

DEBATE TEAM CONTRACT

Joining the debate team is a serious commitment. As a result, you need to be entirely certain that you can do the work, show up for the meetings, and fully dedicate yourself to the team. Your debate partners are counting on you to commit fully. Listed below are the non-negotiable conditions for any debate team member:

1. You will do all the work assigned to you by the coaches. Work will consist of research, constructing cases, and brief assignments to strengthen fundamental debate skills.
2. You will show up to all the debate meetings, or you will not be allowed to go the debate tournaments. Valid excuses for missing a debate meeting are illness that prevented you from going to school that day, a family emergency, or a previous commitment made before the creation of the debate team.
3. You must attend the debate tournaments. Valid excuses for missing a tournament are the same as above and notice must be given to your teacher/coach.
4. You will be entirely respectful when someone else is speaking, be it a coach, or another debater. This means sitting still, remaining silent until the person speaking is done, and not moving papers, pencils, etc.
5. Debate meetings start at _____
Activity Time Days of Practice
6. You cannot be late to the start of the meetings, and you must go home promptly at the end of the meetings.

If you cannot follow these conditions, you will be removed from the team.

I, _____, hereby agree to the terms and conditions above. If I do not follow these conditions, I recognize that I will be removed from the team.

Student Signature

Date

I, _____, am the parent/legal guardian of the signer above. I also agree to the terms and conditions above, and fully understand the consequences of not following the conditions. I will assist my child in following the above.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date