an additional \$20 fee for any observer to offset food costs. Each school needs to bring one judge for each four-person team entered. In accordance with DANEIS league rules, student judges will not be permitted to judge advanced debates. Parents of students debating in the advanced division should judge only novices. We also ask that any students judging in the novice division be experienced debaters who have competed in DANEIS tournaments at the advanced level. Please be sure to brief your judges thoroughly prior to the tournament.

There will be three rounds of debate, and we will follow the standard DANEIS rules used this year. These rules can be found on the DANEIS website at <a href="http://daneis.org/wordpress/?page\_id=31">http://daneis.org/wordpress/?page\_id=31</a>.

Registration will be open from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. in the main entrance to the school, and brunch will be available in the Commons at that time. Briefings for judges and debaters will begin at 11:30. Dinner, drinks, and snacks will be available after the third round. A single briefing for both judges and debaters will follow the registration in the theater. Dinner for DANEIS coaches will be served after the third round as part of their winter DANEIS coaches meeting; dinner for everyone else will be served simultaneously in the Commons.

The scoring of the debate and the standings in each division will be announced in the theater immediately following the coaches' meeting.

Please RSVP no later than November 20 via email to <u>sgetchell@bbns.org</u> with the number of teams you would like to enter. Early RSVPs are welcome; please send along the names of your debaters as soon as possible.

Directions can be found on our website at http://www.bbns.org/about/contact-us-directions.

We look forward to seeing you in Cambridge!

Adam Levin, Elisa Tabor, and Chris Attisani, BB&N Senior Debate Captains

Sarah Getchell and Zoe Balaconis, BB&N Debate Coaches