

## LANIER SPEECH & DEBATE

### 7th Grade Debate Syllabus

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Seventh Grade Debate (CONT ISSUES) is a class for 7th graders who wish to be on the Lanier Speech & Debate Team. Tournament participation is not mandatory but it is strongly encouraged. We spend the year preparing for tournaments and engaged in other units of study in the Scope & Sequence. Students opting to not compete are expected to complete "Non-Participant" assignments.

#### **NORMS**

1. Be safe
2. Be respectful
3. Be productive
4. Be neat
5. Use the tech responsibly

#### **COURSE SCOPE & SEQUENCE**

- Current events quizzes (weekly)
- Impromptu Speaking (once every grading period)
- Tournament Preparation & Non-Participant Assignments
- Original Oratory/Informative
- Presentations
- Ethics Bowl
- Do Your Own Lessons
- Extemporaneous Debate
- Award Speeches

#### **SUPPLIES**

- Charged Chromebook or laptop
- Pen/Pencil & Notebook/Paper
- Folder or binder for "Debate"
- Other materials as assigned

#### **GRADING**

- Homework 10%
- Quizzes 15%
- Classwork 35%
- Presentations 40%

#### **CLASS SUPPLIES NEEDED**

If you are able to, please consider sending some of these consumable items with your student:

- Facial tissue and hand sanitizer
- Plain copy paper
- Paper towels
- Printer ink - HP63 black and color

#### **TOURNAMENTS**

Information about our tournaments, including our schedule, can be found in the Debate Team Guide at [www.lanierspeechanddebate.org](http://www.lanierspeechanddebate.org)