Texas Tech University
Congress, Extemp, Interp, and Debate Camps
High School Students and Teachers
July 10 - 16, 2016

Camp Director: Lynn Elms - retired in 2011 from TTU, served as director of UIL Region 1 5A & 3A Regional Academic and Athletic events and taught in the College of Education

Receive high quality instruction from:
Jana Riggins, Austin, TX - Director of State UIL Speech and Debate
Nathan Council, Hereford, TX - Congress, Speech/Debate Coach
Jonathan Robertson, Sudan, TX - Speech/Debate Coach
Ann Shofner, Amarillo, TX - Retired Speech/Debate Coach
Phyllis Graham Tucker, Denton, TX – Speech/Debate Coach
Adam Testerman and the Texas Tech University nationally recognized Debate Team

- Novice to Advanced Divisions
- Learn and experience process designed for success
- Investigate winning procedures for Congress
- Argumentation theory specific to debate
- Strategy sessions over next year’s topics
- Campers receive access to evidence
- View new, challenging prose and poetry
- Small lab sizes
- Focused, quality research including library time
- Extemp reinforcements
- Enjoy Texas Tech’s Recreation Center, Lazy River

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Student Registration:
Resident (double room) (housing & all meals) $550
Commuter (lunch & dinner) $450

Teacher Registration:
Resident (double room) (housing & all meals) $500
Resident (private room) (housing & all meals) $600
Commuter (lunch & dinner) $400

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HOLD YOUR SPOT WITH A $75 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT

Please fill out the registration forms below if mailing in with a check.
Online registration link to pay with a credit card will be coming soon.
Texas Tech University will also offer camps for Math and Theatre/Technical
Go to the Texas Tech UIL Website for more information. www.depts.ttu.edu/UIL

Texas Tech UIL – a Division of Institutional Diversity, Equity, and Community Engagement
Camp Instructor Biographies

Camp Director: Lynn Elms

Lynn Elms retired in 2011 from Texas Tech University where she served as director of UIL Region 1 5A & 3A Regional Academic and Athletic competitions and taught in the College of Education. She began her career in education at Perryton High School where she coached a state first place medalist. She continues to be involved in the UIL program as a critic judge for One Act Plays and State Speech/Debate Tab Room assistant.

Prose and Poetry Interpretation

Jana Riggins, Austin, TX - Director of State UIL Speech and Debate

Jana Riggins joined the University Interscholastic League in 1997 serving as State Director of Speech & Debate. Prior to becoming a staff member, she taught speech and coached forensics in Texas public schools for twenty-one years, directing award-winning programs. Beginning her career in the Waco-Connally CSD, she served as Chair of the Speech and Theatre Department at R.L. Turner HS in Carrollton-Farmers Branch and Fine Arts Chair/UIL Academic Coordinator for Kaufman ISD.

Mrs. Riggins has served as President of the Texas Speech Communication Association, National Communication Association States Advisory Council, Chair of the TSCA High School Curriculum Committee along with other numerous leadership roles, and was selected to the Standards Development Committee for the State Board for Educator Certification. She has served on the National Federation Debate Topic Selection Wording Committee, the National Federation Interscholastic Speech, Debate, and Theatre Advisory Board, the NFHS Publications Review Board, and is a communication textbook reviewer. A tab room official for the Texas Forensic Association State Tournament and NFL District tournaments in the past, in 2007, she received the Outstanding Service Award from the Texas Speech Communication Association. Most recently, she was recognized nationally with the prestigious Citation Award for her contributions to interscholastic speech, debate and theatre. Published in the Forensic Educator, author of a Speech Drill book for Voice and Diction Problems, and editor of An Anthology: A Collection of Oral Interpretation Materials for Competition, Mrs. Riggins currently serves as an executive officer for the state’s professional speech organization, continues as lead instructor in forensic summer institutes and is a certified communications consultant, conducting workshops on the state and national level.

Phyllis Graham Tucker

Phyllis Tucker is a retired librarian and educator. She has taught in 1A to 6A schools. Her last position was AV Librarian at Denton Guyer where she served as UIL Coordinator and assisted in coaching interp, extemp and LD. She is a charter staff member of Denton Guyer and helps lead Guyer’s speech and debate squad to numerous state qualifying meets.

Phyllis has served a number of years as UIL State Honor Crew Director. She is active in judging UIL districts, region and state. She is a member of the Poetry-Prose State Committee. Phyllis and her husband are both retired. They have two daughters; one who now works in university administration and the other is in the medical field. They have one granddaughter who is exceptionally brilliant. Phyllis owns her own motorcycle and will proudly share pictures of her daughters, granddaughter and motorcycle.
Congress

Nathan Council, Hereford, TX - Congress, Speech/Debate Coach

Nathaniel Council is the head coach at Hereford High School. He has coached speech and debate for more than ten years. His student’s accomplishments include: UIL state finalists, dozens of TFA State qualifiers, NSDA National Quals, TOC bids, district and regional champions. Nathaniel recently wrote a CX Debate topic paper for the National Federation of High Schools, and represented UIL at the National Cross Examination Debate Topic Selection Meetings in Oregon and South Dakota. He is currently serving on: Regional Advisory Committee for Region 1-5A, TFA Congressional Debate Committee, the UIL State Student Congress Committee, and the Regional Chair for Region 16 UIL Student Congress.

Debate

Jonathan Robertson, Sudan, TX - Speech/Debate Coach

Jonathan Robertson first coached a UIL event as an upstart Sudan High School One-act Play coach in 1990, quickly adding CX Debate, Computer Science, and LD Debate. He also coaches UIL Poetry, Prose, and Congress. He is the Academic Coordinator for his district and is a 2012 winner of the UIL Sponsor Excellence Award, a past member of the Tall Cotton NSDA District Executive Council, and the current President of the West Texas Speech Association. Jonathan also coaches in the Texas Forensic Association, his team winning the State Region 1 Sweepstakes award in 2013; and, in the National Speech and Debate Association advancing to Nationals since the SHS Resonance Speech Team joined the organization. He has coached LD to state three times, CX 12 times, OAP twice, Interpretation once, Congress 3 times, and Computer Science to state 5 times winning 3 State Championships.

After working in Student Union management at TTU for 9 years, Mr. Robertson decided to give up the life of the big university, and go to work with high school students in rural west Texas. He has never doubted that decision, now holding SBEC certifications in Music, Spanish, English as a 2nd Language, Theater, Information Processing Technologies, Technology Applications, Computer Science, and teaches AP Computer Science.

He has been blissfully married to his girlfriend for 32 years and has 3 grown, married, and degree children...yes! Mr. Robertson and his wife Angie met at Raintree Christian Church in Lubbock where he started and continues working with students, taking youth groups to many states in the U.S. and to many places in Mexico, where he lived for a brief period during his childhood. Jonathan believes that every child, properly encouraged, has the ability to excel in their gifted areas. He is a strong advocate of the UIL and all speech events/organizations.

Adam Testerman, Springfield, MO – Debate & Extemporaneous Speaking and Members of Texas Tech Nationally Recognized Debate Team

Adam Testerman, Texas Tech University Director of Forensics, is returning to his alma mater with a championship pedigree. Testerman is from Springfield, MO and has been involved in debate for over a decade. Adam graduated as a Communication Studies major from Texas Tech in 2012, having won the National Parliamentary Debate Association Championship and being named the top individual debater in the country. Adam was able to continue his competitive success as a coach at Lewis & Clark College while pursuing his graduate degree from Portland State University. Adam coached his Lewis & Clark team to a national debate championship in 2014. Testerman was also named the top debate judge in the country two years in a row (’14-’15). Adam brings his success back to the Texas Tech debate program and is committed to the team reaching new heights of excellence.
Informative and Persuasive Extemporaneous Speaking

Ann Shofner, Tascosa High School, Amarillo

Ann Shofner taught at Tascosa High School in Amarillo for 36 years before retiring in 2013. She has been President of West Texas Speech Association, Texas Forensic Association and Texas Speech Communication Association. She is a 4th Diamond Coach in the National Speech and Debate Association. She has served on the UIL Extemporaneous Speaking Committee, the Poetry and Prose Selection Committee and the Regional Advisory Committee. She has coached UIL State finalists in all events but CX Debate and has had NSDA National finalists in International Extemp and Poetry.

Currently she teaches workshops in the West Texas area for teachers and for UIL Preparation with students.
Student Application (Due June 15)                          Camp Dates: July 10-16, 2016

Student Information (Please print clearly)  Please complete all pages of this application.

Email Address: _____________________________________________________________

Student’s Name (First): ____________________________  (Last): __________________________

Gender: _____ Male  _____ Female  DOB: ____/____/____  Classification in Fall 2016:  _____ Freshman

Mailing Address: ____________________________________________  _____ Sophomore

City: _______________________  State: ________  Zip: ___________  _____ Junior

School Currently Attending: ____________________________________________  City: ________  _____ Senior

Name of Parent or Guardian (Mother): _________________________________________

Home Phone: (___)______________  Cell Phone: (___)______________

Work Phone: (___)______________  Email: _____________________________

Name of Parent or Guardian (Father): _________________________________________

Home Phone: (___)______________  Cell Phone: (___)______________

Work Phone: (___)______________  Email: _____________________________

Roommate Request Name: _________________________________________________

T-Shirt Size:  ____ Adult S  ____ Adult M  ____ Adult L  ____ Adult XL  ____ Adult XXL

Will you be a resident or commuter? (Please circle one)   Resident  Commuter

PAYMENT:


___ $450 Full registration for student commuters.

___ $550 Full registration for student residents.

Due to University policy, camp personnel can no longer transport participants to or from the airport.

Mail Application and Deposit to:
Texas Tech UIL
Box 45035
Lubbock, Texas 79409

For further information, email lynn.elms@ttu.edu or call 806-787-9002, 806-742-2350
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Teacher Application (Due June 15)  Camp Dates: July 10-16, 2016

Teacher Information (Please print clearly)  Please complete all pages of this application.

Email Address: ____________________________________________________________

Name (First): ___________________________  (Last): _____________________________

Gender: ______ Male  ______ Female

Mailing Address: ____________________________________________________________

City: ___________________________  State: ________  Zip: ___________

School: ____________________________________________________________

City: ___________

Home Phone: (___)________________  Cell Phone: (___)________________

Work Phone: (___)________________

How many years have you participated in Speech and Debate? _______

What area do you feel most experienced in?  ____ Extemp  ____ Debate  ____ Prose/Poetry

Roommate Request Name: __________________________________________________

T-Shirt Size:  ____ Adult S  ____ Adult M  ____ Adult L  ____ Adult XL  ____ Adult XXL

Will you be a resident or commuter? (Please circle one)  Resident  Commuter

Room preference (Please circle one)  Private  Double

PAYMENT:


____ $400 Full registration for teacher commuters.

____ $500 Full registration for teacher residents, DOUBLE room.

____ $600 Full registration for teacher residents, PRIVATE room.

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Texas Tech Summer Camp Confidential Medical History Form

Completion of the following, with a photocopy of proof of health insurance must be submitted with the application. If this poses a hardship, call 806-742-2350.

Student’s Name: ________________________________________________________________

Name of Family Physician: _______________________________________________________

Phone: _______________________________________________________________________

☐ Copy of medical health insurance card is attached.

Directions: Check any medical conditions that apply and provide a description. If necessary, attach a separate sheet of paper to explain your child’s medical condition or email additional information to: lynn.elms@ttu.edu

☐ condition requiring medication _________________________________________________

☐ allergies to food or medications _____________________________________________

☐ current infections, viruses ___________________________________________________

☐ emotional or behavioral problems _____________________________________________

☐ recent injuries, illness, operation _____________________________________________

☐ impairment of sight, hearing, speech ___________________________________________

Consent to Medical Treatment

I, ________________________________ Parent, Managing Conservator, or Guardian of ________________________________ (Participant) hereby consent to any and all emergency medical treatment needed by said Minor Child as administered by a clinic or attending physician and accept responsibility for full payment of said treatment. I give my permission for this document to be photocopied for medical personnel.

I, the teacher, hereby consent to any and all emergency medical treatment needed as administered by a clinic or attending physician and accept responsibility for full payment of said treatment. I give my permission for this document to be photocopied for medical personnel.

☐ Signature of Parent, Managing Conservator, Guardian, or Teacher: ________________ Date: ____________

This form will be used for my child’s enrollment in the Texas Tech Summer Camps, July 10-16, 2016.

This form is valid only for the 2016 session and date indicated above.
Texas Tech Release and Hold Harmless Agreement

I, the Parent/Managing Conservator/Guardian, understand that the minor child has the opportunity to participate in Texas Tech Summer Camp, a program for students sponsored by Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas from July 10-16, 2016. I hereby affirm that I desire to have my minor child participate in the said program. I give my permission for my minor child to ride in public transportation or in vehicles driven by Texas Tech employees or representatives to and from designated activities. I, the undersigned, am aware of the dangers associated with travel by motor vehicle or other conveyance and the possibility of injuries or death while in transit. I understand that my minor child will participate in general classroom, educational, and camp activities during this program. I am aware of the dangers associated with such activities and the possibility of injuries or even death in such participation. In consideration of allowing my minor child to attend the above mentioned activities, I, the undersigned, do hereby release, indemnify, and hold harmless Texas Tech University, its Board of Regents, all the University’s officers, agents, and employees, and the University Interscholastic League from any and all liability due to injuries, damage or death arising or resulting from any act or omission, express negligence or otherwise, of said Texas Tech University officers, advisors, agents, and employees, or any other person or participant in said activities while attending the activities or while in transit to and from activities.

I, the teacher, understand that I have the opportunity to participate in Texas Tech Summer Camp, a program for students sponsored by Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas from July 10-16, 2016. I hereby affirm that I desire to participate in the said program. I give my permission to ride in public transportation or in vehicles driven by Texas Tech employees or representatives to and from designated activities. I, the teacher, am aware of the dangers associated with travel by motor vehicle or other conveyance and the possibility of injuries or death while in transit. I understand that I will participate in general classroom, educational, and camp activities during this program. I am aware of the dangers associated with such activities and the possibility of injuries or even death in such participation. In consideration of allowing myself to attend the above mentioned activities, I, the teacher, do hereby release, indemnify, and hold harmless Texas Tech University, its Board of Regents, all the University’s officers, agents, and employees, and the University Interscholastic League from any and all liability due to injuries, damage or death arising or resulting from any act or omission, express negligence or otherwise, of said Texas Tech University officers, advisors, agents, and employees, or any other person or participant in said activities while attending the activities or while in transit to and from activities.

The terms hereof shall also serve as a release and an assumption of risk for my minor child’s heirs, executor and administrator, and for all members of my child’s family and be pleaded as a bar to litigation.

Jurisdiction of this matter and venue shall lie in Lubbock, Lubbock County, Texas. I, the undersigned, on behalf of my minor child agree to indemnify and hold Texas Tech University, its Board of Regents, and all the university officers, agents and employees harmless from and against any and all personal injury. I am above the age of eighteen (18) years and read this Release and Hold Harmless Agreement and voluntarily understand and accept its terms.

— Signature of Parent, Managing Conservator, Guardian, or Teacher: ____________________________ Date ______________________

— Print or Type name of Parent, Managing Conservator, Guardian, or Teacher: _____________________________________________
Texas Tech Summer Camp Parental Approval for Media Coverage/Participation

I hereby give permission for the name of the minor listed above to be released to the media or for him/her to participate in any media coverage which might transpire during the course of the program. I authorize the use of the minor’s name, biography, likeness, voice and performance in the production of the program(s) and for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the program(s). I represent that I am a parent (guardian) of the minor whose name is listed above and I hereby agree to have my child participate in media coverage.

As a teacher, I hereby give my permission for my name or image to be released to the media during this program.

☐ CHILD/TEACHER MAY PARTICIPATE IN MEDIA COVERAGE

_____________________________________________________Date ________________________
Signature of parent, Managing Conservator, Guardian, or Teacher

☐ CHILD/TEACHER MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN MEDIA COVERAGE, and I do not wish his/her name released to the media.

_____________________________________________________Date ________________________
Signature of Parent, Managing Conservator, Guardian, or Teacher