

## 2019 TDL Mentor Code of Conduct



*You are part of the student outreach that will set the standard for participation, relationship building with peers in the local public schools, and outreach to those who don't have an opportunity to participate in speech and debate activities at their school.*

*Because this is a service program, you are required to make participation **your first priority** after your academic responsibilities. This program participation must come before athletic activities (exception of competition), work and other club or school activities. You will be building relationships with peers that will rely on you for feedback and consistent contact. Therefore, you must be available for each meeting. Tournaments will be impossible without a large group of people to run tabroom, deliver speeches, set up competition spaces, provide refreshments and participate in the award ceremony. Your obligation will include all semi-monthly (twice a month) trips to a DPS/Wake County school. You should attempt to participate in as many tournaments as possible.*

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1. Complete the mentor training module.
2. Be on time to depart for DPS/Wake County or tournament location.
3. Be prepared to engage on research, presentation and cross examination work with your peer.
4. Report any concerns to your Speech and Debate Coach immediately.
  - a. If a student expresses concern about a College Coach, a DPS/Wake County teacher or another student.
  - b. If a student expresses concerns about a family or personal circumstance.
  - c. If you suspect a problem that has not been communicated directly to you.
  - d. If you have any problem with communications or interactions directed to you from a DPS student, College Coach, DPS/Wake County teacher or any other person you interact with at any location.
5. Conduct yourself in a positive, respectful and helpful manner. We are not coming to teach what we learn in our environment, but to act as a respectful peer and teammate.
6. To provide positive and specific productive critique when requested by a DPS/Wake County students.
7. To engage with other Cary Academy and Partner School students and University Coaches in a positive way. Any communication with others regarding DPS/Wake County students should be respectful and specifically to help students improve.
8. To encourage participation in the activity with other students, including recruitment activities to improve diversity in debate activities.
9. To have fun and always operate in a spirit of team work and comradery.

**I you have any questions or feel like you cannot make this commitment, please contact your TDL Mentor Representative of [mentoring@triangledebate.com](mailto:mentoring@triangledebate.com) if you have any questions. By acknowledging this document in the 2019 TDL Mentor Certification Quiz, you agree to abide by its tenets.**