

G. Holmes Braddock Senior High School
Speech and Debate Program
Sponsor: Carol Lynne Cecil

General Rules / Contract

Students who represent Braddock Senior High Speech and Debate in the forensics program will read and sign this contract. Failure to observe the rules will result in any or all of the following:

1. Immediate suspension from participation in the tournament.
2. Meeting with the principal and sponsor to determine the length of suspension from further participation.
3. Administrative action by school personnel if warranted.
4. Returned home from the tournament at **parent's expense**

By signing this agreement, I accept the following rules of conduct. I also accept that the above disciplinary action will be instituted if the rules are violated.

Home Tournament Rules

- I understand that I am not to go to lunch until I am sure that break rounds have been announced. If I am unsure, I will find Ms. Cecil (or ask in the tab room) before I leave.
- In the event of off campus dining facilities, I understand that I must always inform Ms. Cecil of where I intend to eat.
- All trips originate from Braddock Sr. High (unless otherwise indicated) and leave at the time designated.
- I understand that if I am late, I will be dropped from the tournament, forfeit the registration fee, and owe a \$25.00 drop fee.
- In the event that I become sick, I will contact one of the other team members or Ms. Cecil, so that the entire squad does not wait for me on the morning of a tournament. This does not mean that I will be excluded from paying drop fees.
- All Saturday **tournament money** is due on the **Thursday** of the tournament week to Ms. Cecil. I will turn in my permission slip at that time as well.
- At no time are private cars (other than those owned by Braddock students or their parents) to be used.

Away Tournament Rules

- I understand that curfew for an away trip is 11 pm (unless otherwise indicated by Ms. Cecil only)
- I realize that leaving my room after curfew is the same as breaking curfew.
- I am **never** to wander alone; especially on college campuses. **Three** is the minimum, groups are better.
- If a round is late, I will be sure to have someone wait for me.
- I understand that I am not to go swimming on any tournament.
- I understand that Ms. Cecil will assign someone to double check my room before we leave the motel. **Any damage** will be paid by the occupants.
- I understand that a report on the squads conduct is sent to Mr. Garcia Therefore, I will do nothing (including running through the halls and slamming doors) which will disturb the other guests.
- I understand that if I am taking any medication or require special medication for myself, I am to tell Ms. Cecil at the beginning of the year. If I have any special health problems I will inform Ms. Cecil. These of course will be kept confidential.
- I understand that some of the restrictions placed on me are different from when I travel with other groups or with my family, however, I will abide by Ms. Cecil's decision without argument.
- I will not smoke cigarettes in hotel rooms or anywhere else.
- I will not be in a room where someone else is smoking.
- I will not consume, or remain in a room where alcoholic beverages are being consumed.
- I will not take any mood modifying drugs.

General Tournament Rules That Always Apply

1. I understand that I am not to go in cars with any other school or coach when attending a tournament unless specified by Ms. Cecil.
2. I understand that all field trip forms and money are due on the date posted, as are scripts, and that not having them will result in being dropped from that tournament (including state).
3. Any student taking or bringing mood modifying drugs, cigarettes, liquor, beer, wine, etc. on a field trip will **be sent home at the expense of the parent** and dealt with by the **school administration**. Further, that student will receive an F in conduct for the semester in debate. Any Braddock student in a room on an away trip where any of the above are used will be dropped from the tournament and sent home.
4. In order to travel, I will have and maintain the appropriate GPA and have no grades below a C.
5. I understand that Ms. Cecil is the only one when out of school who can give me permission to leave the tournament.
6. I will support my team. Should other students from my squad break, I will watch and support them. I will always stay for awards.

7. Tournament dress for women includes skirts, blouses, and dresses. If in doubt direct questions to the varsity.
8. Tournament dress for men includes suit and tie, or sports jacket, slacks and tie. **(Ties are not optional.)**
9. It is understood that Braddock students will be supportive of each other in all ways.
10. Fabrication of evidence will result in suspension from the squad for the remainder of the semester and a grade of F3F.
11. Should I violate any rules, I will be sent home immediately, at my parent's expense, unchaperoned, traveling as an unaccompanied minor.
12. I understand that there must be a minimum of five students participating in a tournament. If that number is not met, the tournament will be canceled.

I understand and accept all of the above mentioned rules and recognize that the violation of these rules will result in the appropriate disciplinary action.

PRINT STUDENT NAME

STUDENT SIGNATURE

PRINT PARENT NAME

PARENT SIGNATURE