**EHS 2019 Youth in Government**

Parents and EHS Students,

It’s that time of the year, to begin making plans to attend the Youth in Government (YIG) conference **April 11-14, 2019.** The conference will be held in the Capitol Building, Nashville and we will stay at the Renaissance Downtown Nashville Hotel. For more information concerning the conference see [www.canebrains.weebly.com](http://www.canebrains.weebly.com) YIG tab or <http://www.tennesseeyig.org/> YMCA website or feel free to contact Dr. Franks

We are projecting the cost at **$430.00 + food at the conference.** This covers the delegate fee, transportation, and the cost of the hotel room (room cost is based on 4 students per room). ***Financial Scholarships are available through YIG, see Cane Brains website for form*.** [**www.canebrains.weebly.com**](http://www.canebrains.weebly.com) **Doc’s tab Submit form ASAP! (Notify Dr. Franks when submitted)**

All delegates are responsible for their own meals (Est. $100.00-$120.000) and any additional purchases (Starbucks Coffee, etc.). Delegates will have meals at restaurants in the area of the Capitol Building and Doubletree Downtown Nashville Hotel. (A list of restaurants & a map in the Delegate Manual) Delegates will be required to stay in small groups (at least 6- 8) for meals and report by text to Dr. Franks when arriving.

**DETAILS & DATES**

1. **Students** - Please discuss the Youth in Government (YIG) conference with your parents and make a commitment by January 9, 2019. A $325.00 **(NON-REFUNDABLE)** deposit is due to Dr. Franks by **January 30, 2019 (A completed/submitted Financial Assistance form counts as the deposit)**. We must register (commit to) the number of delegates. ***Financial Assistance is available through YIG, see Cane Brains website for form*. Submit form ASAP! (Notify Dr. Franks when submitted)** [**www.canebrains.weebly.com**](http://www.canebrains.weebly.com) **Doc’s tab**

2. The final payment **($105.00)** is due by **March 15, 2019**. Hotel commitments must be finalized.

3. **REQUIREMENTS-**The **Academic Requirement** for all students is a C or better in each individual class. Considering Youth in Government is an academic event, requiring students to have grades of C or better in all classes isn't unreasonable. So, a C or above in all classes by the **first deposit due date** (**January 30, 2019)** and **maintaining** a C or above **in all classes** through the YIG conference is required. Any student with a **grade of F** in a **first semester class** will be disqualified. Any student who experiences **discipline** action from **EHS Administration** will be disqualified. **REMEMBER** the $325.00 deposit due on **January 30, 2019** is **NON-REFUNDABLE**.

4. Due to the limited spaces available a new policy exists. To secure your place to attend YIG; must have a partner and pay the **$325.00** **(NON-REFUNDABLE)** deposit **(a completed/submitted Financial Assistance Form counts as the deposit). Student Registration February 4 -8, 2019. Online YIG website.**

The majority of the research for freshmen along with bill writing will be completed in class with Dr. Franks. A series of meetings will also assist first year students. All team meetings during Directed Studies. **Final Bill must be Uploaded on the YIG web site by March 4, 2019.** <http://www.tennesseeyig.org/>

Begin to assemble 2x2 (two students a team) and decide between the House or Senate. All 1st year people must be in Blue House or Blue Senate.

If you have further questions, please contact: franks\_michael @hcde.org or lee\_ellen@hcde.org. Thank you Ms. Ellen Lee, Ms. Julie Smith, Ms. Mandy Colvin, Dr. Michael Franks