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El Camino College State Championship Debate Team to Stage Demonstration

El Camino College's state championship debate team will demonstrate its award-winning skills in parliamentary debate and other debate styles this week.

A parliamentary debate demonstration will run from 1:30-2:30 p.m. April 3 in the Campus Theater, followed by individual events at 7-8 p.m. April 4 in the Marsee Auditorium.

The individual events on April 4 will feature informative speaking, persuasive speaking, and speech-to-entertain. All include 10-minute, fully memorized speeches. A prose oral interpretation performance, impromptu speaking (a speech with only two minutes of prep on a philosophical topic given right there on the stage), and extemporaneous speaking (a speech with 30 minutes prep that has 8-10 sources on a current event) are also included.

Both events are fundraisers for the team; tickets are available at the door for \$10 each. Proceeds will go toward the team's trip to the national competition in Woodland Hills on April 16.

The powerhouse El Camino College debate team recently swept the state championship title at a tournament in Woodland Hills, with ECC student Jonny Deatherage named best speaker in the state. The team crushed the competition, with second place many points behind.

This win marks the first state tournament championship in ECC history.

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