



## DEBATING AND PUBLIC SPEAKING

### MISA Debating

The MISA Year 7 and 8 Debating Competition has begun with our Year 7 and 8 teams starting to prepare and train for Round One in Week 3. This competition runs through Sport each Tuesday.

### **Public Speaking Competitions Term 3**

#### MISA Year 9 Youth of the Year Competition

Year 9 students are invited to apply to compete in the MISA Youth of the Year Competition, which we have the privilege to host here at the College in Week 5 this term. Students must demonstrate their awareness of local, national and international affairs as well as present a speech on a topic of their choice. One female and one male student will be selected to compete. Please register your interest with Mrs Rodriguez by the end of Week 2.

#### MISA Year 10 Public Speaking Competition

Year 10 students are invited to apply to compete in the MISA Year 10 Public Speaking Competition, on Thursday, 31 August (Week 7) this term, held at St. Patrick's College. This competition focuses on students delivering two speeches, a prepared speech of their choice, and an impromptu speech. Again, please register your interest with Mrs Rodriguez by the end of Week 2.

#### Year 10-12 Public Speaking Competition

Students in years 10 to 12 are invited to enter the national 'My First Speech' competition. Your task, as a newly elected Member of the House of Representatives, is to write a 90 second speech about issues you are passionate about and then record yourself presenting the speech on video. Winners from each of years 10, 11 and 12 will be invited to Canberra to deliver their speeches live and undertake a program of meetings at Parliament House. Entries close at 5pm on Friday 11 August. See Mrs Rodriguez for more details about this exciting competition or check out the website: <https://www.aph.gov.au/myfirstspeech>

Call out for adjudicators!

We would welcome adjudicators from our alumni or parent community to be involved in our growing debating program at THAC. Please email Mrs Rodriguez if you are interested in adjudicating or coaching [rrodriguez@thac.nsw.edu.au](mailto:rrodriguez@thac.nsw.edu.au)

**Mrs Roslyn Rodriguez**

Secondary Teacher - English

---