University School won the School of Excellence Award in Debate at the National Forensic League National Tournament in Dallas, Texas, and further became only one of eight nationwide to receive the Overall School of Excellence Award for Speech and Debate. Both awards marked firsts in USchool history.

More than 3,000 students competed in the National Tournament. Of the 10 University School students participating, two were National Finalists: Tyler Laurence in Storytelling, and Andrew Dolberg in Congressional Debate.

Other individual accomplishments include:
Rachel Brooks - 15th, Humorous Interpretation
Matthew Linn - 15th, International Extemporaneous
Tyler Laurence and Justin Snow - 18th & Top 30 in Impromptu Speaking, Duo Interpretation
Michael Fried - Top 24 for Lincoln Douglas Debate
Joshua Tupler - Top 35 for Lincoln Douglas Debate
James Stage & Daniel Rego - Top 40 for Public Forum Debate