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Dear Debate Colleagues,

It is my pleasure to invite you to a QSDA Junior Debate Tournament to take place on **Friday, October 18, 2024**, at Royal West Academy.

Each school is invited to send TWO (2) teams of two debaters. Registration for the tournament must be received no later than **October 4, 2024**. If you wish to send a third team, please indicate this with your registration and we will notify you by October 11 if we are able to accommodate your third team.

Note: Schools are expected to provide one judge for every two teams. If you would like to bring a third team, we ask that you provide a second judge.

The format we will use is Canadian National Debate Format, with Junior speaking times of 6-6-6-6-3-3 minutes. There will be two prepared rounds, followed by one impromptu debate. Students will debate both sides of the following prepared topic:

THW promote lab-grown meat over traditionally raised livestock.

In order to register, please email cholloway@emsb.qc.ca and include your contact information, names of students, names of judges, and whether or not you wish to send a third team. The registration fee is **\$40** per two person team, and cheques should be made payable to “Royal West Academy” and brought to the tournament. In the event that a team must withdraw, schools must give at least 48 hours’ notice or they will be charged the registration fee for that team.

The schedule for the day is as follows:

9:00-9:30 a.m.	Registration
9:30-10:00 a.m.	Briefing for judges and debaters
10:00-11:00 a.m.	Round 1 (Prepared topic)
11:00-12:00 p.m.	Round 2 (Prepared topic)
12:00-1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00-2:00 p.m.	Round 3 (Impromptu)
2:00-2:45 p.m.	Final Tabulation and Awards Ceremony

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Catherine Holloway
Royal West Academy