

Debate Team Students Fare Well in Greenwich Regional

More than twenty middle school debate teams from Southwestern Connecticut school districts, including Greenwich and Darien, met at Western Middle School in Greenwich for the spring 2009 regional competition on May 6th.

Eighth grade students Paul Leninger and Ariana Matz of the Hillcrest Debate Team placed in the top eight in the regional competition as they won both of their debates.

The resolve (topic) of the debate was **“Television advertising aimed at children should be banned or regulated.”**

Drawing upon their research, organization, analysis, public speaking, and problem-solving skills, teams of two competed in two rounds of debates arguing for each side of the resolve.

The Debate Team was very grateful for the support of all of the teachers, parents, administrators, and community members who offered their encouragement.



From left, front row, members of the 2008 – 2009 Hillcrest Middle School Debate Team are Camilla Edwards (7th Grade), Kathleen Nickson (7th), Greg St. Germain (8th), Ari Matz (8th), and Justin Lynch (6th). Back row, from left, are Tyler Morin (8th), Advisor Brian Hendrickson, Mathew Ferraro (8th), and Paul Leninger (8th).