

## The ACT: 5A One Act Play State Champs!

After placing first at regionals earlier this month, AHS' speech and debate team, The Act, competed at state this past week and won the 5A State Championship. Coach Brian Gunter said the win was a long time coming. To his knowledge, the last time Ardmere won state in a One-Act play was in 1962, a mere 56 years ago.

The play The ACT took to competition was "Intimate Apparel. Mr. Gunter reported that one of the lead actors had been seriously ill the week before the competition, but that didn't pose an obstacle in the end. The play went almost "perfectly." The team also won the tech division for their lighting, sound, costumes and sets. Three of the actors, Tau'Jeeai Roberts, Amie Perry and Alexia Girard were named as all-state actors.

Gunter said that he's not sure what one-act play the team will compete with next year yet. With this being the first time in many years AHS has taken on this format, Mr. Gunter didn't know how it would turn out. We think it turned out pretty good.

Mr. Gunter, the school district and the community is looking forward to completion of the new performing arts center where The ACT and all students in the district can show off their talent.