

# SUMMER 2024 CATALOG



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## INTRODUCTION

Introducing the Cogito Debate Summer Catalog!

Join us for a summer of stimulating debate programming tailored for students of all ages. Our camps for ages 8–11 offer a fun introduction to debate fundamentals, while workshops for ages 12–17 provide deeper exploration for both beginners and experienced debaters.

For those ready to take their skills to the next level, our bootcamps are designed for students transitioning from intermediate to club level. Stay sharp over the summer with specialized bootcamps for club students. Experience the thrill of debate, develop critical thinking, and make lasting connections with Cogito Debate this summer!



## **HOW TO ENROLL**

If you're interested in enrolling, feel free to contact us directly at (949)-681-6008. Our dedicated team is ready to assist you every step of the way. Whether you have questions about the enrollment process, want more information about our programs, or need assistance with any aspect of your student's journey, we're here to help. Discount Opportunity: Enroll by April 30th to enjoy a special 5% discount on the tuition fee. This is the only discount we're offering for our summer programming, so be sure to seize this opportunity!



#### 2024 SUMMER PROGRAM

### **SCHEDULE**



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<u>Time:</u>	Elementary Ages 8-11	Middle/ High school Ages 12-17	
	9-12 (Public Speaking)	9-12 (Debate Theme 1)	
	12-1 (Lunch Break)	12-1 (Lunch Break)	
	1-4 (Debate)	1-4 (Debate Theme 2)	
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**LUNCH MENU:** 

MONDAY-PIZZA BITES
TUESDAY-CHICKEN NUGGET

WEDNESDAY-TAQUITOS FRIDAY-PIZZA
THURSDAY-TURKEY SANDWICHES

## **CAMPS**

# Here's descriptions of our camps. All of our camps take place at our Irvine office.

#### Design Your Own Adventure: Virtual Reality & Video Games

In this class, students will learn about the work that goes into their favorite video games. Basic information on game design will be provided in an accessible and fun way. Students will get to create their own mock of a game in which they can create their own plot and characters. Using art supplies, students will create one scene from the game to use as a visual aid for their marketing campaign. The project will conclude with students putting together a short pitch to encourage others to purchase their game. The other students will roleplay as investors and vote on which video games they liked the best. Students will learn valuable presentation skills and will engage in critical thinking as they come up with innovative ideas for games and marketing techniques.

#### Understanding How We are All Connected: Global Citizenship

No country is truly independent, and in the age of globalization it's important to understand how countries work together for their mutual benefit. During this week's camp, students will analyze the relationships that the U.S. has with other countries and identify what those relationships are based on. Using this information, students will prepare for and engage in a mock U.N. Security Council Meeting to discuss their assigned country's viewpoints on the following relevant global issues: Addressing Marine Plastic Litter and Microplastics, Improving Frameworks for the Supply of Food Aid and Strengthening Humanitarian and Disaster Relief Assistance. At the end of the meeting, each country's diplomats will sign off on a new resolution that commits all countries on the council to work toward improving the issues they discussed.

#### Presidential Elections: Do you have What it Takes to Lead?

Whether we like it or not, politics affect our everyday life especially during election season. No matter where you stand on the issues at hand, you may not think about what goes on behind the scenes of these intense political races. During this week's camp, students will study the elements of political campaigns and recognize how much work truly goes into running for office. Using the strategies they learn, students will design a platform for a made-up candidate based on the issues the students think are important in today's world. Students must complete several elements of a presidential campaign including a speech, advertisements and even a debate! At the end of the presentations, there will be an election. The winning candidate's team will receive a prize!

#### AI in ROBOT: Boston Technology Company

As technology gets smarter and more involved in our lives, it's important to explore its effects. Students will dive into the topic of Artificial Intelligence and robotics to learn how it affects our world. Should robots be trusted to deal with our everyday tasks or are we putting ourselves at risk by placing so much trust in their capabilities? During this week's camp, students will explore this question by working collaboratively to design their own Al/robotics project to solve a common everyday problem. However, students must also convince investors to support their project!

#### **Space: The Final Frontier**

With companies like SpaceX and Blue Origin advancing space technology in new and innovative ways, it may soon be possible for you to go to space. However, space is still quite mysterious and anything can happen! During this week's camp, students will plan their own journey to space! Students will work in groups to design their own aerospace or astronautics company and will decide the following: What will the goal of their mission be? How will they prepare for the trip? How will they interact with any intelligent life they meet out there? Students will learn about the complexities of space travel and experience the pressure of going where "no one has gone before." People say, "the sky's the limit," but with new space technology we can reach the stars!

## **WORKSHOPS**

Here's descriptions of our workshops. Our workshops take place in our Irvine office.

#### **Ted Talks Space**

As communication styles change, a more casual style of speech presentations has come to the forefront: Ted Talks. In this class, students will explore the nature of TED Talks, both by analyzing them and by writing their very own TED-style speeches. Through understanding the reasoning behind why TED Talks are so successful, students learn how to apply those techniques to their own speeches and presentations.

#### Oral Interpretation: Bringing Words to Life

Are you interested in acting but aren't sure where to start? Maybe you once saw someone present a poem or short story and it really moved you. This workshop is designed to teach you how to analyze and interpret different styles of literature, access a more profound understanding of their expressive acting abilities and amplify your overall performance. Everyday, students will learn the varying genres that can be found in Interpretational Speech and the rules associated with each and all. Through this workshop, students will discover what makes certain literary genres different from one another, the histories associated with the varying aspects of this performative activity, and how to tie it all together to create a thoughtful and creative speech. This workshop is especially helpful for students interested in competing at tournaments in the future!

#### **Mock Trial Objections**

Embark on an exhilarating journey into the world of evidence rules and objections! Join us for a thrilling course designed especially for middle school students. Get ready to uncover the secrets of the courtroom as we explore fascinating concepts like lack of foundation, speculation, relevance, and more prejudicial than probative. Through interactive activities, lively discussions, and exciting challenges, you'll master the art of spotting objections, crafting persuasive arguments, and thinking on your feet like a true legal pro! Don't miss out on this unforgettable adventure—sign up now and let the fun begin!

#### **Podcast Pioneers**

As technology gets smarter and more involved in our lives, it's important to explore its effects. Students will dive into the topic of Artificial Intelligence and robotics to learn how it affects our world. Should robots be trusted to deal with our everyday tasks or are we putting ourselves at risk by placing so much trust in their capabilities? During this week's camp, students will explore this question by working Are you ready to unleash your creativity and amplify your voice? In "Podcast Pioneers," middle school students embark on an exhilarating journey to become masters of podcasting, storytelling, and public speaking. Over the course of one week, students will immerse themselves in a dynamic curriculum designed to cultivate their creative expression and communication skills.

#### **Digital Privacy Matters**

In today's interconnected world, the issue of privacy in the digital age is more relevant than ever. This 5-day workshop is designed to empower middle school and high school students with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to understand, discuss, and advocate for privacy rights in the digital realm. Through interactive sessions, engaging activities, and lively debates, students will explore the complexities of digital privacy, from understanding its importance to navigating ethical dilemmas and advocating for change. From analyzing real-world case studies to role-playing scenarios and preparing persuasive arguments, participants will delve into key topics such as privacy laws, online safety, social media privacy, and communication privacy.

#### Performing Under Pressure: Extemporaneous Speaking

Have you ever wondered how some people seem to be able to speak about anything? Are they a genius or do they just know how to think on their feet? This workshop is designed to prepare students for competing in Limited Preparation events, especially extemporaneous speaking. Extemporaneous speaking requires students to have a breadth of knowledge and to test their research skills under the pressure of a 30 min preparation period. Questions students receive can vary from international issues such as foreign policy and economic trade to domestic policies such as healthcare and housing. Using the right balance of logic, credibility and persuasiveness, students will learn to convince any audience to see things their way.

#### **Ambitions of Success**

Ambitions of Success is a course set for students to seek their future career. The course timeline begins with learning to write, create, and shape meaningful ideas that follow the real world's objectives of job interviews. The learning of impromptu public speaking will be taught in a real life scenario of an elevator pitch and interview strategy. Students will have the ability to practice innovative teamwork, feedback, and learn how to build meaningful working connections; networking. By the end of this course, a development of a strong business presence and professionalism will set the stage for how a student's future is communicated!

#### **Student Council**

Student council is a course meant for students to articulate and strengthen their leadership skills. These skills include writing speeches, creating campaigns, and shaping meaningful ideas that follow the optimistic picture of a school candidate. Coupled with public speaking, students will engage in Spontaneous Argumentation (SpAr) style debate that involves school politics about their constituency and faculty. Additionally, campaign building allows the student to practice innovative teamwork, learn how to build meaningful connections between a voter and a running candidate, and develop a strong social media presence. Lastly, students will be hands on with innovative art techniques (campaign material) that will add to the persona of marketing themselves. By the end of this course, the student will be set and able to run for any elected position!

## **BOOTCAMPS**

Here's descriptions of our workshops. Coach approval required for students to enroll in Bootcamps

#### **MS Bridge Bootcamp**

Are you ready to compete at a higher level? Take the 2-week Bridge bootcamp to prepare you to be a part of our elite debate club class. Participation in the Bridge bootcamp is mandatory for all students who would like to join our club classes. Cogito club classes offer over 15 tournaments each season starting in early fall, so it is important that students participate in this bootcamp to test their skills! At the end of the bootcamp, students will be evaluated for acceptance into the debate club. Classes will hybrid, however students are encouraged to join in-person at our Irvine location.

#### **HS Bridge Bootcamp**

Are you ready to compete at a higher level? Take the 2-week Bridge bootcamp to prepare you to be a part of our elite debate club class. Participation in the Bridge bootcamp is mandatory for all students who would like to join our club classes. Cogito club classes offer over 20 tournaments each season starting in early fall, so it is important that students participate in this bootcamp to test their skills! At the end of the bootcamp, students will be evaluated for acceptance into the debate club. Classes will hybrid, however students are encouraged to join in-person at our Irvine location.

#### **MS Club Bootcamp**

Are you worried your parliamentary debate skills will get rusty over the summer? Competition season is sooner than you think! The first tournament of the season is in September, only a month after classes begin. To stay ahead, join the 2-week parli debate bootcamp where we will review key debate concepts and explore some new ones so that you feel prepared for the next season of debate. Classes will hybrid, however students are encouraged to join in-person at our Irvine location.

#### **HS Club Bootcamp**

Are you worried your parliamentary debate skills will get rusty over the summer? Competition season is sooner than you think! The first tournament of the season is in September, only a month after classes begin. To stay ahead, join the 2-week parli debate bootcamp where we will review key debate concepts and explore some new ones so that you feel prepared for the next season of debate. Classes will hybrid, however students are encouraged to join in-person at our Irvine location.

#### **Platform Speaking Bootcamp**

Want to get a leg up on the competition? By joining our online Platform Speaking Bootcamp, you will get an opportunity to explore the world of platform speaking and write your own speech before the 2024-2025 season begins. This bootcamp runs for 8 classes and offers two class models:

• Option 1: Students can take the class as a group and meet for 3 hours each week at an agreed upon date/time.

#### \$1440/8wks

• Option 2: Students can choose to meet individually with a coach for 8 1-hour sessions that will be scheduled based on the student's schedule.

#### \$640/8wks



#### Camps:

A.M Session Public Speaking Focus \$600\*
P.M Session Debate Focus \$600\*
All Day Both Public Speaking & Debate \$1,200\*
(Excluding Lunch Fee)

#### Workshops:

2 Themes Per day (Middle/High School)

A.M Session: \$700\*

P.M Session: \$700\*

All Day: \$1,400\* (Excluding Lunch Fee)

#### Lunch Fee:

\$75 For 1 week



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