



Supreme Court Debate Day Terms and Conditions

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General Terms and Conditions

1. The Supreme Court offers 10 free Debate Day sessions to accredited teaching institutions (schools or colleges) for Years 12 to 13 in England, Wales, Years 12 to 14 in Northern Ireland and S5 and S6 students in Scotland.
2. The Debate Day sessions for the 2022-2023 academic year will take place between November 2022 – June 2023. Two slots are available, 11-3pm and 2-5pm please indicate which slot best suits you on the application form.

Applications

3. Only one application per school/college/organisation is permitted.
4. Applications should come via a teacher or similarly qualified organiser.
5. Applicants should state if a physical or virtual session is preferred (or have no preference) and give three possible dates.
6. Groups that have attended a Debate Day in the last two years will not be prioritised.

Applicants will be chosen using the following criteria:

- State schools will be given priority
 - Category of free school meals in the groups Ofsted report will be taken into consideration
 - Widening participation groups will be given priority
 - Groups from Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland and in England, these of areas of multiple deprivation will score more highly: Middlesbrough; Liverpool; Knowsley; Kingston upon Hull; Manchester; Blackpool; Birmingham; Burnley; Blackpool with Darwen and Hartlepool.
7. Applications must be submitted before 5pm on the 28th of September 2022 to enquiries@supremecourt.uk. Late applications will not be considered.



Successful Applicants

8. Successful applicants that have selected a Debate Day at the Supreme Court building must make travel arrangements, well in advance of the agreed date and bring the agreed number of students.
 - a. The agreed number of students must have at least 11 students participating with a maximum of 25.
 - b. Students must be split into groups of 3, the **For side**, the **Against Side**, and the **Judges**. Where there must be a minimum of 3 Judges.
9. Successful applicants that select the virtual option, must be able to supply three separate teaching areas and, at least three separate computers and/or projectors to enable interaction between students and coaches. Alternatively, each student has access to a personal laptop
10. Applicants must commit to attend the Debate Day session. Please only apply, if in a position to commit to a session if selected.
11. Any cancellations for physical or virtual sessions, must be at least **three weeks** in advance. Cancellations at short notice jeopardise the chance of groups being successful in future years.
12. Preparation for the Debate Day must be undertaken by the successful applicants.
 - a. Upon notification of a successful application, the Information Officer of the Court, will provide a matrix of all the possible Debate Day Topics, most of which can be found on our website. Successful Applicants should select their debate day topic and notify the Information Officer at **least 3 weeks prior to the Debate Day**.
 - b. The time before the debate day, the successful applicants should allow students enough time, recommend at least one lesson time, to read and prepare their arguments.



- c. During the sessions, the coaches will lead and guide the students' giving presentations, but the emphasis is on students having researched the chosen topic and developed arguments in advance.

