

# SPEECH AND DRAMA COLLEGE (SA)

(inc. The South African Guild of Speech and Drama Teachers est. 1945)



1<sup>st</sup> October 2018

## **ATTENTION: The English Department/Public Speaking**

THE SPEECH AND DRAMA COLLEGE (SA)  
58th HIGH SCHOOLS' PUBLIC SPEAKING FESTIVAL  
11<sup>th</sup> February to 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

Entry forms will be available for download at the beginning of October

***Right click on the link below for downloading***

Web Address: <http://www.speechanddramacollegesa.co.za/>

Entry forms MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE OFFICE,  
FAXED, OR E-MAILED BY  
noon on **Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019**

Please note that entry forms need to be returned promptly to the office no later than the date above.

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**PLEASE DIARISE THE FOLLOWING DATES:**

1. OPEN EVENT 11<sup>th</sup> February – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019
2. SPEECH AND DRAMA COLLEGE TROPHY TEAM EVENT 11<sup>th</sup> February – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019
3. GUILD TROPHY INDIVIDUAL BEST SPEAKER EVENT 11<sup>th</sup> February – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**FINALS NIGHT – 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**

**OPEN SECTION**

**JUNIORS:**

Grade 7, 8 & 9

**Title of a Children's or Teen's Fiction Book to suggest a topic**

**DO NOT discuss the contents of the book, just refer to the title.**

Proof of source is to be provided.

**Teachers please make sure that you give the correct topics to the appropriate grades**

**SENIORS:**

Grade 10, 11 & 12

**An existing meme.**

Proof of source can be screenshot, any other internet proof of the history of the meme.

## COMPETITIVE SECTION

It is recommended that only **experienced** speakers enter this section

SPEECH AND DRAMA COLLEGE (SA) TROPHY TEAM: Own Choice

GUILD TROPHY INDIVIDUAL SPEAKER: Own Choice

NB Please keep in mind the limited time to complete and submit your school's entry forms.

Any enquiries need to be directed to the office 011 440 5395 or cell no. 071 045 0134

*LATE ENTRY PENALTIES WILL BE CHARGED AT **R100***

*We remind teachers that they are responsible for confirming that their entry forms have been received by the College.*

We look forward to sharing our very special event with you.

Yours sincerely

ANNE TAYLOR

CONVENOR

Public Speaking/2019

## THE STRUCTURE & FORMAT OF TEAMS

1. Teams should consist of four speakers. If only three speakers in one grade are willing to speak, a three-member team is permissible. The three-member team must speak for the full fifteen minutes, with the chair playing the conventional chair's role as well as delivering a full speech. If a member of a team becomes unable to participate at the last moment, please try and improvise with the three remaining speakers. Let the adjudicator know the circumstances.
2. The Role of the Chair: The chairman introduces the topic and the team, and will elaborate briefly on how the team will address the topic. The chairman will link each of the speakers in the team, and should integrate the team's speeches. The chairman is responsible for showing the audience the logical connections between the viewpoints or aspects that each member presents. The chair synthesises the team's message and unites the various separate speeches into one coherent message. Finally, the chair will conclude the team's message.
3. What is the responsibility of each speaker in the team? Each speaker will present a different aspect of the topic, or will elaborate on another part of the topic. The speakers should develop the problem or issue in some way. They should add to the depth and interest of the message in a balanced fashion. This is a team effort. Three totally independent or insular speeches will not convey a united or cohesive message to the audience.
4. The chair should sit in the first chair to the right of the team and the speakers to sit in order of speaking.
5. When team members stand up to deliver their speeches, they should stand in front of their own chair, or take one or two steps forward only and being careful not to mask other speakers.
6. BEFORE the session, each team must complete an information card, and give it to the Master of Ceremonies.
7. Remember that this is public speaking - teams are required to speak, NOT perform dramatically. No songs, choral verse or any other gimmicks!
8. If speakers and teachers in charge of public speaking require further assistance in the skills related to preparing and delivering speeches, the Speech and Drama College offers training workshops.