

NCS Competitive Debate & Public Speaking Application

Please return completed application to Mrs. Arthur's office.

Only sixteen students will be chosen for the 7th and 8th grade Competitive Debate & Public School Class. Selection will be based on recommendations from current teachers, grades in academic courses, and conduct. Students with a 4 or 5 in conduct in any course may not apply. The Northland Academic Committee will notify you if you have been chosen for this course.

Student Name: _____

Grade 2022-2023 School Year: _____

Middle School Competitive Debate & Public Speaking Expectations

1. Desire to compete in speech and debate competitions.
2. Willingness to give Best Effort on all activities and assignments.
3. Ability to work independently and as a member of a team on assignments both inside and outside of class.
4. Ability to stay on task and follow instructions.
5. Attendance at a minimum of two debate tournaments; as soon as the dates are set, communication will be sent out. Competition attendance will be a test grade.
6. Ability to attend after school practices before tournaments.
7. At least one semester experience of a MS Debate class at NCS (or equivalent of class at previous school).

I am able to meet all of the expectations above and would like to apply for 2022-2023 Middle School Competitive Public Speaking & Debate Class.

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Questions (to be answered by students in their own handwriting):

1. What experience do you have with public speaking & debate?
2. Why would you like to enroll in Middle School Competitive Debate & Public Speaking?
3. How do you think you will benefit from this program?
4. What events are you interested in competing at tournaments and why?
5. If you have participated in a debate tournament, what aspect of the competition did you enjoy the most and why? What aspect of the competition did you find the most challenging and why?
6. Please list any other extra curricular activities that you know you will be participating in for the 2022-2023 school year.