2014 Principios Invitational Congressional Debate Bills

Middle School Division

Preliminary Round 1:

Whereas the minimum wage would be \$15 an hour had it been kept in step with rises to inflation & cost of living, and increased wages stimulate local & state economies,

Resolved that the minimum wage should be raised to \$11 an hour by Jan. 1, 2016

Preliminary Round 2:

Whereas testing on animals is torturous and should only be limited to essential experiments which save or conserve health instead of serve non-essential interests,

Resolved that non-medicinal animal testing be banned by Jan. 1, 2016

Finals Round:

Whereas Al Qaeda has been drastically weakened & imprecise drone attacks have resulted in countless unintended deaths that have only stoked hatred of the U.S.,

Resolved that the U.S. should cease the use of "predator drones" by Jan. 1, 2015

Elementary School Division

Preliminary Round 1:

Whereas doctors agree that children & teens are known to be getting harmfully low levels of sleep due to a school schedule created for a now obsolete farming regimen,

Resolved that public school days should begin no earlier than 9 A.M. by Jan. 1, 2016

Preliminary Round 2:

Whereas no correlation has been shown between homework & increased test scores, yet hours of homework stunt play, personal development & family bonding time,

Resolved that TOTAL daily homework time be limited to an estimated 30 minutes for Kindergarten-5th Grade, 60 minutes for 6th-8th Grades & 90 minutes for 9th-12th Grades

Finals Round:

Whereas terminally ill patients are guaranteed to either endure great pain during their last few months or be so sedated that they are alive but barely conscious,

Resolved that patients with fewer than six months to live be allowed to end their lives.