

Turfloop Debating League

22 July 2022

To Whom It May Concern

Lekgotla Youth Outreach is excited to invite you to its 8th Turfloop Debating tournament. TDL seeks out to create a more diverse, direct and sustainable development debate programmes within the Mankweng area.

TDL swots out talent and nurture individuals to those disadvantaged, by providing direct coaching and with debate material for schools and learners. Moreover, TDL acts to bridge the lack of access to coaching and other debate, language and debate opportunities.

The league serves to improve the following challenges facing the debate circuit in Limpopo:

- ❖ The lack of access to sustainable debate and public speaking competitions
- ❖ Recruit and expose learners to partake in national/international tournaments
- ❖ The lack of language, critical thinking and skill development facilities in rural areas
- ❖ The quality of speakers that annually attends Limpopo trials, to compete for the Limpopo team for the *South African National Schools Debating Championship*.

What is expected of your school?

- ❖ Your school is required to prepare 3 learners per team (in efforts to adhere to **Covid-19 safety regulations**). Schools are allowed to bring only one senior and one junior team.
- ❖ Should you wish to register additional teams, kindly speak to the tournament convenors.
- ❖ Please note registration closes on the 19 August 2022.

Tournament date: 27 August 2022

Venue: Frans Mohlala School, Mankweng Turfloop

Cost

R350.00 per team - a meal will be provided during the tournament for all registered learners and educators. **Please note, spectators are not allowed and will NOT be fed should they attend the tournament.**

Banking information

Please make your payments to the following account, then indicate proof of payment to turfloopdebatingleague@gmail.com or directly to any of the convenors.

Bank Zero Mutual Bank | 802 0418 2978 | Cheque Account | 888000 | Name on account: SACEE Polokwane | Reference: Your school name

Tournament Motions

The tournament is structured for 2 prepared motions and 1 unprepared motion, then followed by an award ceremony for participating schools.

Prepared motions

Juniors (Grade 8 - 9):

- ❖ This House supports a compulsory retirement age in politics
- ❖ This House would stop sending humans to space

Senior motion (Grade 10-12):

- ❖ Automation refers to the process of replacing jobs previously done by humans with machines. This House as the government would place restrictions on the automation of labour
- ❖ This House believes that entertainment awards (e.g. Grammy, Oscar, SAMA) should adopt gender neutral categories.

Tournament Schedule

- 09:30 – Registration & briefing
- 10:00 – Round 1
- 11:30 – Round 2
- 13:00 – Lunch & Round 3
- 14:30 – Prize giving & closing ceremony

We hope to see all invited schools help Limpopo grow!

Kind regards,

TDL convenors.

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