



Leadership Institute

Debate Workshop

6:00 p.m. – Welcome and Introduction

- Ryan Brann, Leadership Institute

6:05 p.m. – Lecture – Introduction to Debate

- Mary Vought, Vought Strategies

In this engaging introduction to debate, learn how to:

- Create a strategy and prepare for debate
- Write an opening statement and present it with purpose
- Craft and refute an argument using the rule of three.
- Use body language in debate – how body language is just as important as what you say

7:00 p.m. - Prepare - Opening Statement

Attendees will split into groups and prepare opening statements (size of groups dependent on size of class)

7:30 p.m. - Practice – Debate Exercise

Attendees will reconvene and deliver opening statements, practice debating with other attendees, field questions from the audience, and receive feedback from the instructor.

8:45 p.m. - Final Thoughts and Q&A

9:00 p.m. – Conclusion

- Ryan Brann, Leadership Institute