



2024 Cezeri Debate Tournament

*Applications, Rules,
Procedures, Tips*

by English Speaking and MUN Club

ABOUT

The debates will take place in the beginning of **the second term**.

Each team will discuss the two poles of their topic. One team will have the **affirmative** role (defends pros of the topic) and the other team will have the **negative** role (defends cons of the topic).

The teams and their debate topics will be announced **a week before** the debate.

The teams that will defend pros and cons will be chosen **by draw**.

There will be **two rounds**. Each speaker will speak once in each round. There will be **a break** of 10 minutes between the rounds. The first and the last speaker will be able to speak for **3 minutes** and the other speakers can speak **2 minutes**.

The debate will start with the affirmative team and will finish with the negative team.

The debate pattern is as follows:

1. Affirmative Team Speaker 1, 3 minutes
2. Negative Team Speaker 1, 3 minutes
3. Affirmative Team Speaker 2, 2 minutes
4. Negative Team Speaker 2, 2 minutes
5. Affirmative Team Speaker 3, 2 minutes
6. Negative Team Speaker 3, 2 minutes
7. BREAK, 10 minutes
8. Affirmative Team Speaker 1, 2 minutes
9. Negative Team Speaker 1, 2 minutes
10. Affirmative Team Speaker 2, 2 minutes
11. Negative Team Speaker 2, 2 minutes
12. Affirmative Team Speaker 3, 3 minutes
13. Negative Team Speaker 3, 3 minutes
14. EVALUATION

APPLICATIONS

Students will make their applications **online**. An online form will be delivered from the school WhatsApp groups.

Students can either apply as **a team** or as **an individual**.

Each group will be represented by 3 students. Students can form their teams, or they can apply for the debates individually. The individual applicants will be matched among themselves to form groups.

The applications will be evaluated by the English Speaking and MUN Club teachers.

RULES

There cannot be any **interruptions**. The speakers must wait for their turn to speak.

The speakers cannot **exceed their time**. However, they are expected to finish their sentence even when the time is over.

The chair will warn the speakers when they have 30 seconds left by knocking the floor twice.

Using **informal, offensive language** and colloquial slang are prohibited.

The speakers must **respect** each other.

EVALUATION

Evaluation will be done by the judges.

Each speaker will be evaluated according to the following criteria individually:

DEBATE EVALUATION RUBRIC				
Debate Topic:				
Team:				
Criteria		Speaker 1	Speaker 2	Speaker 3
CONTENT	Information			
	Rebuttals			
	Organisation of Ideas			
	Relevancy as a Team Member			
DELIVERY	Intonation, Fluency and Pace			
	Eye Contact and Body Language			
	Pronunciation			
	Respect			
TOTAL				
TEAM TOTAL				
5 points = Excellent 4 points = Good 3 points = Average 2 points = Below Average 1 point = Should be Improved 0 point = No performance				

TIPS

Spend enough time to **get ready** for the debate.

Decide how to support your ideas together as a team and make a **strong defence**. Do not forget to get ready for the **rebuttals** as well.

Respect the other speakers.

Support your ideas with numbers, statistics and scientific facts as much as possible.

Use **clear language** and listen to the other speakers and take notes.

First speakers are expected to make a strong defence to the team's main support and the last speakers are expected to **summarize** the team view. Decide **the order of the speakers** carefully.

Use your **time effectively**. It is a good idea to use some of your time for defending and the rest for new supports and rebuttal.