



Climb the Mountain Speech and Debate Camp

July 13-17; July 20-24, 2020

Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers

3 on 3 Parli, Public Forum, LD, Congress-Speaking, Speaking, Coaches.



1. We are leaders in Online Speech and Debate Education

Climb has used online speaking and debating for 4 years and we are ready to make your camp experience a good one. We'll use Zoom for instruction—sharing clear PowerPoints/Slides, with fun activities, and having breakout rooms so you can talk with other campers individually. We'll have speeches and debates using Yaatly, a platform developed specifically for debate and used by dozens of tournaments. Yaatly feels close to a regular tournament with pairings, judges and teams that look just like you see in a classroom.

2. Communicate Effectively

Working with our staff one on one in small labs, you will learn and grow as a speaker and arguer. You will learn the most important steps in making a great speech. Debaters will learn how to refute and defend ideas effectively and respectfully. Speakers learn to clearly and persuasively make their presentations. You will practice with supportive and clear feedback.

3. Build your Resume for the Future

You will build educational skills giving you inroads to a future of success at tournaments and in life. You will connect with other smart and engaged students. You will be able to give effective class and job presentations and get a heads up on college scholarships.

4. Express Yourself

You will be able to communicate your ideas better. Lack confidence? We'll help you feel more comfortable and help you use your fears as a tool of energy in your speeches. Ums, ahs? Not very polished? We'll help you communicate better and more professionally with one on one practice. Slow to think up ideas? Our program will give you skills to speed up your thinking and how to say the right words.

5. Important Issues and Expert Staff

You will engage differing views about social justice, politics, legal, social, and global issues. Build up knowledge and insight on topics you care about. Equality? US policy in the Middle East? The environment? Our camp encourages you to engage! People at our camp feel connected, not isolated. You'll work with our award winning staff of outstanding college debaters and coaches to become the best speaker/debater you can be.

6. Affordable Investment in your Future

Our camp is affordable. Students from families with tight budgets—we have fee reductions. We do NOT want money to be a barrier. Our camp provides the individualized attention, quality of staff and instruction, and amenities of national caliber camps at a low price.

7. Programs for beginners and experienced

Beginners are taken step by step through preparing and presenting speeches—with the support of our staff. Experienced students receive advanced speech and debate training.

Middle School Students learn the types of debate offered at tournaments held at Seattle University: Middle School 3 on 3 Parli Debate and Middle School 2 on 2 Public Forum Debate. Middle schoolers can also join our speaking programs.

High School Students engage in high school events such as Lincoln Douglas and Public Forum Debate, Congress Speaking, Extemp-Improptu, Oratory-Expos, and Interp.

Coaches are also encouraged to join us for coach instruction.

REGISTER ONLINE, SEE OUR STAFF, LOOK AT SCHEDULES, MORE INFO AT:

www.climbthemountain.us/camps

Individuals needing special assistance (ADA, allergies, etc.) should notify us.