

PCA's Searcy named Alabama Speech and Debate Student of the Year

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Chris Searcy, a PCA senior, was named Student of the Year at the Alabama Speech and Debate State Tournament.

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After a very successful first year with the Prattville Christian Academy Speech and Debate team, Chris Searcy, a PCA senior, was named Student of the Year at the Alabama Speech and Debate State Tournament held April at LAMP school in Montgomery. Searcy also won 1st place in poetry, 5th place in Original Oratory, and was student runner-up in novice congress. Luke DeMarco, a PCA junior, won 1st place in Humorous Interpretation and 2nd place in Prose. Sophomore Hannah Cherry and Jordan Graham, a junior, won 1st place in Duo and Hannah won 4th place in Dramatic Interpretation.

Prattville Christian Academy won 3rd place overall in the state sweepstakes for IE's (Individual Events), even though it was the first year for the team. Rhonda Flanagan, PCA Speech and Debate coach said, "We have had a great year for a first year team, and these students have shown remarkable talent. We expect even bigger things next year from this group."

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Hannah Cherry and Luke DeMarco also will be competing in the National Tournament in June (which they won in the district tournament)--quite an accomplishment for a first year team!