Long Island High School Ethics Bowl Information

Event: Saturday, Feb. 1, 2014
Hofstra University, Hempstead NY

Participating schools (* indicates first-time participants)

Bethpage                      Farmingdale                      Horace Mann*
Plainedge                     Sacred Heart Academy               Westbury*
Oceanside                     Our Lady of Mercy                 Hauppauge*
Jericho                       Stony Brook School                Bellport*
Roslyn                        Collegiate

Each school can bring up to 2 teams composed of between 3-5 students.

For cases that will be discussed, visit: [http://nhseb.unc.edu/nhseb-2014/regional-competition-cases/](http://nhseb.unc.edu/nhseb-2014/regional-competition-cases/)
Eliminated cases - # 8, “Animals on the Loose”; #12, “After Prom”

Tentative Schedule – please note that we are adding an additional open round and a semi-final round

Registration and breakfast: 7:30
Welcome: 8:00
First three open rounds: 8:30 – 12
12 – 1: Lunch
Fourth open round: 1-2
Semi-final and final rounds: 2:30 – 4:45
Awards: 5

Awards
- Winner
- Runner-up
- Third place
- Best commentary round
- Best response to judges’ questions
- Spirit of the Ethics Bowl Award (given to the team, not listed above, that best exemplifies the collegial spirit of the ethics bowl by scoring the highest on the civil tone portion of the scoring rubric)

Procedure: Two cases are considered during each round

(1) Moderator will introduce him/herself, ask teams and judges to introduce themselves.
NOTE: Teams are encouraged to announce, when they first begin their presentation, to let the judges know whether everyone on the team will be contributing, or whether one or two people will take the lead on any particular case. Both methods are equally valid and no team will either gain or lose points depending on which method it chooses. We feel that letting the judges know in advance what to expect will be helpful. Judges will be apprised of this as well.

(2) Moderator will then announce which case will be discussed first and will pose the question to the presenting team.

**Important note:** The specific question about each case will not be known until it is announced by the moderator at the event. The questions at the end of the cases you have are study questions and intended solely for preparation.

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**Note about judges’ questions:** Each of the 3 judges will have the opportunity to ask a question to the entire team, not to an individual on the team.

Total time for first half of round: 23 minutes 60 total points

(3) Judges score both teams

(4) Moderator reads second case; team that went second in first half of round now goes first (same time and points as above):

Second team presents
First team comments
Second team responds
Second team answers judges’ questions
Civil tone

**Explanation of Commentary portion of round:** During the Commentary section, the team commenting does not present its version of the case, but rather comments on what the first team said – asking questions, asking for clarification, suggesting new possibilities, agreeing but for different reasons. In other words, for this portion of the round, the second team’s responsibility is to listen to what the first team said and comment upon it.

**Note Taking:** Students will be provided with scrap paper and pens to be used during the rounds. They can write notes to each other as they wish. However, they
cannot bring notes into the round with them, and all scratch paper will be collected by the moderators at the end of the round.

**Timers:** Teams should be allowed to use their own timers. However, official time will be kept by the moderator. And the timers cannot be any device that stores data or connects to the internet (smartphones, etc). Teams may not time opposing teams.

**Time warnings:** Teams will get two standardized warnings from the moderator: one at 3 minutes remaining and one at 1 minute remaining.

**Determining the Winner:** Regardless of point totals, whichever team scores highest by 2 of 3 judges will be declared winner of any given round (even if the overall points favored the other team). The points system will still be retained for the purposes of resolving ties and to help the judges systematize their evaluations.

**Dress:** There is no official dress code other than to say informal dress is discouraged (but very formal dress not mandated).

**Important dates:**

**12/7:** Study Session at Hofstra University

**2/1/2014:** Fifth Annual LI High School Ethics Bowl

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