

Dear DANEIS Debate Coaches,

The Buckingham Browne & Nichols School Speech and Debate Team invites you to our combined speech & debate tournament on **Sunday, December 8, 2019**.

Each school may register up to two four-person teams. Berths in the tournament will be given on a firstcome, first served basis, with preference given to DANEIS member schools through our RSVP date of **November 25**<sup>th</sup>.

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. Per DANEIS league rules, student judges will not be permitted to judge advanced rounds. Parents of students competing in the advanced division should judge only novices. We also ask that any students judging in the novice division be experienced speakers/debaters who have competed in DANEIS tournaments at the advanced level. Please be sure to brief your judges thoroughly before the tournament.

There will be **two rounds of debate**, one round of impromptu speaking, and one round of interpretive reading (in that order).

**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 final 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 final 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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!

Geoffrey Goose, Rémy Lacchia, and Chong Hong, BB&N Senior Debate Captains

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