

\*\*\*Due by Friday, Oct. 25th to Mrs. Bremont's box!\*\*\*

## TRCS Debate Club / Competition

### Interest Survey for 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Students

*Paraphrasing comments made by US Secretary of Education Arne Duncan back in 2012:  
"Competitive debate is a best practice to produce dynamic Americans proficient in the 4 "Cs" of 21st century skills—critical thinking, communication, collaboration, creativity, and also a 5th, civic awareness. The experience of competing on an urban debate team boosts your college readiness—and your chance to succeed in life."*

The Three Rivers community would like to offer our 6th, 7th and 8th graders an opportunity to be part of a debate club and contest. We are working with one of our staff members to arrange for a few group coaching sessions for interested kids, but a big part of the coaching effort and supervision of potential club meetings will have to come from our parent community. Such a club can come to exist and sustain itself only if there is enough interest and support from families. **It is not necessary to have public speaking experience in order to be a part of the coaching effort!** If we have enough interest, we will contact families and get it started! We hope to add this fantastic opportunity to our TRCS community.

Below, please print your name and indicate your interest by checking ANY/ALL of the boxes that apply to you.

STUDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

- I am interested in participating in a debate competition, even if it means that I do the majority of my preparation at home during my free time.
- If after school training sessions are offered, I would be willing and able to attend.

PARENT(S): \_\_\_\_\_

- I support my child participating in this club/competition.
- I am interested in hearing more about coaching and/or supervising after-school training sessions. I agree to be contacted via email about these opportunities.

Preferred email address: \_\_\_\_\_