

Cogito Debate

# The Weekly Debate Chronicle

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Our coaches truly love working with the students and take pride in helping them bring their own ideas to life. We believe in nurturing each child's creativity and encouraging them to express their unique voice through their speeches and debates.

## Insightful Updates

We're excited to share that this is already our 7th newsletter! It's been such a joy putting these together. Moving forward, we would love to feature even more of our amazing kids! Parents, if you have any updates, achievements, or highlights you'd like us to include, please be sure to send them our way for future editions.

We're looking forward to an exciting summer and would love for you to join us! It's also a great time to start thinking ahead — we'll be sending out information about our fall programs soon, so stay tuned!





## Announcements

- ✓ Our **early bird discount** has officially ended – thank you to everyone who took advantage of it! We're so excited for the upcoming season and can't wait to see all of our students in class soon. If you have any questions about enrollment, feel free to reach out!
- ✓ We're excited to share that our students will be competing in an online tournament this week! Please join us in wishing them the best of luck – we know they've worked hard and will do an amazing job. We're so proud of all their growth and dedication!



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WEEK!

## Reminders



Our **summer camp enrollment** is still open, but the **early bird discount** has ended. Summer classes are starting soon, so be sure to enroll while there's still time! We're excited for a great summer ahead and can't wait to see everyone in class.

### Parents:

- ✦ If you'd like to have your child featured, please send us their achievements!
- ✦ Parents, be on the lookout – we'll be sending out information about our fall programs very soon! We're excited for everything we have planned and can't wait to share the details with you.



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# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

## Elijah Parvinjah

I love to read and I'm a big adventurous reader – a few of my favorites are Jurassic Park and other action-packed stories. I also really enjoy writing my own books and drawing in my free time.

One of my favorite things at Cogito Debate is my Mock Trial class. I love it here because everyone is so friendly, and it really feels like we're all connected like a family. I especially love Coach Natalie because she always takes the time to work with each of us individually and makes sure everyone feels included.

Through Mock Trial, I've learned a lot about laws and objections, and I'm even more interested now in learning about real court cases happening today. For anyone new joining, I would say that while Mock Trial is definitely a time commitment, it's extremely rewarding. You learn so much and it's a lot of fun!

In the future, I hope to earn a law degree and continue to grow my knowledge of the legal system!



### Parents message

Elijah is a wise and inquisitive soul, far beyond his years. He is bright, caring, and always quick to stand up for what's right. His creativity shines through in his writing and drawings, and his passion for learning is clear in everything he does.

Even as a young child, Elijah questioned the logic behind rules and searched for thoughtful ways to understand the world around him. Now at 10, his ability to absorb details and think critically impresses everyone, from family to our pastors. One memorable moment was when he respectfully pointed out missing details during a Sunday school lesson, showing his strong sense of truth and fairness.

Elijah's interests have grown from dinosaurs to mysteries and law. He dreams of becoming a lawyer one day – and we believe big things are ahead for him. We're so proud of you, buddy!



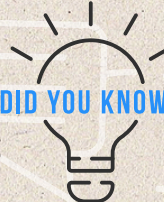



# Student Tips for Success

## Practice Speaking Without Notes!

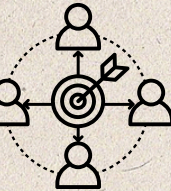
One of the best ways to build confidence in speech and debate is to practice delivering your arguments without looking at your notes. Start by memorizing your key points and then challenge yourself to speak naturally, as if you're explaining the topic to a friend. This helps you sound more confident, stay connected to your audience, and be ready for anything during rounds!

## Fun Facts & Challenges

 DID YOU KNOW?

 The world record for the longest formal debate lasted 22 hours and 5 minutes! It was set by a group of college students who debated nonstop – showing that stamina can be just as important as skill!

### Debate Your Favorite Snack!

 Pick your favorite snack (chips, fruit, cookies – anything!) and write a short speech arguing why it's the best snack in the world. Then challenge a friend or family member to debate their favorite snack against yours. Bonus points if you stay serious even when it's a silly topic!

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