

## Debate Proposal and Expectations

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Content Statement(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Debate Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Research Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Debate Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Debate Essay Expectations:**

- 750 word total: 500 words explaining your position and 250 explaining the opponent's position
- Citation page must be present at the end of the essay
- Due day of Debate

**Research:**

- 5 credible sources supporting your position and 3 credible sources on your opponent (total 8)
- Research packet must be completed and signed off by your teacher before debate begins

**Debate:**

- Debate will last 5 rounds: opening statement, 1st point, 2nd point, 3rd point, closing. Throughout the debate you will be able to refute points made by the opponent.
- Each round you need to be prepared to talk about your position for a minimum of 2 minutes per round. Shorter rounds will generally lead to omitted information and will result in lower scores.
- Notes need to be taken during the debate to keep the opponents points in order and prepare refutation. These notes will be turned in after your debate.
- Verbal credit must be given to facts and figures obtained through research mentioned in the debate