

Why Should I Join a Forensics Team?

The Forensics Team helps to:

- Build friendships
- Sharpen organizational methods
- Enhance presentation skills
- Attain self assurance
- Reflect upon current events
- Experience travel
- Learn to listen empathetically
- Develop research techniques
- Create new understandings of literature
- End stage fright
- Explore or advance career opportunities

Students may compete in intercollegiate debate and individual events tournaments at colleges and universities throughout Michigan and the Midwest. The forensics team budget pays for all tournament entry fees, lodging, transportation and meals.

Although high school experience helps, your coach and experienced team members work closely with beginning students to prepare them for tournament competition. Team members meet weekly to work on speeches and plan for tournaments. Practice sessions are often videotaped, and students receive individual critiques to help them prepare effectively for competition.