Debate

Tuesdays & Thursdays

3:45-5:30 Grades 5-8



Yinghua Middle School Debate Program

In partnership with the **Urban Debate League**, the Yinghua Middle School Debate program engages students in grades 5–8 in developing skills in **public speaking**, **critical thinking**, **and collaborative teamwork**.

The debate team meets **twice a week from** 3:45–5:30 p.m.

Students debate relevant current issues using a **structured competitive format** that promotes respectful discourse and confidence in public presentation.

Family Engagement Opportunity: Parents are encouraged to volunteer as judges and drivers to support students during practice rounds and mock debates.

The Details:

Cost: \$350 per debate season (November–March). Need-based financial assistance is available. Families seeking support may contact Dr. Lien directly.

Aftercare Notice:

This fee does not include aftercare services.

Families requiring pick-up **after 5:30 p.m.** will be billed separately under the school's aftercare program.

If a student is not registered for aftercare and remains on campus past 5:30 p.m., coaches will need to stay with them until they are picked up.

If a coach is unavailable and the student is transferred to aftercare, the aftercare late pick-up policy and associated fees will apply.

Session Details: Debate will run from November 4 to mid-March, covering three terms. The program fee includes coaching, class materials, and all competition entry fees for the full season.

The first team meeting will take place on **November 4.**

Debate tournaments will be scheduled on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday afternoons, typically from 3:30–7:30 p.m.

Registration Information

Registration opens on October 17 at 12:00 p.m.

All enrichment classes, including Debate, can be enrolled through **Infinite Campus**, where full class descriptions and details are available.

Payment is due at the time of registration. Once payment is processed, you will receive a confirmation that your registration and payment have been accepted.

After receiving confirmation, please **update your child's Silent Dismissal to "Debate" on enrichment days**.

Madden Keroff is one of our ELA team members. She leads students with enthusiasm for learning and enjoys seeing them work together, using their critical thinking skills to discuss various topics.