

Amy Biehl High School

CASE CLOSED: LEGAL DEBATE



Venue:

Amy Biehl High School
Courtroom
123 4th St SW
Albuquerque, NM 87102

Saturday, September 20, 2025
10:00 am

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Amy Biehl High School is proud to host a dynamic speech tournament in the school's historic courtroom, bringing together talented students from across Albuquerque to compete in legal-focused categories. This event offers a unique opportunity for students to showcase their public speaking prowess, build confidence, and engage in spirited, constructive competition. Participants will be evaluated on their ability to craft and deliver clear, persuasive, and well-structured speeches, fostering both personal growth and a sense of community among the next generation of orators.

Teams of 2-3 students will be guided by a sponsoring attorney, focusing on law-related topics. Each team will collaborate to develop their speeches, gaining invaluable insights and mentorship from their coach. To further elevate the stakes, the winning team will be awarded a cash prize, adding an exciting incentive to perfect their arguments and deliver their strongest performance. The competition will follow a bracket-style format, with each team receiving a legal dilemma to address (e.g., Does the Executive Branch have the authority to conduct mass firings of federal employees?). One team will argue for the issue, while the other argues against it. After receiving their debate topic, teams will have 45 minutes to prepare, crafting a well-reasoned argument supported by cited facts. Speeches should last between 5 and 7 minutes. The winning team will advance to the next round, while the losing team will be eliminated from the competition.

Why Participate?

Sharpen your debate and public speaking skills, stand out from the crowd, and compete for exciting prizes — both for yourself *and* your school!

PRIZES

1st Place

- \$100 Amazon gift card for each team member, \$200 for your school

2nd Place

- \$50 Amazon gift card for each team member, \$150 for your school

3rd Place

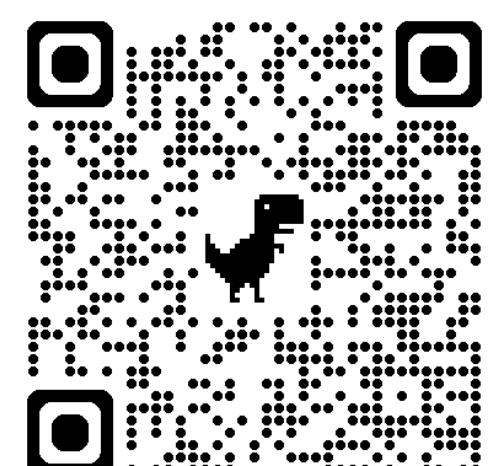
- \$25 Amazon gift card for each team member, \$100 for your school

Plus! All participants receive a CASE CLOSED tee shirt!

Want more info?

Interested in signing up?

Contact Aldis Philipbar, Development Director, at (505) 299-9409 or aphilipbar@abhs.k12.nm.us or scan the QR Code to register your team.



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Amy Biehl High School is looking for law firms to sponsor teams of 2-3 high school and middle school students for this event. By sponsoring a team, law firms will have the opportunity to support young students in developing their public speaking skills, while also fostering an interest in the legal field. This partnership offers a unique way for firms to give back to the community and promote legal education, with the bonus of engaging future generations in meaningful, real-world topics.

Sponsorship Levels

\$2,000 Sponsorship

- Prominent Sponsor & Logo Recognition on:
 - Event Shirts
 - Logo on a banner outside the school building
 - Website
 - Social Media
 - Annual Report
 - Event Program
- Coach a team (we have Law School student coaches if you are not available)

\$1,000 Sponsorship

- Sponsor & Logo Recognition on:
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\$500 Sponsorship (nonprofit law firms)

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