

26. DEBATING

Preamble

The Intermediate Debating Championship is open to any student from Year 9 & 10 to represent his college. The Junior Debating Championship is open to any student from Year 7 & 8 to represent his college. It is expected that all participants will compete with the spirit that is compatible with the ACC ethos “Excellence, Honour and Fairness”.

Event Organisation

1. Schools shall provide their own nametags for players and staff.
2. The host school shall provide:
 - A suitable venue with up to 7 class rooms and theatre/hall for briefings and presentations
 - Specifically allocated bus parking space
 - Ample tables and chairs for competitors, reserves, staff and spectators
 - Students for computer results entry
 - Media presentation of results during appropriate breaks
 - Laptop and printer for collation and printing of results
 - A microphone/PA system
 - An official welcoming and presentation speech
 - Morning tea and lunch for adjudicators, staff and visiting dignitaries. Students to BYO lunch
3. ACC Executive Officer to arrange DAV adjudicators for competition

Competition Format

1. Each participating school shall have one team consisting of a maximum of six students from with three speakers for any one debate.
2. There shall be two divisions with competing teams being placed into either Division One or Two subject to their school’s placing in the previous year’s competition and the number of teams competing.
3. Each school shall have ONE affirmative in the first two set rounds with the first named team in the draw having the affirmative.
4. Each speaker will be allowed 3-4 minutes for Juniors and 4 -5 minutes for Intermediates.
5. Debates shall follow DAV guidelines. DAV adjudicators will awards points to teams according to standard set procedures. A win will score 2 pts. Marking scheme shall be as follows:- Matter - 40, Manner - 40, Method - 20 = 100 per speaker.
6. For the advised topic students can bring in newspapers and other pertinent information to assist with their preparation. All team members can assist with debate development during preparation time for the advised topic, however teachers are not permitted to assist the students during this preparation time. Electronic devices are not to be used for gathering information.

7. Power pairings will occur for Debate Three. These pairing will be set at the end of Debate Two according to the number of wins/losses and total number of marks scored in the first two set debates.
8. At the end of Debate Three, the team with the highest points score for wins/losses shall be judged champion school. If two or more teams are equal on points the team with the highest total marks over the three debates will be judged the champion school and will receive banner and pennants. Pennants will be awarded to the highest ranking Division One and Two schools.
9. Under DAV guidelines, no electronic device shall be used in the delivery of a speech.
10. ACC Executive Officer to confirm entries and advise participating Colleges of draw along with prepared and advised topics at least one week prior to competition. DAV will be used as advisor for appropriate debate topics.

Intermediate Debate Program

- 10.00 am: Debate One Prepared topic
- 10.35 am : Break
- 10.50 am: Advised debate topic wording is released and preparation time allowed
- 11.30 am: Debate Two Advised topic
- 12.05 am: Lunch break
- 12.35 pm: Secret debate topic released and preparation time allowed
- 1.25 pm: Debate Three Secret Topic TBA on the day
- 2.00 pm: Presentations/finish.

Junior Debate Program

- 10.00 am: Debate one - Prepared Topic
- 10.45 am Break
- 11.15 am: Debate two - Prepared Topic
- 12.00 pm: Lunch break
- 12.30 pm Advised debate topic wording is released and preparation time allowed.
- 1.20 pm: Debate three - Advised Topic
- 2.00 pm: Presentations/finish.