

## DEBATE ROLES and RULES

### Roles

### Rules

#### Opening Statement Presenter:

Gathers the main arguments into an introductory statement. Does not give specific information; just says "this is true because of A and B and C."

1. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Topic Presenters:

Present the main arguments for the team. Each presenter give specific details that **prove** A and B and C. (2 or 3)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Rebuttal Presenters:

Answer the arguments of the other team. These presenters must take notes as the other team is presenting their arguments and respond to every argument, using specific information to **disprove** them. (1 or 2)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Closing Statement Presenter:

Presents the closing arguments for the team. Repeats the main idea for this and this and this reasons.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

## Debate Rules

No put downs.

You must raise your hand if it's not your time to speak.

Teams lose 1 point for each interruption.

Teams lose 1 point for whispering while another speaker is talking.

### TIMES

Opening statements for both sides = 3 minutes each

Arguments for both sides = 3 minutes each

Rebuttal conference = 1 minute

Rebuttals = 2 minutes each

Closing statements for both sides = 3 minutes each

# The Debate

Date:

Class:

**PRO**

Clear statement of main idea in opening statement

Points

1.

2.

3.

Rebuttals

Closing statement

**CON**