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Republican Senate candidate Ron Johnson and Democratic Senate candidate Mandela Barnes participate during a televised debate

Republican Senate candidate Ron Johnson and Democratic Senate candidate Mandela Barnes participate during a televised debate in Milwaukee on Oct. 13, 2022.

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Audience members wait before a debate between Democratic Senate candidate Rep. Tim Ryan and Republican Senate candidate J.D. Vance

The audience awaits a debate between Ohio Senate candidates Tim Ryan, a Democrat, and J.D. Vance, a Republican, in Columbus on Tuesday.

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Then-President Donald Trump and Then-Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden participate in a debate

Former President Donald Trump and Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden debate in Cleveland in 2020.

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