



INTERMEDIATE PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION 2024

Wednesday August 21st at Mazenod College, Mulgrave

FORMAT & RULES

1. Each participating school shall have one team consisting of FOUR students from Year 9 and Year 10. The four participants can be from a mixture of year levels or from any one particular year level – each school should decide upon which year level/s will be involved, but only four students are able to compete.
2. Each participant will complete **two speeches**.
Speaker 1 - Round 1 (prepared) & Round 3 (prepared) * *Note – different speech for Rd 1 & 3*
Speaker 2 - Round 1 (prepared) & Round 3 (prepared) * *Note – different speech for Rd 1 & 3*
Speaker 3 - Round 2 (prepared) & Round 4 (impromptu – topic provided on the day)
Speaker 4 - Round 2 (prepared) & Round 4 (impromptu – topic provided on the day)
3. The topics for the prepared speeches are at the discretion of the speaker in consultation with their teacher. The topics for the impromptu speeches will be provided by the ACC. Each participant in the impromptu rounds will be provided with two topics, from which they will then choose one of those topics for their speech. Each participant will have five minutes preparation time before they must commence their speech. Notes can be made during this preparation time, but the students are not allowed to receive any assistance from other students or their teacher.
4. Each speaker will be allowed **3 - 4 minutes for prepared** speeches and **2 - 3 minutes for impromptu** speeches, with a knock given 30 seconds prior to their time expiring.
5. All speeches will be awarded points by independent adjudicators from the DAV. The marking scheme shall be as follows: Matter – 50. Manner – 50 = 100 points per speaker. Please see notes on page 3 for further information on the marking criteria.

6. At the end of the fourth round, all points from the four rounds will be tallied and the team with the highest points score shall be judged champion school. All schools will compete in the same division. If two or more teams are equal on points, the team with the highest individual score from the four rounds will be judged the champion school and will receive the banner and pennants.

PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION PROGRAM

9:45am	Arrival
9:55am	Welcome and event briefing
10:00am	Round 1 - prepared speech (Speaker 1 and 2)
11:00am	Recess break
11:20am	Round 2 - prepared speech (Speaker 3 and 4)
12:00pm	Lunch break
12:30pm	Round 3 – prepared speech (Speaker 1 and 2)
1:15pm	Round 4 - impromptu speech (Speaker 3 and 4)
2:05pm	Presentations

2024 COMPETITION STRUCTURE

Competing schools:

De La Salle, Mazenod, Salesian, Simonds, St Bede's, St Bernard's, St Joseph's Ferntree Gully, St Joseph's Geelong, St Mary's

Please note:

Adjudicators will be appointed by DAV.

Morning tea, beverages and lunch will be provided for all staff and adjudicators.

Students to BYO lunch.

Any staff dietary requirements need to be sent to the ACC Office by Wednesday August 14.

Public Speaking Adjudication Criteria (DAV)

There are 4 key components to a successful speech.

- The subject matter for the prepared speech should be persuasive in some way;
NOTE: impromptu speeches may be descriptive rather than persuasive
- The subject matter should be well constructed;
- The delivery must be convincing and engaging;
- The words of the speech should be concise, precise, and accessible to the audience

Our sub-criteria are matter and manner.

Matter involves:

- Subject matter of the speech
 - Does it aim to be persuasive?
 - Is it well-reasoned?
 - Is it engaging?
 - Is there a clear sense of “message” in the speech?

- Structure of the speech, inasmuch as it refers to logical development of the speech

- Does the speech make its purpose clear at the start?
- Does the speech have a clear structure? Does the speech develop its ideas logically?

Manner involves:

- Style of speaking:
 - Fundamental tools of persuasiveness: clear speech and eye contact
 - Voice
 - Body language
 - Does the speaker tailor his/her speaking style to their content?
 - Is the speech varied enough to hold the audience's attention?
 - Cues: notes are allowed, but shouldn't interfere
 - Props are not allowed
 - Microphones and lecterns are not allowed
 - The speech should be delivered with conviction and emphasis, but the delivery should not distract from the content.

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