

SEDA's Team Canada Qualifier Delegate Selection

Hosted by
the Saskatchewan Elocution and Debate Association

Where: University of Saskatchewan
Arts Building, Saskatoon, SK

When: **Sunday, April 5, 2009**

Resolution: Prepared/Impromptu Topics

Categories: All interested debaters..... Worlds Style
Delegates must be in grades **8, 9, or 10** in the year they are selected by SEDA

Who: All SEDA debaters who are under the age requirement are welcome to attend. Debaters in grades 6-8 (coaches' discretion) who have the drive, ambition and potential are strongly encouraged to begin attending the try-outs at an early age. This gives the selection committee a chance to see upcoming talent and being training them for the national Team Canada Tryouts. All potential delegates are strongly encouraged to attend SEDA's Summer Day Camps.

Process: Debaters will be required to submit an APPLICATION form (see attached)
All debaters should familiarize themselves with the style before attending
Debaters will be assigned speaking positions and evaluated for ability in each position
Selection committee will evaluate debaters based on certain criteria, including, but not limited to:

- Past debating record, including 2009 Provincials results (if attended)
- Skill shown at this event and previous workshops
- Ability to work as a team/commitment level
- Academic background/interests

Only those who submit the APPLICATION form on time and attend SEDA's qualifier will be considered. Successful delegates will be notified within a week of this event. SEDA may send up to three delegates to the National Qualifier. **Delegates may be required to attend SEDA's Day Camp.**

Debaters selected to attend the Qualifier Tournament in Winnipeg, November 2009 will be responsible for their own registration fee of \$100. SEDA will pay for the flight. All other costs associated with being a member of Team Canada become the delegate's responsibility.

Limit: ideally, 12 debaters or other multiples of 6 (**All Coaches are welcome to observe.**)

Costs: Participants will be asked to share the costs of lunch

Deadline: Registration deadline is Thursday, April 2, 2009.

Schedule:	8:45 a.m.	Registration
	9:00 a.m.	Briefing on Style
	9:15 a.m.	Groupings & Draw Announcement
	9:30 a.m.	Prep time
	10:30 a.m.	Round 1
	11:30 p.m.	Lunch & Debriefing
	12:00 p.m.	Prep time
	1:00 p.m.	Round 2
	2:00 p.m.	Prep time
	3:00 p.m.	Round 3
	4:00 p.m.	Debriefing/interviews
	4:45 p.m.	Depart for home

(schedule subject to changes)

Registration Form

Provincial Team Canada Qualifier Delegate Selection

School: _____
Address: _____
City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____
Telephone: _____
Coach: _____
Attending Coach(es): _____
Email(s): (if not on file) _____

Debater	Grade

Registration forms *including the APPLICATION form* must be received by
Thursday, April 2, 2009

Send all forms to:

SEDA
Phone: (306) 780-9243
Fax: (306) 781-6021
E-Mail: info@saskdebate.com

For more information regarding Worlds Style contact:

Wendy James (WMCI)
School: (306) 683-7850
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The Team Canada Selection Tournament will be taking place in Winnipeg in November. Travel details are not yet available.

National WORLDS SELECTION COMMITTEE Information (not SEDA!)

In November 2008, the Canadian Worlds Committee selected 9 delegates from across Canada to begin training for the 2010 Worlds, in Qatar. The November 2009 Selection event will be to select 9 delegates for the 2011 Team Canada. Worlds may be in Wales.

The selection tournament will consist of a seminar, at least six rounds of impromptu style debating with an hour's preparation time before each debate. Every student will have an opportunity to debate in each of the six debate positions. The debates will be judged only by people with considerable Worlds experience. As an innovation this year we are going to have one round of prepared debate. Students will be given the resolution and the position in which they will debate as soon as we receive their registration forms.

All students will also have an interview with a member of the selection committee or our designate. The committee reserves the right to reappointed to the team members of the current team who are still eligible. We will select about 9 team members who will be all invited to the Pan American Debate Championship.

We will make the final selection of the World Team during the summer camp that we will probably host at the end of July. The members not selected for the World Team will be invited to represent Canada at the European Debate Championships and will be kept as reserves for the World Team.

Newly selected team members are required to commit themselves in writing to a number of requirements including a code of conduct and making themselves available for a week long summer camp and for the week immediately prior to the tournament. The coach may try to get the team together at other points during the year. In addition, the coach will give the team regular assignments designed to broaden their knowledge and to keep them on top of current issues.

Our only stipulations are that they will be spending the 2010 - 2011 school year in a high school in Canada and they will have reached their 14th birthday but not their 19th birthday by the first day of the tournament.

For more information, visit the CSDF website at www.csdf-fcde.ca. The fee for the selection tournament is \$100.

The World Schools Debating Championships (WSDC) has an excellent website at www.schoolsdebate.com. I would ask that all participants in the selection tournament go to this site and download the **Notes for Adjudicators** found in the Rules & Guides section. These notes give a very detailed explanation of Worlds style debating and in particular, the special responsibilities of each member of the team. I would recommend that participants read this document thoroughly and bring it with them to Winnipeg as we will be referring to it frequently during the briefing. Students might also read through the section on Definition Guidelines.

SEDA TEAM CANADA SELECTION QUALIFIER APPLICATION

Name	
School	
Current Grade	
School program (if applicable)	
Current average	
Courses of note taken/taking and academic strengths	
Regular reading material of interest <i>(and not just what you think the committee wants to hear!)</i>	
University plans (location/field)	
Career aspirations	
Other interests and commitments	
Additional comments	

<p>Past debate workshops attended</p>	
<p>Past debate tournaments attended (individual and team rankings)</p>	
<p>Past debate Provincial Championships (individual and team rankings)</p>	
<p>Past inter-provincial debate events attended (individual and team rankings)</p>	