



EYPC E-Docs Policy Debate Guidelines

Suggestions: Follow these general guidelines to complete the Policy Debate activity.

1. *Argument*: For 3 minutes, “Pro” side states and defends their first argument.
2. *Rebuttal*: For 2 minutes, “Opposition” replies to the first argument of “Team Policy”
3. *Rejoinder*: For 2 minutes, “Pro” side responds to this reply by defending their first argument
4. For 3 minutes, “Opposition” states and defends their first argument.
5. For 2 minutes, “Pro” side replies to the first argument of “Opposition”.
6. For 2 minutes, “Opposition” responds to this reply by defending their first argument.
7. Continue to the second argument for each side, and if time, on to the third argument. Always use the same structure of statement of argument - rebuttal - rejoinder.
8. *Conclusion*: For 2 minutes, “Pro” side offers their concluding argument.
9. *Conclusion*: For 2 minutes, “Opposition” offers their concluding argument.

Notes:

Be sure and discuss this structure and the time limits in advance of the debate.

Feel free to adjust time limits as appropriate

Strictly adhere to time limits.

Use flashcards that show “30 seconds”, “10 seconds”, and “Stop”