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Crowder Debate Earns Top Honors

Neosho, MO –The Crowder Debate team placed 1st in Debate Sweepstakes, 3rd Place in Overall Sweepstakes, and was also named Top Community College at the Bob R. Derryberrry Memorial Season Opener last weekend in Bolivar, Missouri. Crowder College competed against eleven universities, which included: University of Central Missouri, Drury University, and Northwest Missouri State University.

Individual awards went to:

Gabby Francisco (Neosho) and Olga Martinez (Neosho) - 1st Place Novice Forum with a 6-0 record. Shelby Musgrave (Seneca) and Drew Young (Pierce City) - 3rd Place Novice Forum Elizabeth Sanders (Goodman) and John Alba (Joplin) - 5th Place Novice Forum Ginelle Esry (El Dorado Springs) - Top Novice and 3rd Place Overall in Informative Speaking

The team's next tournament is October 17th, when they travel to the University of Central Missouri to compete in the Missouri Mule.

You may keep up with the team accomplishments on Facebook "Crowder Debate" https://www.facebook.com/CrowderDebate

The team is coached by Jason Edgar, Crowder Speech Instructor.

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Pictured (L-R) front row: Elizabeth Sanders (Neosho), Shelby Musgrave (Seneca), Kayla Williams (Neosho), Hope Gutierrez (Neosho), Taylor Powell (Sarcoxie)

Back row (L-R): Jason Edgar, Instructor, Ginelle Esry (El Dorado), Tom Younker (Monett), Drew Young (Monett), Kyler Bard (Seneca)

Not pictured: Gabby Francisco (Neosho)

Please contact my office if you have additional questions.



