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DSHS SENIOR WINS STATE TITLE IN CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE

DRIPPING SPRINGS, Texas— After two intense days of debate Jan. 12-13, DSHS senior **Ryan Love** won the 5A State Championship in Congressional Debate. Final rounds took place at the State Capitol.

A total of 54 students from across the state competed in the event. Students are divided in to chambers and then received pieces of legislation, which are placed into a docket. Once the docket is established, the students elect a presiding officer and then debate on the individual pieces of legislation.

As a junior, Love placed fifth in this event after qualifying as an alternate his sophomore year. He has earned many honors in various speech and debate competitions during his high school career. In 2015, he also was a semifinalist in Congressional Debate at the national Tournament of Champions, the National Speech and Debate Association competition, and the Harvard Tournament.

The DSHS speech and debate program is under the direction of teacher Christy Trussell.

This marks the second time in the past two months that Dripping Springs High School has claimed a state title; the Lady Tiger volleyball team captured that honor in late November. The last time that DSHS had a state champion in speech/debate was in May of 2013 when David Slater won top 5A honors in Lincoln-Douglas Debate.