

# Ohio University Summer Forensics Camp July 19-25<sup>th</sup>, 2009



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The Ohio University Summer Forensics Camp, sponsored by the Ohio University Forensics Program and the School of Communication Studies, will be held on the campus of Ohio University, Athens, OH. Our Forensics Camp will offer instruction and practice in:

- Limited Preparation
  - International Extemp
  - US Extemp
  - Impromptu
- Oral Interpretation
  - Duo Interpretation
  - Humorous Interpretation
  - Dramatic Interpretation
  - Prose/Poetry Manuscript Reading
- Public Address
  - Original Oratory
  - Oratorical Interpretation
- Public Forum Debate

## **THE STAFF**

Our Camp Director, Dan West, has coached 50 national champions at the high school and college levels. He is joined by Ohio University Forensics Camp Staff and Team Members:

- Dr. Marty Birkholt (Director of Forensics, Creighton University). Dr. Birkholt is one of the most successful college debate coaches and will lead the Public Forum Debate Group.
- Mr. Josh Wolk (Interp Coach, Cardinal Mooney HS). Mr. Wolk has coached numerous OHSSL State Champions and NFL Qualifier and he will be leading the Oral Interpretation Group.
- Mark Kokoska (Associate Director of Forensics, Ohio University, NFA National Semi Finalist – Extemp and Impromptu). Mark will be leading the Limited Preparation group.
- Ted Dacey (Gov. Thomas Johnson HS, Maryland, 4 time NCLF Qualifier, NFA National Finalist in Oratory and Extemp) Ted will be leading the Public Address group.
- Dani Bernat (Cardinal Mooney HS, NFL National Finalist and OHSSL Champion - Dramatic Duo, AFA & NFA National Quarterfinalist – Prose and Duo)
- Michael Catlos (Poland HS, NFL Qualifier, NFA National Semi Finalist Oratory and Informative)
- Tony Sylvester (Louisville HS, NFL National Quarterfinalist – Dramatic Duo)

**PHILOSOPHY**

The emphasis of the camp is on teaching both novice and experienced students the skills and theory necessary to successfully participate in interscholastic speech activities. While many camps end students home with a single polished product, we send students home with a process they can use to make all of their performances polished.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Students are eligible for the camp if they have completed the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**SCHEDULE**

Campers arrive Sunday afternoon. Workshops and classes meet throughout the day, starting at 8:00 a.m., Monday through Friday. Practice and individual coaching sessions continue during the evenings. The week concludes with a camp tournament and showcase Saturday morning.

**FACILITIES**

The camp offers a carefully supervised introduction to college life. Students live in university residence halls, eat in a campus dining center, and attend workshop sessions and lectures in university buildings. Campers will also have access to the OU Libraries, internet computer labs as well as OU recreational facilities. The structure, opportunities, and adult supervision available at OU make the OU Summer Forensics Camp an excellent choice.

**HOW TO APPLY**

Application and refundable \$100 deposit must be received by June 19, 2009.

**FEES**

Tuitions of \$595 includes all instruction, handouts, housing, meals, recreation and camp t-shirt. Campers who pay in full by June 19<sup>th</sup> receive the discounted rate of \$545 for the week.

**CANCELLATION POLICY**

Students who cancel on or before June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009, will receive a full refund. Cancellations after June 20<sup>th</sup> will not be refunded their deposit.

**APPLICATIONS**

Please send completed applications to:

Dan West  
OU Summer Forensics Camp  
School of Communication Studies – Lasher Hall  
43 W Union Street  
Ohio University  
Athens, OH 45701

**QUESTIONS?**

Feel free to contact Dan West at 740-593-9962 – office

Or

Camp Secretary, Vicki Rhodes at 740-539-4842

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Registration Form – Print and send via mail

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list the event you would like to work on at camp:** \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name Preference for ID \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Student Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Current Year in School \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate Request \_\_\_\_\_ Adult T-shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

If my application is accepted, I agree to comply with the Camp rules and participate in all Camp activities.

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Signature of Applicant

I approve of my son/daughter's attendance at the Ohio University Summer Speech Camp's instructional and recreational activities. I [am, am not] attaching a note to this application explaining special physical limitations, if any, and /or the extent of my permission for my daughter/son to leave the campus for activities, appointments, visits, etc. that are not part of the Camp's organized activities.

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

## **Ohio University Summer Forensics Camp 2009 Schedule**

### **Sunday, July 19th**

3:00 pm Dorm check In, Unpacking, Goodbye  
4:00 pm Orientation to OU Summer Forensics Camp  
4:30 pm Getting Acquainted Activities  
6:00 pm Dinner  
7:00 pm Meet with work groups  
10:00 pm Free Time until Lights Out  
11:30 pm Lights Out

### **Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 am Breakfast  
8:00 am Vocal Warm Ups  
8:30 am Introduction to Excellence  
10:45 am Goal/Task Setting Session  
11:00 am Getting Started – Research, Writing & Cutting  
12:30 pm Goal/Task Checking Session  
1:00 pm Lunch  
2:00 pm Goal/Task Setting Session  
2:15 pm Getting Focused -  
3:30 pm Skills Workshop: Organizing What You Have Found  
    Outlining Your Research  
    Organizing/Cutting Interp  
    Limited Prep Organization  
4:30 pm Last Minute Research  
5:15 pm Organization Activity Session  
    Time Management Analysis  
    How productive was your day?  
    Where were your time drains?  
6:00 pm Dinner  
7:30 pm 10 Minutes with Dan  
7:45 pm Model: Bobcat Forensics Performances – Each night there will be  
    Performances by Bobcat team members.  
8:30 pm Initial Draft Work – At the end of this block, students should have a very  
    rough draft of their event ready to give to the camp staff. The staff will  
    review drafts overnight and return them with suggestions in the morning.  
9:00 pm FUN TIME – whether you like it or not.  
11:00 pm Free Time Until Lights Out  
11:30 pm Lights Out

**Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>**

7:30 am Breakfast  
8:00 am Vocal Warm Ups  
8:30 am Skills Workshop: Time Allocation Issues  
9:15 am Time Activity – Pairing Down or Beefing Up  
9:45 am Goal and Task Setting Sessions  
10:00 am First Draft – Independent Work with Guidance  
11:15 am Review of First Draft Progress  
11:45 am Rewrite, Reorganize, Revise  
12:30 pm Goal Setting Session  
12:45 pm Values Session  
1:00 pm Lunch  
2:00 pm Language Issues  
3:00 pm Specific Language Goals Session  
3:15 pm Rewriting and Revising Work with Guidance  
4:30 pm Library Research as Needed  
5:15 pm Dry Runs for Time and Revisions  
6:15 pm Preparation  
6:30 pm Dinner  
7:30 pm 10 minutes with Dan  
7:45 pm Writing Introduction  
8:30 pm Model Performances  
9:00 pm Game Night  
11:00 pm Free Time Until Lights Out  
11:30 pm Lights Out

**Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>**

7:30 am	Breakfast
8:00 am	Vocal Warm Ups
8:30 am	Skills Workshops by Events
9:15 am	Goal and Task Setting Sessions
9:30 am	Pre-Scheduled Peer Practice and Individual Coaching/Practice
11:15 am	Secondary Area Skills Sessions
12:30 pm	Secondary Area Goals and Tasks Setting Session
12:45 pm	Values Session
1:00 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm	Secondary Area Development
3:30 pm	Secondary Area Goal Checks
3:45 pm	Library Research Time for Secondary Events
5:15 pm	Excellence
5:45 pm	Individual Practice/Coaching Sessions
7:00 pm	Dinner
7:45 pm	10 minutes with Dan
8:00 pm	Model Performances
8:30 pm	Finalizing Scripts
9:00 pm	Ice Cream Up Town
10:30 pm	Free Time until Lights Out
11:30 pm	Lights Out

**Thursday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

7:30 am	Breakfast
8:00 am	Vocal Warm Ups
8:30 am	Dress for Success
9:00 am	Hitting the Home Stretch
11:00 am	Values: The Power of Polish
11:30 am	Team Check-In: What's your status?
11:45 am	Lunch
12:45 pm	Fine Tuning – Last Minute Touches
2:15 pm	All Camp Games!
3:45 pm	Last Minute Research
4:45 pm	Team Check-in: What's your status?
5:00 pm	Dinner
6:00 pm	Values: There is no "I" in TEAM
6:30 pm	Model Performances
7:00 pm	10 minutes with Dan
7:15 pm	What do judges want?
8:00 pm	Team Activities
10:00 pm	Late Night Snacking
11:00 pm	Free Time until Lights Out
11:30 pm	Lights Out

**Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 am Breakfast  
8:00 am Vocal Warm Ups  
8:15 am Last Minute Script Work  
9:00 am Goal Setting Targeting in Specific Problem Areas  
9:30 am Marathon Coaching and Practice Sessions  
12:15 pm Values Session  
12:30 pm Lunch  
1:30 pm MORE coaching – everyone coaches twice.  
4:30 pm The Value of RISK  
5:00 pm Peer Performances in Teams  
6:15 pm Dinner  
7:00 pm 10 minutes with Dan  
7:15 pm Tournament Etiquette  
8:00 pm Commanding a Presence and Looking Like You Are Winning  
8:30 pm Final Camp Activity  
10:30 pm Free Time until Lights Out  
11:30 pm Lights Out

**Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 am Breakfast  
8:45 am Vocal Warm Ups  
9:00 am Showcase performances  
11:00 am Pack up, Check Out and Go Home...until NEXT YEAR