

DEBATE RUBRIC

Category	Presidential Debates	The Senate Floor	Student Council Election	Not Yet	Score
	90-100%	70-89%	60-69%	0-59%	
Addresses Issues	Always stays on topic	Usually addresses topic	Rarely addresses topic	Did not address topic	
Support with Facts	Uses many facts that support topic	Uses some facts that support topic	Uses few facts that support topic	Does not use facts that support topic	
Persuasiveness	Arguments clear and convincing	Arguments are sometimes clear and convincing	Arguments are rarely clear and convincing	Arguments are never clear and convincing	
Teamwork	Great collaboration between team members Used team members engage in the debate Equal timing	Lack of collaboration before and during the debate. One member does the talking 75% of the time	Lack of collaboration before and during the debate. One member does all the talking	Lack of collaboration before and during the debate. Lack of a cohesive verbal argument.	
Organization and Presentation	Electrifies audience in opening statement Arguments and rebuttals are always convincing and supported by evidence. Closure convinces audience	Grabs attention Arguments and rebuttals are often convincing and supported by evidence. Brings closure to the debate	Introduces topic Arguments and rebuttals are rarely convincing or supported by evidence. Brings some closure to the debate	Does not introduce topic; Arguments and rebuttals are not convincing and supported by evidence. no closure	
Works Cited	A written works cited page is provided. All evidence (facts/quotes/statistics/etc.) is written in a list in the order they will appear in the debate and each one has an in-text citation identifying the source of the evidence.	n/a	n/a	Works Cited page, facts page, and in-text citations are not perfectly done.	