



Enrichment Title	Stem Debate
Enrichment	To encourage students to research and respectfully argue a stance
Objective	from an educated logical perspective
Grant Alignments &	48.5% of regularly attending students will improve their
Objectives	reading grade by half a letter grade
Addressed	77% of regularly attending students will improve in teacher-
	rated homework completion and class participation
	85% of regularly participating students will report
	improvements in other school subjects
Partner Alignment	Honors college, College of Engineering, School Of Medicine,
	College Of Nursing
Academic Subjects	Core Academic Subjects: English Language Arts
	Auxiliary Academic Subjects: Technology and Reading, Science
Standards to	Common Core Standards:
Address	RI.1: , RI.8, SL.1:, SL.2:, SL.3:, SL.4:, RH.1:, RH.6:
Address	M.1., M.0, JE.1., JE.2., JE.3., JE.4., MI.1., MI.0.
	See D <i>ebate Standards grades 9-12 word doc.</i> For detailed
	descriptions
College & Career	[X] Technology & Tools
Readiness Skills	[X] Argument & Reasoning
Addressed	[X] Communication & Collaboration
	[] Problem Solving
Personal Enrichment	Students will: Learn to research subjects they may or may not be
Categories	familiar with than organize their research and communicate their
	findings with others.
Life Skills	Healthy competition and in learning to respectfully disagree
Identify and describe	will be reinforced throughout the enrichment.
how these will be	Researching and understanding science related topics.
utilized	Critical thinking, presentation and communication skills.
Duration of	8 weeks
Enrichment	

# of Students & Staff	15 students: 1 staff
Involved	
Frequency of	Meets 1 time per week
Enrichment	
Week by Week	Activity 1: Debate Intro
Timeline of	Activities 2 through 8: Debate Faceoff
SUGGESTED	1. Divide class into 4 groups. Assigned 2 of the groups to debate
ACTIVITIES	one topic and the other 2 debate another topic. Note: The
	Activity Facilitator will assign groups to support or oppose the
If an activity is used	topic they do not have a choice even if they personally feel
that is not listed,	strongly to the contrary.
please turn in the	2. All groups will have approximately 10 minutes to research and
lesson plan with the	organize their points to argue.
ARS to the Site	3. The first two teams will argue their topic while the other two
Coordinator who will	teams act as judges using the provided rubric. Then the
forward it to the C2	second two teams will argue that their topic while the first
office.	two teams act as judges.
office.	4. The first affirmative team will have 5 minutes to argue their
	point.
	5. The first opposing team will have 5 minutes to argue their
	point.
	6. Each team will be given 1 minute for a rebuttal
	7. The first set of judges will need a few minutes to add up their
	scores. Ask the judge is to share some of their reasoning.
	8. Repeat steps 4 through 7 for the other topic.
	9. If time remains incorporate reflection questions or utilize
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	Debating Related Games Pdf or used time to reflect further on
	the topics explored.
	Additional rules:
	Activity Facilitator retains the right to deduct points if students are
	disrespectful, use insults or speak out of turn at any time during the
	debate class.
	Everyone in the group must participate in the research and during
	the presentation. Activity facilitator retains the right to deduct
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	points if all team members do not participate.
	Timeline for a typical debate class:
	5 min intro and assignments

	10 min research and gather points
	Topic 1:
	5 min supporting arguments
	5 min opposing arguments
	1 min supporting rebuttal
	1 min opposing a rebuttal
	5 min judges add scores and share reasoning
	Topic 2:
	5 min supporting arguments
	5 min opposing arguments
	1 min supporting rebuttal
	1 min opposing a rebuttal
	5 min judges add scores and share reasoning
	Remaining time for reflection if in debate games.
Expected End	Students will have a better understanding of the topics they are
Result/Product	researching.
	Students will have gained experience in public speaking and
	intellectual debate.
Connection(s) to	See specific School Improvement Plans and Building Collaboration
Regular School Day	Guides to observe how this enrichment connects to the regular
	school day in each site
	This enrichment plan is directly aligned to the English and language
	arts Common Core State Standards, and the Career and College
	Ready Standards.
Adult Family	Families could be encouraged to come in and be guest judges
Member Literacy	during the debates.
and Involvement	Bloom and the falls of the line line line line line line line lin
Educational	Please see the following link by the <i>Urban Debate Leagues</i> for
Research	research and data regarding the benefits of debate for at risk
	students
	http://whandahata.org/Qur Posults
	http://urbandebate.org/Our-Results
Additional Resources	Debate Bubric C2 Word Doc
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Used	Debating games PDF Stom Debate Topics Word Doc
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