

WINTER 2023



# Debate Camp

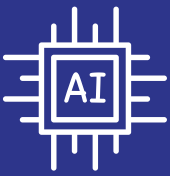
## DEBATE CAMP OVERNIGHT IN 2023



Debate Camp Overnight is BACK in 2023 with FOUR locations! Debate Camp overnight will offer its second summer in St Catharines, Ontario after a great success in 2022. We are excited to welcome back overnight locations in Nova Scotia and Victoria, BC once again this summer along with our first American overnight camp at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine! We hope you join us this summer at Debate Camp Overnight!

**"One of the best camps ever, not a thing I didn't like!" - US Camper 2022**





# GLOBAL MATTERS

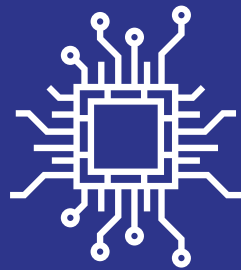


In recent years, artificial intelligence (AI) has greatly advanced capabilities and development. Artificial intelligence is technology that allows machines to learn and adapt, similar to how humans do, while performing acts. Computers are trained to be able to learn from repetition and discovery using data.

AI is being used in many sectors of our world today. We see AI in manufacturing, creating products and in recent years AI technology is present in self-driving cars, being able to adapt to conditions on the roads. AI is moving in to many other sectors of our world, including healthcare and education.

Recently, ChatGPT, an open AI chatbot has gained popularity, able to solve problems and answer questions that users provide. With these advances in AI technology, people are wondering, how could AI be implemented in the classroom? Could AI be used to teach courses on specialized topics? Could AI be utilized to assist teachers in grading essays or assessments? Would students take advantage of technology to complete assignments?

MOTION: This House Would replace teachers with computers.



## FEATURED STAFF - DAVID SULLIVAN

2022 Boston Staff

**Debate Camp:** Boston 2021, 2022

**Education:** First year at Johns Hopkins University majoring in physics and minoring in theatre, member of travel Model UN team.

**Best 2022 Camp Memory:** During the second week of Boston camp, Bend Your Head became a very spirited competition. My team, the Green Beans, were passionate in their participation and celebrated with some hearty table banging when they secured the win.



**Why Debate Camp:** Whether a child has been on their middle school debate camp for years or has never participated in a formal debate before, I've watched every single one of them improve so much over the course of a week. The skills developed in camp are useful far beyond the scope of competitive debate. Also, we have a lot of fun with Bend Your Head, outdoor games, public speaking games, and all-camp activities!

**Fun Fact:** I was a runner in high school and now I compete on the Johns Hopkins ultimate frisbee team!

# Debate Camp Hits the Road

Debate Camp will be in the following areas for Camp Fairs and school visits! We would love to see you or connect, please reach out to Nick Szymanis for further details or questions: [director@debatecamp.com](mailto:director@debatecamp.com)

## Greenwich Area & NYC

### GREENWICH, CT

- Feb 1 - SummerFare @ Greenwich HS
- Feb 5 - Upper West Side NYFamily Fair

## Boston Area

### BOSTON

- Feb 6 - Newton S HS Summer Expo
- Feb 7 - Lexington HS Summer Expo
- Feb 11 - Boston Art & Humanity Fair



## BEND YOUR HEAD MINI



- Q1: What is the coldest place in Canada?  
Q2: In what sport can you win a Heisman trophy?  
Q3: Which continent is the largest?  
Q4: What style of architecture is the Notre Dame Cathedral?  
Q5: In which country did Ikea originate?

Submit your answers to [info@debatecamp.com](mailto:info@debatecamp.com) for a chance to win a Debate Camp prize!

May's BYH Mini Answers:

Q1: Beatrix Potter; Q2: Reese's; Q3: Top Gun: Maverick; Q4: 1487; Q5: No woman has ever walked on the moon.

## FEATURED INTERN

Lauren Sun



Debate Camp: Greenwich

Education: Junior at Greenwich Academy

Future Goals: Looking forward to pursuing experimental psychology research after camp this summer!

Favourite 2022 Camp Memory: We found a life-size Taylor Swift cardboard cutout, placed a Debate Camp nametag on her, and she greeted us when we entered the room! This inspired a staff member to teach a class using Taylor Swift lyrics as motion ideas! Close second is teaching a super fun ethics lecture using the Batman movie!

Why Debate Camp: Debate Camp is a great summer camp for any kind of learner! The program is very well planned and well put together, and there's a great sense of community within the campers and staff. Lots of thought is put into the level placement of every camper, and the curriculum is fun and engaging for campers of all learning types. There's a perfect balance between debate learning and non-debate activities, with education and learning being most emphasized. I loved being with my campers, and I could tell they had a lot of fun as well!

