

Emily Wurpts has been involved in speech and debate for four years. All four of her kids have participated in the juniors program, including junior debate. She has been the lead coach for 44 juniors during one club year and has helped direct multiple junior tournaments. Currently, she serves on the leadership committee for her local club.

Emily holds a Master's degree in Child Development from Iowa State University and has served on the board of the Iowa Association for the Education of Young Children as the public policy chair. She has experience with lobbying and advocacy at the state and federal level, as well as with consultation, adult education, and training in the field of early childhood.

Emily moved to Northwest Arkansas 12 years ago to join a mission mobilization ministry called Via and helped develop resources for parents for the Perspectives course. She enjoys being the missionary and foster care support contact at her church. Additionally, Emily has been a tutor for Classical Conversations for the last seven years, a leader for American Heritage Girls, and involved with Bible Study Fellowship. As a weekly tradition, Emily and her family have pizza and movie night and enjoy popcorn with M&M's every Friday when the school week is done.