

LANIER SPEECH & DEBATE
8th GRADE DEBATE SYLLABUS
Mr. Franz Hill - Room 326

Eighth Grade Debate (DEBATE) is a high school credit class for 8th 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.

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)
- 6th Grade Debate Club Unit
- 6th Grade Tournament/Book Project
- World Leaders Unit
- Political Memes Unit
- Ethics Bowl Unit
- Stand Up Comedy Unit
- TJSDA State 2023

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 child:

- Plain Copy Paper
- Facial tissue and hand sanitizer
- 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