Consensus Trivia High School Late Cancellation Policy

Submitting a registration form for a tournament is equivalent to committing to attend that tournament. If a team that has registered for a tournament drops unexpectedly, we are forced to find replacements on short notice, often by asking other schools to change their plans by splitting or combining teams. If we cannot find replacements in time, it might be necessary to completely remake the schedule and/or use byes, which affect the final placement of teams at the event.

Effective November 2025, we are instituting a two-strike late cancellation policy for our high school events, as follows:

- If a school drops any teams from a tournament after the Late Drop deadline, they will be charged 100% of the base entry fee for those teams. They will also receive 1 strike. (The Late Drop deadline will generally be 2 weeks before the tournament, but can vary. It will always be stated explicitly on the registration forms.)
- If a school drops any teams after the Extra Late Drop deadline, they will instead be charged 200% of the base entry fee for those teams and receive 2 strikes. (The Extra Late Drop deadline will generally be the Wednesday before a tournament, but can vary. It will always be stated explicitly on the registration forms.)
- If a school accumulates 2 strikes, they will be banned from sending any teams to our next tournament.*
- Strikes and bans will reset each September.

*Note that the two-strike policy will not prevent schools from registering for the A Division of the Qualifier or for the Championship. However, financial penalties still apply in those cases.

In the case of teams that signed up to bring buzzers but dropped from attending a tournament, tournament-specific buzzer penalties may also apply on top of the above penalties.