

Instructions for Completing the 2019-2020 TRIANGLE DEBATE LEAGUE STUDENT AUTHORIZATION FORM



1. Have your parent or guardian carefully review, complete, and sign the appended form.
2. Return the signed form to your faculty sponsor
3. Email an image or copy of the form to: **student-registration@triangledebate.com** with the subject line: "Student Registration for <your_name> at <your_school>".

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your student's high school has given Triangle Debate League (TDL) the opportunity to work with students on Congressional Debate on a weekly basis at the school and to sponsor 3 to 4 off-site tournaments per academic year. We are delighted that your student has expressed an interest in participating in the League and need your authorization to enable this fantastic educational opportunity!

Participating in debate has shown to improve test scores, graduation rates, college admission rates, attendance rates and overall academic performance. Debate teaches the skills of public speaking, critical analysis, research and current event engagement. Moreover, your student will not be required to miss any classes in order to participate.

Participation in this event includes once-weekly after-school (4:15-5:45) training sessions at your student's school, supervised by a faculty sponsor from the school, and conducted by trained and vetted coaches from university coaching chapters associated with TDL. Twice monthly, these sessions will also include peer collaboration with students and coaches from local debate teams in the Tarheel Forensics League (www.ncspeechanddebate.org), which are affiliated with TDL. After-practice transportation may be provided by your student's school. By signing this form you agree that your student is either authorized use the school's transportation, subject to its policies, or that you will be responsible for safe and timely after-practice transportation for your student. Practice sessions will typically commence immediately after school and conclude by 5:45. Up-to-date information on practice logistics for your student's school can be found at www.triangledebate.com.

TDL will sponsor up to four offsite tournaments a year hosted by Cary Academy and its debate team, the Duke Association of Debate Coaches on the Duke campus, or one of the participating schools in the League. Transportation to and from these events, picking up and dropping off at your child's school, will be provided by Cary Academy vehicles driven by Cary Academy approved and trained drivers. By signing this form, you release Cary Academy from liability for injuries sustained by your student during the course of this transportation and to release the hosting institution from liability for injuries sustained on their campus. You also agree to be responsible for timely and safe transportation for your student after they are dropped off at their school's designated drop-off location and time. Pickup for these tournaments will typically be immediately after school and students will typically be dropped off at 9pm. Up-to-date information on tournament logistics can be found at www.triangledebate.com.

Your student's participation in the Triangle Debate League is subject to your timely approval, conveyed by signing this form, which must be returned to the school faculty sponsor and conveyed electronically to the Triangle Debate League by email to student-registration@triangledebate.com.

As parent/guardian of _____ I hereby authorize
(Print student's name in full)

them to participate in the Triangle Debate League as described above.

(Signature of parent/guardian)

(Date)

During the course of sanctioned TDL activities, like training sessions and tournaments, TDL may take photographs or videos to be used in sanctioned TDL publications, websites, or social media sites. If you do not wish your child's image to be used in this way, you must opt out by completing the following.

PERMISSION FOR PHOTOGRAPHY

As parent/guardian of _____ I DO or DO NOT (circle)
(Print student's name in full)

hereby give permission for my student to be included in Triangle Debate League photography.

(Signature of parent/guardian)

(Date)

EMERGENCY CONTACTS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION

Emergency Contact

(Phone)

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(Phone)

In the event of an emergency in which I cannot be reached at the above numbers, as their parent/guardian, I hereby authorized Triangle Debate League representatives, at their discretion, to seek medical attention _____.
(Print student's name in full)

Please note any special dietary, religious, or other needs that should be observed during the course of TDL activities. The Triangle Debate League, to the greatest extent possible within its means, will seek to accommodate these needs.

