



EYPC E-Docs Debate Guide Template

Directions: Answer the following questions for your respective side: “Team Policy” or “Team Opposition”. Prepare responses to the other team’s arguments.

1. What is the alleged problem in your community?

→ **Main argument:**

→ **Points to consider:**

→ **What facts and statistics support your claim?**

→ **How does this alleged problem impact the community?**

→ **What do organizations and the experts propose?**

→ **Additional points:**

2. Will a policy proposal effectively address your community’s alleged problem?

→ **Main argument:**

→ **Points to consider:**

→ **Will this policy proposal benefit the community?**

→ **Does this policy take away a resource or require regulation?**

→ **Does your community have the resources and funding to adopt and enforce this policy?**

→ **Additional points:**

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3. Do the benefits of this policy proposal outweigh the costs?

→ **Main argument:**

→ **Points to consider:**

→ **How does this policy impact the rights of community members and businesses?**

→ **How does this policy impact public health?**

→ **Whose responsibility is it to solve this alleged community problem?**

→ **Additional points:**

4. How will the other team respond to your arguments? List 3 refuting points.

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5. How will you respond to the other team's arguments? List 3 counterarguments.

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