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2024 Constitution Bowl Format & Rules

1. There will be two divisions of competition – **High School** (grades 9-12) and **Middle School** (grades 6-8). A school may enter 1 or more teams in each division.
2. Each team can have 3-4 students. Individuals may register and we will attempt to place them on a team.
3. Teams should register no later than one week prior to the event, so that we can organize the event properly.
4. Teams should be present 15 minutes prior to the start of the event. At that time each team captain will receive their table assignment.
5. Dress is nice casual – no jeans, t-shirts or shorts please.
 - a. In Round 1 all teams will answer all the questions. Each team will be seated at a table with a moderator and score keeper.
 - b. This round will consist of 4 sections of 10-12 questions each.
 - c. Each question will be read aloud and displayed on the screen at the front of the room.
 - d. Teams will have 30 seconds to give an answer to their moderator, the first 20 seconds of which may be used to refer to notes, outlines or founding documents. Acceptable notes may not include lists of questions and answers from previous competitions or practice sessions. No use of cell phones, tablets, or computers will be allowed.
 - e. Teams may discuss their answer, but the answer must be complete within 30 seconds. The team captain will designate the team member to answer the question.
 - f. The Moderator will score their response which will be recorded by Scorekeeper.
 - g. There will be a 5-minute break between sections.

- h. During the break scores will be sent to the scorekeeper, and will be displayed on the Leaderboard.
6. Round 2 will consist of 10 questions. All of the teams may respond to the questions, but only the top 4 teams in each division will have their scores submitted to determine the 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners. Each team will start Round 2 with a clean scoresheet. Round 1 scores will only be considered to break a tie.
7. Scholarship prizes will be announced at the end of Round 2.
8. If an awardee has an IRS qualified scholarship account the prize money will be paid into that awardee's account. If there is no qualified account Sacramento Founding Forward will hold the money until the awardee is registered with a college, university or technical school, at which time it will be paid to the school on the student's account.

Example Question & Answer

What three rights are identified in the Declaration of Independence?

Answer: **Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness** – The Moderator will award 3 pts for each correct response + 1 point if all 3 are given.