

DEBATE TEAM FACT SHEET

CATEGORY:

Performing Arts, Academics,
Honors

SPONSOR(S):

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PRE-REQUISITES:

none

DESCRIPTION:

Nationally competitive policy debate team. Team members travel to a minimum 6 tournaments a year to compete at speech and debate tournaments.

MEETINGS:

Meetings are held in the debate class 7th period. The course is open to all grade levels.

DUES: Debate 1 is a \$70 class fee and debate 2-5 is a \$20 class fee

OTHER MONETARY REQUIREMENTS:

Travel costs vary from tournament to tournament.

TRAVEL:

Travel costs vary from tournament to tournament. Single night overnight trips are appx. \$80. Longer stays or tournaments greater distance have an increased cost.

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT:

We often use parent drivers and chaperones for tournaments. We also host the season opening tournament for Louisiana each year.

REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN MEMBERSHIP:

Students who fulfill the minimum competition requirements are eligible to rejoin the following year.

BENEFITS AND OTHER GOOD INFORMATION:

At the conclusion of the first year, students will be entered into the National Speech and Debate Association Honor Society. Students who maintain 4 year memberships will be awarded honor cords. Students gain powerful research and speaking skills and get to compete at the highest levels of academic competition. Debate 2-4 are also an honors level courses with a 5.0 GPA eligibility.