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CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

REL debate team earns 2nd place at tourney

The Robert E. Lee High School debate team of Miroslava Zendejas and Kimberly Bourne took second place at the recent Little-Cypress Mauriceville Debate Tournament.

Zendejas and Bourne went undefeated but lost by two speaker points to another school.

This is Zendejas' third year in the debate program, and this was Bourne's first tournament.
Zendajas is a junior and Bourne is a senior.

High school debaters learn, study, research, and prepare for a single topic that they spend the year debating. This year's topic is related to space policy.

The topic is: "The United States federal government should substantially increase its exploration and/or development of space beyond the Earth's mesosphere."

The Gander debaters debated four rounds — two rounds debating each side of the debate — during the tournament competing against schools from the area.
All of the Gander teams won at least one round of the four

The other teams were senior Hector Vela and Elizet Alvarez and junior Jocelyn Mendoza and sophomore Rebecca Halpryn.

"All of our teams won at least one round, so we had a successful weekend," said Kurt Bouillion, speech and debate coach at Lee. "This was the first tournament of the season for Lee High School, and we had a super showing."

The Ganders' upcoming tournaments are Nov. 19 in Brenham, Dec. 2-3 at the University of Texas, and Dec. 10 at Sabine Pass.

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