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MISSION

The NSDA connects, supports, and inspires a diverse community committed to empowering students through speech and debate.

VISION

The NSDA envisions a world in which every school provides speech and debate programs to foster each student’s communication, collaboration, critical thinking, and creative skills.

MEMBERSHIP DATA

www.speechanddebate.org/membership-database

140k STUDENTS
3.9k COACHES
2m ALUMNI
3k SCHOOLS
NOTABLE ALUMNI

Many NSDA members have risen to the pinnacle of their respective fields, including Supreme Court justices Ketanji Brown Jackson and Sonia Sotomayor, media visionaries Tom Llamas and Stephen Colbert, Academy Award winners Jordan Peele and Brad Pitt, and more.

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SOCIAL MEDIA  @speechanddebate

6.8 MILLION IMPRESSIONS  LAST YEAR

300k ENGAGEMENTS  LAST YEAR

FACEBOOK  34k followers

TWITTER  14.1k followers

INSTAGRAM  16.3k followers

LINKEDIN  4k followers
The National Speech & Debate Tournament marks the capstone of speech and debate activities for more than 140,000 members across the country. The student competitors represent the best and brightest young people across the United States and the globe. The tournament is a moving reminder of how the skills students learn in speech and debate empower them to be changemakers, advocates, and future leaders of our world. Watch their final round performances:

https://tinyurl.com/mrptfyzv

TOURNAMENT STATISTICS
2022 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT (ONLINE AND IN-PERSON)

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“We believe that effective communication skills and knowledge of the issues impacting millions of people around the world are essential for empowering young people to become engaged citizens, skilled professionals, and honorable leaders,” said J. Scott Wunn, Executive Director of the National Speech & Debate Association. “Experience the power of students using their words for change this June.”

“[Speech and debate] was an experience that I can say without hesitation was the one activity that best prepared me for future success in law and in life,” said Ketanji Brown Jackson, Justice, U.S. Supreme Court.

PROGRAM WEBSITE
www.speechanddebate.org/national-tournament-2023

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