



Premier's Debating Challenge for Years 5&6 NORTH COAST REGION

Dear Debating Coordinator

Welcome to the 2009 Premier's Debating Challenge for Years 5&6. In this package you will find details of this year's competition, including school contact information, the draw for 2009 and general information on the competition.

Rules & Organisation

- The Premier's Debating Challenge for Years 5&6 is open to all NSW government primary and central schools.
- Different students can make up a team for different debates, but no student may appear for both Team A and Team B. Once a student has appeared for Team A, they may not appear for Team B at any stage of the competition, and vice versa.
- Teams consist of four students with one acting as the team's adviser in the preparation room and during the debate.
- Teams entering the competition have been organised into Zones, where they will debate each other in a round-robin format.
- Zone debates are organised by the schools involved. The home school will be listed on the draw, and that school will contact their opponent and an adjudicator to arrange a suitable time and date for the debate.
- Zone winners then proceed to a knock-out stage of the competition until a regional winner has been determined.
- The ten regional winners attend a three-day camp at Stanwell Tops Conference Centre, 8-11 November, and compete in a series of debates to decide the state champion. (Schools involved at this stage should be aware that they will incur travel and accommodation costs).
- The speaking time in the Years 5&6 competition is 4 minutes, with a warning bell at three minutes and a continuous bell at five minutes.
- Teams will have 60 minutes in which to prepare their case without a teacher.
- Teams may not take any notes or research into the preparation rooms. Pens, blank paper, palm cards and stopwatches are allowed.

Hosting a Debate

- The school named as the home school does not necessarily have to host the debate if another arrangement suits everyone better. Schools should work this out within their zones in a way which suits everyone's needs best. **Some zones may choose to have a gala day on which a number of debates are held at the one venue.**
- The home school should contact the visiting school and the adjudicator as soon as possible to arrange the debate.
- Host schools should prepare their own debating kit which should include palm cards, blank paper, pens and a stopwatch for each team.
- Host schools should try to provide some refreshments for after the debate.
- Host schools accept responsibility for duty of care for visiting students.
- Schools should make every effort to complete their debates by the deadlines outlined below.
- A forfeit is a win to the other team. Forfeits disadvantage all teams in a zone and should therefore be avoided if at all possible.

Dates and Topic Areas

Round	Topic area	To be completed by	
1	Education	Week 7	Term 2
2	The Media	Week 9	Term 2
3	Australian Society	Week 11	Term 2
4 (if needed)	Health & Fitness	Week 3	Term 3
Zone Winners To be finalised by Week 5, Term 3			
Regional Finals Will be held in the last week of Term 3			
State Finals Stanwell Tops Centre, Sun 8 to Wed 11 November			

Topics & Coin Toss

- Topics in sealed envelopes are included in this package for any debate you are hosting. It is the host school's responsibility to keep these topics secret.
- The topic envelope should be opened in the presence of the two teams just before preparation time begins.
- Only the students involved in the debate may take part in topic selection. Coaches and other adults must not be involved.
- Teams will rank the topics from 1 to 3. Both 3rd choices will be eliminated, and the highest-rated topic chosen. Where two remaining topics are equally popular, a coin toss shall decide between them.
- The toss of a coin will determine affirmative/negative. The winner of the toss is the affirmative.

Results

- Included in this package is a combined Chairperson's Form/Results Fax.
- The top section of this form should be completed by the chairperson, and used during the debate.
- At the end of the debate, the winning coach is responsible for ensuring that all sections (top & bottom) of the form are completed, and that both coaches and the adjudicator have signed off on the result.
- The winning coach should fax the form to The Arts Unit as soon as possible.
- Alternatively, results can now be emailed to debating@det.nsw.edu.au. Be sure to include the round, schools involved, topic, adjudicator's name and winner.
- Should you be unable to secure signatures or remember some of these details, it's still important that you contact us with the result as soon as possible.

On behalf of the State Coordinator for Debating & Public Speaking, I commend your school for being involved in the Premier's Debating Challenge this year, and acknowledge the effort and goodwill of classroom teachers and coaches who ensure that the experience is a positive and enriching one for all the students involved. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the competition.

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(The home team is underlined)

ZONE 1			
1a	<u>Uki Public School</u>	v	Banora Point Public School (B)
1b	<u>Banora Point Public School (A)</u>	v	Fingal Head Public School
2a	<u>Uki Public School</u>	v	Banora Point Public School (A)
2b	<u>Banora Point Public School (B)</u>	v	Fingal Head Public School
3a	<u>Fingal Head Public School</u>	v	Uki Public School
3b	<u>Banora Point Public School (A)</u>	v	Banora Point Public School (B)
ZONE 2			
1a	<u>Eltham Public School</u>	v	Alstonville Public School (A)
1b	<u>Empire Vale Public School</u>	v	Bangalow Public School
	Alstonville Public School (B)	–	BYE
2a	<u>Alstonville Public School (B)</u>	v	Bangalow Public School
2b	<u>Empire Vale Public School</u>	v	Eltham Public School
	Alstonville Public School (A)	–	BYE
3a	<u>Eltham Public School</u>	v	Alstonville Public School (B)
3b	<u>Alstonville Public School (A)</u>	v	Empire Vale Public School
	Bangalow Public School	–	BYE
4a	<u>Alstonville Public School (A)</u>	v	Alstonville Public School (B)
4b	<u>Bangalow Public School</u>	v	Eltham Public School
	Empire Vale Public School	–	BYE
ZONE 3			
1a	<u>Brunswick Heads Public School</u>	v	Mullumbimby Public School (B)
1b	<u>Mullumbimby Public School (A)</u>	v	Coorabell Public School
2a	<u>Brunswick Heads Public School</u>	v	Mullumbimby Public School (A)
2b	<u>Mullumbimby Public School (B)</u>	v	Coorabell Public School
3a	<u>Coorabell Public School</u>	v	Brunswick Heads Public School
3b	<u>Mullumbimby Public School (A)</u>	v	Mullumbimby Public School (B)

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ZONE 4			
1a	<u>Maclean Public School</u>	v	Lawrence Public School (A)
1b	<u>Gulmarrad Public School</u>	v	Iluka Public School
	Lawrence Public School (B)	–	BYE
2a	<u>Lawrence Public School (B)</u>	v	Iluka Public School
2b	<u>Gulmarrad Public School</u>	v	Maclean Public School
	Lawrence Public School (A)	–	BYE
3a	<u>Maclean Public School</u>	v	Lawrence Public School (B)
3b	<u>Lawrence Public School (A)</u>	v	Gulmarrad Public School
	Iluka Public School	–	BYE
4a	<u>Lawrence Public School (A)</u>	v	Lawrence Public School (B)
4b	<u>Iluka Public School</u>	v	Maclean Public School
	Gulmarrad Public School	–	BYE
ZONE 5			
1a	<u>Wooli Public School (B)</u>	v	Grafton Public School (B)
1b	<u>Wooli Public School (A)</u>	v	Grafton Public School (A)
2a	<u>Grafton Public School (B)</u>	v	Wooli Public School (A)
2b	<u>Grafton Public School (A)</u>	v	Wooli Public School (B)
3a	<u>Grafton Public School (A)</u>	v	Grafton Public School (B)
3b	<u>Wooli Public School (A)</u>	v	Wooli Public School (B)
ZONE 6			
1a	<u>Gillwinga Public School (B)</u>	v	South Grafton Public School (B)
1b	<u>Gillwinga Public School (A)</u>	v	South Grafton Public School (A)
2a	<u>South Grafton Public School (B)</u>	v	Gillwinga Public School (A)
2b	<u>South Grafton Public School (A)</u>	v	Gillwinga Public School (B)
3a	<u>South Grafton Public School (A)</u>	v	South Grafton Public School (B)
3b	<u>Gillwinga Public School (A)</u>	v	Gillwinga Public School (B)

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ZONE 7			
1a	<u>Dundurrabin Public School</u>	v	Coffs Harbour Public School (A)
1b	<u>Glenreagh Public School</u>	v	Ulong Public School
	Coffs Harbour Public School (B)	–	BYE
2a	<u>Coffs Harbour Public School (B)</u>	v	Ulong Public School
2b	<u>Glenreagh Public School</u>	v	Dundurrabin Public School
	Coffs Harbour Public School (A)	–	BYE
3a	<u>Dundurrabin Public School</u>	v	Coffs Harbour Public School (B)
3b	<u>Coffs Harbour Public School (A)</u>	v	Glenreagh Public School
	Ulong Public School	–	BYE
4a	<u>Coffs Harbour Public School (A)</u>	v	Coffs Harbour Public School (B)
4b	<u>Ulong Public School</u>	v	Dundurrabin Public School
	Glenreagh Public School	–	BYE
ZONE 8			
1a	<u>Macksville Public School</u>	v	Toormina Public School (B)
1b	<u>Toormina Public School (A)</u>	v	Nambucca Heads Public School
2a	<u>Macksville Public School</u>	v	Toormina Public School (A)
2b	<u>Toormina Public School (B)</u>	v	Nambucca Heads Public School
3a	<u>Nambucca Heads Public School</u>	v	Macksville Public School
3b	<u>Toormina Public School (A)</u>	v	Toormina Public School (B)
ZONE 9			
1a	<u>Laurieton Public School</u>	v	Hastings Public School (A)
1b	<u>Tacking Point Public School (A)</u>	v	Tacking Point Public School (B)
	Hastings Public School (B)	–	BYE
2a	<u>Hastings Public School (B)</u>	v	Tacking Point Public School (B)
2b	<u>Tacking Point Public School (A)</u>	v	Laurieton Public School
	Hastings Public School (A)	–	BYE
3a	<u>Laurieton Public School</u>	v	Hastings Public School (B)
3b	<u>Hastings Public School (A)</u>	v	Tacking Point Public School (A)
	Tacking Point Public School (B)	–	BYE
4a	<u>Hastings Public School (A)</u>	v	Hastings Public School (B)
4b	<u>Tacking Point Public School (B)</u>	v	Laurieton Public School
	Tacking Point Public School (A)	–	BYE

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CHAIRPERSON'S SCRIPT & RESULTS FAX

I welcome you to the _____ round of the Premier's Debating Challenge for Year(s) _____

This debate is between _____ (A / B) and _____ (A / B)

The Affirmative team, from:

The Negative team, from:

School is: _____

School is: _____

1st Speaker _____

1st Speaker _____

2nd Speaker _____

2nd Speaker _____

3rd Speaker _____

3rd Speaker _____

Team Adviser _____

Team Adviser _____

The Adjudicator for this debate is: _____

Each speaker may speak for _____ minutes. There will be a warning bell at _____ minutes with two bells at _____ minutes to indicate that the speaker's time has expired. A bell will be rung continuously if the speaker exceeds the maximum time by more than one minute. As a courtesy to the speakers, please ensure that all mobile phones are switched off.

The topic for this debate is: _____

Please welcome the 1st speaker of the Affirmative to open the debate. *(After each speaker, wait for a signal from the adjudicator and then introduce the next speaker).*

(After the debate) Please welcome the adjudicator to announce the result of this debate.

(After the adjudication) A speaker will now congratulate the winning team.

(After the congratulations) A speaker from the winning team will now respond.

ATTN: LLOYD CAMERON, FAX: (02) 9569 6878

Winning Team Name: _____

Home Coach: _____
(Signature)

Away Coach: _____
(Signature)

Adjudicator: _____
(Signature)

Debate Date: _____ / _____ / _____

The home school should ensure that all of the top section is completed *(round number, age division, topic, team A or B & adjudicator's name)*. **The home school** should then collect the signatures needed and fax this entire page to the number above. Please note that results can also be emailed to debating@det.nsw.edu.au