



## FOURTEEN TEAMS TO COMPETE IN LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL ETHICS BOWL

Academic competition at UNC-CH doubles in size in 2<sup>nd</sup> year

The Parr Center for Ethics at UNC-Chapel Hill will host the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Triangle High School Ethics Bowl on February 11, 2012 on the UNC-CH campus. The event will feature fourteen teams from local high schools.

During the competition, teams compete head-to-head by discussing and debating real-world ethical scenarios. More than 100 students are expected to attend the competition. Teams have been studying the ethical scenarios (called cases) since September. During the competition, a team will make a presentation in response to a question about the scenario. The other team will point out inconsistency or incompleteness in the presentation. Then the presenting team will have a chance to answer and will take questions from judges.

Dozens of professionals from the University and the community at large are donating part or all of their Saturday to volunteer as moderators or judges.

Last year, East Chapel Hill High School won the first Triangle High School Ethics Bowl, which featured seven teams from six schools. The popularity of the event is spreading as school administrators, teachers, and parents recognize the value of having students engaged in rigorous ethical thinking and conversation. The Parr Center for Ethics plans to expand the model to the state and regional levels in the coming years with an eye towards a future national competition.

The public is invited to attend and observe students working through ethical problems in action. For more information on the high school ethics bowl program, see <http://parrcenter.unc.edu>, contact the Parr Center for Ethics at UNC, at [parrcenter@unc.edu](mailto:parrcenter@unc.edu), or 919.843.5641.

Schools competing in the 2012 Triangle High School Ethics Bowl include:

Carolina Friends School  
Cary Academy  
Chapel Hill High School  
East Chapel Hill High School  
Hillside High School  
North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics  
Raleigh Charter High School  
Southern Alamance High School  
Woods Charter School  
And two teams comprised of local Home School students