

BISHOP KELLEY

Competitive Speech and Debate Team



Classes to take:

Debate– Teaches the basics of competitive debate. The class teaches persuasive speaking before introducing the philosophy, format, and language of debate. The class also examines the philosophies of some of the world's great thinkers. Students may enroll in debate after taking Speech I.

- This class does not require extra-curricular competition.

Competitive Debate– Students may enroll in Competitive Debate after they have taken Intro to Debate or attended a summer debate institute. The class requires competition in 2 extra-curricular tournaments.

Honors Competitive Debate– An honors section of the Competitive Debate Class, this class requires 3 tournaments.

Competitive Speech– Students may enroll in Competitive Speech after they have taken Speech I or with approval of the teacher. Competitive Speech teaches extemporaneous speaking, oratory and other events for competition. The class requires competition in 2 extra-curricular tournaments.

Honors Competitive Speech- An honors section of the Competitive Speech Class, this class requires 3 tournaments

Competitive Acting– Students may enroll in Competitive Acting after they have taken Principles of Drama or with the approval of the teacher. Competitive Acting teaches Dramatic and Humorous Interpretation, Prose, Poetry, and Monologue. The class requires competition in 2 extra-curricular tournaments.

COACHES

Mrs. Erin Clark, Ms. Linda Shipley,

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Team Accomplishments

- State Champions 2011-2013
- Academic Team Champions 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016
- State Runner-up 2010
- 3rd place State 2014
- Regional Champions for 21 continuous years (1996-2016)
- 1 National Qualifier in 2015
- 6 National Qualifiers in 2013
 - 1 National Champion in Extemp Commentary
 - 2 Additional Top 10 Finishers in Impromptu and Expository
- 8 National Qualifiers in 2012
 - 1 student- 11th in LD Debate
 - 1 student– Top 60 in DEX
- NFL 100 Club– BK Speech and Debate Team is in the Top 10% of teams Nationally.

Competition

Team members participate in NSDA (National Speech and Debate Assoc.) and OSSAA-sponsored competitions in speech, drama, and debate from November through April. Participation in local tournaments can qualify team members for regional, state, and national competitions.

Honor Society

Team members earn membership in the National Forensic League, a nationally recognized speech and debate honor society.



If you would like to have more information about the program or summer camp at Cameron University, please email speech@bishopkelley.org