

Where **SPEECH & DEBATE** can take **YOU**

- *National competition*
- *College opportunities.*
- *Community that lasts.*



COMPETE LOCALLY AND NATIONALLY



66 **Attending nationals is an eye-opening opportunity. Being surrounded by other students across the country with the same love, talent, and passion for speech and debate fosters a sense of belonging in our community.**⁹⁹

— BRIANNA ZHANG, CLASS OF 2026
Portage Central High School, MI

- ✓ **BUILD CONFIDENCE** through every round
- ✓ **CONNECT** with students who share your interests
- ✓ **CHALLENGE** yourself and celebrate your progress
- ✓ **GAIN** recognition and national rankings

STAND OUT IN COLLEGE ADMISSIONS



Top 10 College Enrollment

NSDA 5%

1% NATIONAL

Top 25 College Enrollment

NSDA 11%

2% NATIONAL

Top 50 College Enrollment

NSDA 17%

NATIONAL 8%

Based on 1,963 surveys collected from the NSDA class of 2019.

“Students who are members of the National Speech & Debate Association’s Honor Society stand out in the college admissions process.”

— KATIE BYRNES
College Counselor

- ✓ Recognized **HONOR SOCIETY** membership
- ✓ **DEMONSTRATES RIGOR** beyond the classroom
- ✓ Shows **CRITICAL THINKING, COMMUNICATION,** and **LEADERSHIP**

COMMUNITY CONNECTION



College Connections

- Meet admissions reps at Nationals
- Explore programs and scholarships



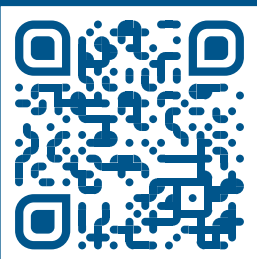
Career Skills

- Interview confidence
- Persuasive communication
- Real-world problem solving



Lifelong Network

- Friends and peers across the country
- Alumni connections



Ready to **FIND YOUR VOICE**
and **BUILD YOUR FUTURE?**

Visit www.speechanddebate.org or talk to your school’s speech and debate coach or to get started!