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MEET OUR FOUNDER

PHYL DEMETRIOU

Phyl founded RDI to grow speech and debate throughout Virginia. Now, RDI serves both the local and national community of speech and debate! Like many others, Phyl was profoundly impacted by debate and is passionate about helping students through the transformative power of the activity. He is excited to welcome bright students into RDI and watch them develop their public speaking and critical thinking skills. Phyl brings Virginia's and the nation's brightest minds to teach and inspire hundreds of students a year to find their voice and use it to create positive change in their communities. We hope your child will be next!

ABOUT RDI

Founded in 2018, the Richmond Debate Institute (RDI) hosts summer camps and weekend workshops to introduce students to competitive speech and debate and help seasoned veterans take their skills to the next level. Our campers participate in games, lessons, and mock debates discussing topics in international affairs, technology, science, current events, and more.



Our week-long camp helps students build the confidence they need to speak in front of others, and the skills to write and deliver compelling speeches and debate persuasively. Students participate in topic lectures from nationally recognized debate instructors, and small group discussions, leading students to participate in competitive debates and speech rounds against their peers. Hosted at VCU School of Business, our camp welcomes a group of enthusiastic and curious students to learn the art of public speaking.



7TH ANNUAL SUMMER CAMP COMMUTER & OVERNIGHT

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COMMUTER OPTION

5 DAYS: JULY 29 - AUGUST 2 (\$415)

Join students from across the country to dive into speech and debate and launch a career in an incredible activity. Learn from our champion instructors and expert panelists this summer at RDI!



7 NIGHTS: JULY 28 - AUGUST 4 (\$1,400)

Experience what it's like to live and learn on a college campus with a 1:6 resident advisory ratio. RDI's camp experience (ages 13+) is packed with daily classes, team dinners, library study sessions, and evening socials. Camp counselors guide students through their daily schedules while experiencing modern university lifestyle and balancing fun!

DEBATE CAMP

This year, RDI is offering specialized debate courses in:

- Public Forum Debate
- Lincoln Douglas Debate
- Congressional Debate

Our groups cater to both new and advanced students. They are taught from our champion instructors to succeed in state and national competitons.

WHY RDI?

Richmond Debate Institute is a nationally recognized speech and debate summer camp program for middle and high school students. Our community of seasoned coaches, PhD lecturers, and resident assistants make our camp a lively and engaging summer experience. We are dedicated to making our camp an inclusive community, where students can make life long friends and express their curiosity. Everyone is welcome!

SPEECH CAMP

This year, RDI is offering introductory and specialized speech courses in:

- Platform Events (e.g. Original Oratory, Informative Speaking)
- Interpretation Events (e.g. Humorous, Dramatic, Poetry)
- Extemporaneous Speaking (e.g. Foreign or U.S. Extemp, Impromptu)

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