



World Junior Schools Challenges

WORLD JUNIOR SCHOOLS DEBATING CHAMPIONSHIP

Format and Flow (Individual)

WJSDC 2020 Overview

WJSDC aims to provide a platform with various workshop and competitions for young students (primary to junior secondary) to improve debating skills. We hope students not only gain individual debating skills through this platform but also able to socialize and network with other debaters to expand and support the debating community.

WJSDC leverages World Schools Debating format and customizes it for junior level debaters to build foundation debating skills for team debate. World Individual Debating format is used for individual entry. All rounds are debated with prepared motions to be given at least 1 month before each competition.

Individual Debate Format, Flow and Timing

Individual Format

Divisions:	Junior Secondary, Upper Primary
Debaters:	4 individual debaters
Two sides:	Affirmative and Negative
Debate Format:	World Individual Debating Format

Flow

Each speaker will have 2 speeches: individual speech and summary speech. Each will have 1 crossfire after individual speech and 1 Grand Crossfire. Each debate will proceed according to the following flow.

- Chairperson's introduction
- 1st Affirmative Individual speaker
- 1st Negative Individual speaker
- Crossfire (1st speakers)

- 2nd Affirmative Individual speaker
- 2nd Negative Individual speaker
- Crossfire (2nd speakers)

- Grand Crossfire (all speakers)
- 2nd Negative Individual summary



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- 2nd Affirmative Individual summary
- 1st Negative Individual summary
- 1st Affirmative Individual summary

- Adjudicator(s) scoring
- Adjudicator(s) comments and announcement

Timing

Divisions	Junior Secondary	Upper Primary
1st Speech	3 min + 15 seconds grace period	3 min + 15 seconds grace period
1 bell / clap	At 2:30	At 2:30
2 bells / claps	At 3:00	At 3:00
5 bells / claps	At 3:15	At 3:15
Crossfire	2 minutes	2 minutes
Grand crossfire	4 minutes	4 minutes
Summary speech	1:30 min + 15 seconds grace period	1:30 min + 15 seconds grace period
2 bells / claps	At 1:15	At 1:15

Grace period of 15 seconds is given after a speaker's time is up.

Speaking Roles

Speakers are expected to cover the speaking roles below:

First speaker:

- Explain the motion and issues to be addressed
- Introduce own case (thesis / teamline / model)
- Preview the arguments to be made
- Develop arguments to support own case
- Question and answer during crossfire
- Summarize the case



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Second speaker:

- Rebut any points made by the other speaker(s)
- Introduce own case or extend the case from 1st speaker
- Preview the arguments to be made
- Develop arguments to support own case or extend existing case
- Question and answer during crossfire
- Summarize the case