



Jefferson Dental celebrates its 50th Golden Anniversary by transforming the youth into the leaders of tomorrow.

The Great Debate (9th grade)

What is the Texas Great Debate?

The Great Debate is a 4-day residential leadership program for bright 9th grade students to work on a student's communication skills- whether verbal or nonverbal. It seeks to expand and compliment a student's ability to speak in public, think critically, construct an argument for or against an issue, formulate effective questions, and build networks. The Great Debate is hosted at one of two colleges and universities; Austin College and the University of Texas at Austin.

Where does the Great Debate take place?

The Great Debate is hosted at one of two colleges and universities in Texas; Austin College (Dallas and Houston participate at this tournament) and the University of Texas at Austin (Ft. Worth and Houston participate at this tournament).

Requirements:

Students who wish to gain acceptance to the Great Debate must meet a MINIMUM 3.0 GPA, Accept their responsibility for the remaining \$297.50 of the program tuition (after the JDC 50% scholarship).

When does the Great Debate take place?

The Texas Great Debate at Austin College will take place June 8-11 and The Texas Ambassador Great Debate at the University of Texas at Austin will take place July 27-31.

How much is the Great Debate?

The cost is \$595. This fee covers all of a student's training, meals, stay at the university dormitories and materials while at the program. Student tuition does not cover.

Timeline:

- Deadline to apply us March 1st
- Students have 10 days FROM DAY OF ACCEPTANCE to pay \$170 (\$20 application fee and \$150 deposit) to activate JDC scholarship of 50%.
- Students have 30 days to pay remaining balance or set up a payment plan with NHI office.

Capacity:

There are a select number of spots available in each program. If a program fills up, a student would instead be placed to a waitlist or be transferred into a similar program. Students who have submitted a deposit for the program receive preference than students who have not.

Houston and HISD Scholarship:

Students in Houston who attend a public high school within the HISD are eligible to receive an additional scholarship from the district.

Payments:

All payments must be made to the National Hispanic Institute by:

- Money order or check and sent to P.O.Box 220, Maxwell Texas, 78656
- Online payment by logging into student's account under student's email (username) and "Jeffersoncares" (password)
- Phone by calling the NHI office at [512-357-6137](tel:512-357-6137)

No payments for NHI program tuitions may be turned in at any of the Jefferson Dental Clinics or to its staff.

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