



Heideman Elementary

ACLA Heideman Road Runner Debate

This debate format requires a two person team, below is the format. Topics will be similar to SPAR topics and will not require extensive research. This debate format is designed to foster teamwork and collaboration.

Topic strikes: The teams will be given three topics. The opposition/negative/con team will be given the first option to strike a topic. Then affirmative/Pro team will strike a topic. The topic left unstricken will be debated. Teams will have 1 minute each to decide what topic will be stricken (2 minutes total).

Debate format

After the topic has been chosen, team will have 5 minutes to develop a case.

3 minutes Affirmative Case (1st Pro Speaker)

2 minute cross examination by 2nd Negative Speaker

3 minutes Negative Case (1st Con Speaker)

2 minute cross examination by 2nd Affirmative Speaker

2 minutes Rebuttal Preparation

3 minute Affirmative Rebuttal (2nd Pro Speaker)

3 minute Negative Rebuttal (2nd Con Speaker)