



# Stoa is a national Junior High and High School Speech and Debate League

serving the needs of privately educated Christian Homeschooling families.

We are made up of over 1,000 families from across the country with over 2,000 competitors between the age of 12 and 18. We meet in homes and churches throughout the nation to teach, research, prepare, and practice. Our events include:

#### Speech:

Dramatic interpretation  
Duo interpretation  
Humorous interpretation  
Open interpretation  
Impromptu  
Extemporaneous  
Apologetics  
Mars Hill  
Expository  
Persuasive  
Original Oratory

#### Debate:

Team Policy  
Lincoln Douglas  
Parliamentary

#### Competitors

**Competitive speech and debate helps students develop an arsenal of skills.** This life-impacting arsenal of instrumental skills includes public speaking, research, writing and critical thinking, as well as conflict-resolution and effective listening. Our alumni often cite speech and debate as the most rewarding and beneficial extra-curricular activity they participated in during their homeschooled years. If you are interested in learning more about speech and debate, or want to find a Stoa club near you, visit [www.stoausa.org](http://www.stoausa.org)

#### Universities

##### Host NITOC

Introduce thousands of young speakers and their supporters to your college by hosting our National Invitational Tournament of Champions. NITOC occurs for one week in mid-May to mid-June, bringing families from all over the nation and members of the nearby community onto campus, as well as to local hotels, shopping, dining and tourist attractions.

#### Community Members

##### Want to help develop the next generation's finest public speakers?

Come judge at a tournament held across the country or at our National Invitational Tournament of Champions. No experience is necessary because we will provide an orientation for you. These young people are skilled in the art of communication, but they need feedback from a diverse audience in order to improve their skills. Judging requires approximately 2 ½ hours of your time.

After listening to our talented, engaging competitors, past judges agree that it is time well spent!

*For a more in-depth explanation, a representative can come to your organization and give a short presentation.*

#### Vendors

Introduce your product or program to hundreds of competitors, their families, and community members at the National Invitational Tournament of Champions.

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**Speaking Boldly. Changing the World for Christ.**

*For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen. Romans 11:36 (NASB®)*



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