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## ***TJIS Invitational Inter-School English Debate Competition - 2015*** **Rules & Regulations for the Competition**

In the opinion of the house “**Digital India is a power to empower the society**”. Based on the above view the debate will be conducted. The following are the *Rules and Regulations* governing the competition:-

1. The competition is scheduled to be held on **Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2015 from 10:00 am** onwards.
2. Reporting Time **9:00 am**.
3. Students from classes 9 to 12 are eligible to participate in the competition.
4. ENGLISH must be used by each speaker while debating.
5. Each School Team must comprise of **two** participants, one speaking **FOR** the motion and one **AGAINST** the motion. There must be a **Faculty** escorting the Team duly authorized by the Head of the Institution. Only one speaker from a school will not be permitted.
6. Each participant will be given a time of **3 Minutes** to speak. After which a bell will indicate the time for rebuttal.
7. The rebuttal will be in the form of questions where, each debater will get an opportunity to answer **only 2** questions put forth by the opposition team.
8. While rebuttal arguments are presented the debaters should be prepared with appropriate arguments. Counter arguments will not be permitted.
9. On the other hand the opposition team should put forth question which are fair, clear and which should have a direct impact on the content of the speech.

10. **After 2 minutes** a long bell will be rung. The debater must ensure to complete within the stipulate time. Speaking beyond the long bell may attract negative marking at the discretion of the judges.
11. The debaters will be judged on the basis of **Content** of speech (20), **Language & Fluency** (10), **Logic & Reasoning** (10) and **Rebuttal** (10).
12. There is no provision for referring to any written material whatsoever while speaking. Marks may be deducted for using any reference material to speak.
13. Participants should be in their *school uniform* and must carry their school ID. Failure of which may lead the School team to disqualification.
14. The **Results** would be declared immediately after the competition. **The decision of the judges will be final and binding** to all participants.
15. Parents of participating students are also invited to witness the debate.
16. **Accommodation & Transport:-**
  - (a) For those School Teams coming from out of station, accommodation can be provided in the School. Meals for these participants will also be arranged for, in the School Dining Hall. Please indicate your choice in the Registration Form, if needed.
  - (b) The school Bus will pick up and drop all out station participants from & to the Railway station if needed. Kindly tick your choice in the Registration Form.
  - (c) **No Fee** will be charged for *accommodation /Transport /Registration /Meals*.
17. School Teams coming from within the city have to make their own arrangements for conveyance. Refreshment and lunch will be served to ALL in the school Dining Hall.
18. **Team TJIS** will be participating for *individual prizes* but not for the Best School Team prize.
19. Please confirm your school's participation as given in the Invitation Letter on or before **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.**

**PRIZES TO BE WON**

- (a) **TJIS Invitational Inter – School English Debate Competition Trophy** will be awarded to the ***Best School Team*** performance along with the ***Runners – up Trophy***.
- (b) The BEST SPEAKER of the Debate will be awarded a *Trophy*, a *Merit Certificate* and  *Cash prize* of Rs **2001/-** and two ***Runners-up*** FOR and  *vo AGAINST* will receive Rs **501/-** each and a *Certificate of Merit* as a consolation prize.
- (c) All participants will be given a *Certificate of Participation*.

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