

# For Parents of Students on the Forensics Team

Greetings Parents!

All the information your student needs to succeed in Forensics is included in the packet which can be found online on my site. Please feel free to go over the materials with your child and be sure you both understand the club requirements. This letter is to inform you of what the team and your child will need from you.

In the past, I have collected the \$10.00 needed from each student as the tournament approached, but with a larger team this has become problematic. There is now a policy of charging a Forensics Fee for joining the team. This cost will cover single-entry participation in all tournaments. If your child doubles in eligible tournaments, then another \$10.00 will be collected at that time. Any monies not spent on tournament fees will go towards hosting our own tournament. The fee is \$70.00.

Speaking of which, we will need a LOT of parent volunteers to run our tournament. Please be on the lookout for emails from me about this. The Middle School Catholic Forensics League depends on parents to make it work. Without you, the tournaments could not happen.

The team needs to bring one judge for every 3 entries (a duo counts as one) that attend the tournament.. Ms. McConnell and I will each judge at least one of the events over the season. We need parents (or anyone over 17 – friend or relative) to help. It has always been the policy that at least one parent of the student on the team must judge at least one tournament during the season. Please make note of the dates of the events and choose one in advance that is convenient for you. Otherwise, a child whose parent has not volunteered yet may find they have to tell their parents that they must judge the upcoming tournament to be able to participate in it.

Please don't worry about judging. It is fun and not difficult and you can learn a lot about Forensics! You will never judge your own child or anyone from SBA. There will be a "class" of sorts to teach new judges the ins and outs before each tournament. If you can help out at the Monday practice sessions, it will help prepare you to judge as well.

At the end of each Monday meeting, students must be picked up by 4:45 or they will be sent to Aftercare. You will need to work out with them registration and payment. Pickup is at the Kindergarten door so we can see you out the Library window :-).

Miss McConnell is our assistant coach.. We could always use help at practices, however, as the more "judges" we have, the more each student can practice.

Thank You!

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