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El Camino College Debate Team Wins State Tournament

The dynamic 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. El Camino College finished the tournament with 265 points, followed by Irvine Valley College with 210. This win marks the first state tournament championship in ECC history. The team is now looking forward to the national championships, also in Woodland Hills, on April 16.

In addition to Jonny Deatherage's top speaker in the state award, student award winners from the tournament include:

Impromptu Speaking:

Bronze: Joy De Guzman
Silver: Jonny Deatherage, Abigail Watkins and Andrew Escalante

Persuasive Speaking:

Bronze: Nicholas Bishop and Crystal Smith

Extemporaneous Speaking:

Bronze: Andrew Escalante, Frank Masi, and Mario Mejia
Silver: Lawrence Lan
Gold: Harrison Shieh, Abigail Watkins and Jonny Deatherage

Prose Interpretation:

Bronze: Brooke Matson

Dramatic Interpretation:

Bronze: Brooke Matson

Informative:

Bronze: Joy de Guzman

NFA debate:

Bronze: Frank Masi
Silver: Carter Beck, Andrew Escalante
Gold: Harrison Shieh and Jonny Deatherage

Team Parliamentary:

Bronze: Nick Bishop and Frank Masi
Silver: Carter Beck and Lawrence Lan, Joy De Guzman and Mario Mejia
Gold: Abigail Watkins and Andrew Escalante, Jonny Deatherage and Harrison Shieh, Brooke Matson and Crystal Smith

The El Camino College debate team is coached by Francesca Bishop, Diana Crossman, and Mark Crossman.