January 10th, 2019

Dear Scholastic Bowl Coach,

Your school is invited to participate in the fifteenth annual Barrington Invitational Scholastic Bowl Tournament on **Saturday, March 16th, 2019.** This tournament will be staged at Station Middle School, Barrington, IL (215 Eastern Ave). Each match will consist of 20 toss-up (individual) questions, and a maximum of 20 bonus (team) questions overall. This middle/junior high school tournament will be conducted using modified ACF rules to govern match play, which closely mirror the modern IHSA rules for scholastic bowl.

- All bonus questions will be 3 parts and worth a total of 30 points. Each part is asked one at a time, with the controlling team having up to 10 seconds (15 on math computations) to respond.
- Players on both teams may quietly confer, even while the bonus question is being read, but any such discussion should not disrupt the other team's ability to hear the question.
- The first answer clearly directed towards the moderator will serve as the team's answer. If conflicting answers are offered, the captain will be prompted to choose. If an answer is incorrect, the rebounding team will be offered a chance to answer within 5 seconds (or the remainder of time on math computation, if more than 5 seconds remain).
- If neither team answers correctly, the correct answer is read and the next bonus part is read to the controlling team.

Each team is limited to 8 players, and we are also only going to permit substitutions at halftime, or prior to overtime. Each school is welcome to enter multiple teams, but each team must be accompanied by an adult or high schooler. I am also going to only guarantee a moderator for each room, which means a coach from each team may need to share the scoring duties, unless the moderator wishes to keep their own score. Each school will be guaranteed eight games. As with the last few years, teams will be separated into three divisions, with a 'challenge' division, a 'standard' division, and a 'B' division. The first team entered from a given school must be in either the 'challenge' or 'standard' division; all subsequent teams can be entered into any division. The 'challenge' division is geared for teams that expect to win an IESA regional and vie for a sectional title, or plan to attend the Middle School National Championship Tournament in Chicago this year.

Please fax the attached reservation form as soon as possible, or send me an e-mail (jprice@barrington220.org) to hold your spot. You are free to send the entry fee at a later time, but I would like to have all payments in hand by February 22nd. A letter of confirmation with further details will be e-mailed in early February. Entry fees will not be refunded to teams that withdraw after February 22nd, 2019. Please make checks payable to Station Middle School. When calculating your entry fees, it will be \$100.00 for the 1st team, \$75 for your 2nd team, minus \$5/buzzer system you'll be providing. Do not mail your check without confirming your entry and number of teams and buzzer systems with me.

We look forward to your participation on March 16th, 2019. Teams should arrive no later than 8:30 A.M. The final tournament games should conclude by 4:00 P.M. I can be reached via e-mail at jprice@barrington220.org and by cell phone at (224)558-5531.

Sincerely,

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