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FOURTH ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLASTIC BOWL

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University's Honors Programs will host the Fourth Annual High School Scholastic Bowl February 4.

The 16 schools competing this year are Casey-Westfield, Charleston, Clinton, Effingham-St. Anthony, Hutsonville, Mt. Zion, Oblong, Paris, Robinson, Salem, Shelbyville, St. Elmo, Sullivan, Taylorville and Vandalia.

The public is invited to the competition which will be divided into two rounds. The morning round will be round-robin with teams divided into four groups of four teams each. Each team will be asked random questions in a question-and-answer round with each team in its group, for a total of three rounds per group.

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The team that answers the question correctly will receive 10 points and a bonus question worth a possible 50 points. The two teams from each group with the best records will advance to the championship and consolation round in the afternoon.

In the afternoon round, the eight remaining teams will be placed into pairs and play against the other pairs in a double-elimination round. The teams that place first, second, third, and fourth will receive trophies.

The questions were chosen from high school and university teachers' inputs, high school textbooks and college courses at high school level. Students from Eastern's Honors Programs will ask the questions.

Dr. Glenn Williams, Eastern's Vice President for Student Affairs, will give opening remarks at 9:30 a.m. The first round will follow at 10:00 a.m.

The afternoon round is scheduled to begin at 1:15 p.m., with awards presented to the winners at 3:30 p.m. by Dr. Charles Colbert, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs. The competition will be held on the second floor of Coleman Hall on Eastern's campus.

Oblong High School won first place in last year's competition. St. Elmo placed second; Effingham-St. Anthony, third; Casey-Westfield, fourth; and Hutsonville won the consolation bracket.

"EIU is proud to host some of the most talented students in the area in this competition," said Dr. Herbert Lasky, director of Eastern's Honors Programs.