



Marist High School  
Speech and Debate Team  
Parent Contract

As parents of students participating on the Marist High School Speech & Debate team, it is essential for you to understand the activity your student is participating in and why you are key to our success.

Please watch the following Parent Training Video to understand 3 key areas that you will need to help us with:

<https://youtu.be/ZC5yVjOF80>

Here are a few other things helpful to know:

- I need to be able to communicate with you, and I can no longer use traditional text messages to do so. Please join the team remind system. If you do not sign up, you will not receive important team news, travel time updates, and other information. At least one parent for each student needs to be on this service. Follow the instructions to sign up: <https://remind.com/join/c8bf38>
- Speech and Debate competitions require business attire. Competitors need to dress like they would for an important business job interview, or for Mass at Marist.
- Students will need to bring food to tournaments for breakfast and lunch and money for a fast food dinner on the way home.
- Students, while at competitions are expected to be on their best, professional behavior. If competitors are found to be breaking team rules, parents will need to drive up to pick up their student from the competition.
- To help students prepare for their events I have produced a full library of training videos they can reference. The videos can be found here: <https://www.marisths.org/sd-submenus.html> or here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ta97W-j70U&list=PLo4GiFowdYxkRAx91ZMgevsksAgzxdJl&index=1>

Please certify the following issues from the Parent's Orientation Video by initially next to each item:

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that tournament days can get long, with the average leave time from Marist being 6:00 AM and the average return time being around midnight, but times may flex either direction.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I will need to help judge at some tournaments, a competition requirement, in order for our students to compete.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that our team will be hosting the District Speech and Debate Tournament in April and that parents will need to help provide food and drinks. More information to come in February.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have signed up for the team Remind system so that I can receive messages and information from the coach.

If you have any problems or concerns, please reach out to me: Coach - Steve Barth, [sbarth@marisths.net](mailto:sbarth@marisths.net), 541-214-4858. (Please use Remind to send text messages!)

I authorize my student to compete on the Marist Speech and Debate Team

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Signature

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Date