Rules for Debate

* Two member teams are allowed if one member drops out and the remaining two members are willing to do the work of three.
* Do not interrupt speaker.
* NO putdowns!
* Speakers must use appropriate hand gesture to speak during crossfire.
* Judges must recognize speaker before they begin speaking.
* Speakers are not to make eye contact with the opposing team during the crossfire (they should have each team stand side by side).
* NO new evidence should be mentioned during the summaries.
* NO electronic devices can be used by anyone during the debate.
* Hold all applause until the end of the debate.
* When time is called, the student speaking may finish his/her sentence.