



Ontario British Parliamentary Qualifier

Dear Ontario Coaches,

The Ontario Student Debating Union (OSDU) is pleased to invite you to the 2023 Ontario British Parliamentary Qualifier to be run **October 28, 2023 (note – a one-day tournament)**.

This tournament will act as the qualifying tournament for the Canadian British Parliamentary Debate Championships in Winnipeg, taking place from November 17-19, 2023. Please understand that should you qualify for this tournament, you will be expected to confirm and register in very short notice and book transportation to Saskatchewan within this time period.

Location:

This tournament will be held on **Saturday October 28, 2023** at:

Toronto French School 318 Lawrence Ave E, Toronto ON M4N 1T7.

Please use the main entrance off Lawrence Ave. when entering the school.

Please note, there will not be sufficient parking on site during this tournament. Please use either public transportation (Lawrence Subway Station, then bus #124 or the #11), or locate alternate parking arrangements. Please contact us for more information. There is a car park at the northern end of the school (entrance off Bayview southbound) if arriving from the north.

Divisions:

U-15 Division:

All students must be 15 years of age or less as of September 1st, 2020. This means that the U- 15 category is open only to students born **after September 1st, 2008**. To compete in this age category, both debaters must qualify.

Senior Division:

All high school students are eligible to compete in the Senior Division, provided they are still high-school students during the current academic year.

Please note that hybrid teams are not eligible to compete in this event, meaning that both debaters must be from the same school. In addition, all schools participating **must** be members of OSDU.

Registration:

The registration deadline for this tournament will be **Monday the 16th of October, at midnight**. Please ensure that you have completed all items below by that time.

Each school is eligible to send **up to four teams in total. No more than three teams can be in the same division (i.e. 3-1 or 2-2 is acceptable, but all four teams can not be in the same division)**. Should you have an interest in sending additional teams in either division, please let us know and we will allow extra teams if possible closer to the tournament date.

In addition, there will be an online workshop for participants led by OSDU Board Member and Debate Coach at TFS on **12 October from 6:30-8:30 pm**. This is aimed for those who would like to know more about British Parliamentary format and answer questions. If you are interested, please fill out this [form](#) **no later than 10 October**.

Completed school registration form (found on page 4), emailed to osdupresident@gmail.com

Payment in the amount of \$120.00 per team of two debaters (or \$60.00 per student) sent to the following address:

OSDU President
c/o Grace Nolan
10 Elm Avenue
Toronto ON
M4W1N4

THE TOURNAMENT HAS A CAP OF 20 U15 TEAMS AND 40 SENIOR TEAMS

Attached waiver for each debater mailed to address above (with cheque is preferable)

Please also note that if you drop out of the tournament after Friday October 20, 2023 (one week before the tournament), you will still be held financially liable for all registration fees. All debaters are expected to have an adult chaperone present and registered for the entirety of the event. Unchaperoned debaters will not be permitted. Chaperones do not pay the registration fee. **Chaperones must also judge.**

Debate Format:

This tournament will be conducted in **British Parliamentary Format**. It will be composed of four impromptu rounds of debate, breaking to an open grand final. **There will be no prepared resolution for this tournament.** We will be using **5 minute** speaking times for each speech in both age categories to remain consistent with the National level BP Championships Tournament. All debates will take place in English only.

Schedule:

Saturday, October 28th, 2023

8:30 - 9:00	Registration (Judges and Debaters – front foyer)
9:00 - 9:45	Briefing
9:45 - 10:05	Round 1 Announcement/Prep
10:05 – 10:45	Round 1
11:15 – 11:40	Round 2 Announcement and Prep
11:40 – 12:30	Round 2
12: 30 – 1:15	Lunch
1:15 - 1:45	Round 3 Announcement/Prep
1:45 - 2:30	Round 3
3:00 - 3:30	Round 4 Announcement/Prep (Snacks available)
3:30 - 4:15	Round 4
4:30 - 5:00	Finals Announcement/Prep
5:00 - 5:45	Finals
5:45 - 6:15	Awards

*Times are subject to change, each impromptu debate will be given 20-30 minutes of prep time, depending on available time. Teams who are not present at the tournament by the end of registration (9:00 a.m.) without notifying the organizer will be dropped immediately. To contact the organizer, please email osdupresident@gmail.com, this account will be monitored in real-time during registration.

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School Registration Form (Only one form per school required)

Please email to osdupresident@gmail.com All forms must be received by Monday 16 October 16, payment is due by Friday 20 October.

School Name: _____

Chaperone Information:

Name of attending chaperone:

Affiliation with school (i.e. teacher, parent, etc.):

Chaperone contact email:

Chaperone contact phone on the day of the tournament:

Please only use the tables required for the number of teams you intend to register. Birthdays for all debaters must be provided to ensure any U-15 teams meet the appropriate age guidelines.

TEAM 1:

Division (Senior or U-15):

	Name	Birthday (MM/DD/YYYY)
Debater 1:		
Debater 2:		

TEAM 2:

Division (Senior or U-15):

	Name	Birthday (MM/DD/YYYY)
Debater 1:		
Debater 2:		

TEAM 3:

Division (Senior or U-15):

	Name	Birthday (MM/DD/YYYY)
Debater 1:		
Debater 2:		

TEAM 4:

Division (Senior or U-15):

	Name	Birthday (MM/DD/YYYY)
Debater 1:		
Debater 2:		

Please list dietary restrictions:

Would you like to be notified if there are additional spots?

- Yes**
- No**

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Consent to Participation, Waiver of Rights, Liability Release and Medical Information Form

Warning: This document limits the liability of the Ontario Student Debating Union and its board members.

PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY AND ENSURE THAT YOU UNDERSTAND IT BEFORE SIGNING IT.

This form must be completed by each student and adult participating in an OSDU sponsored event and, for participants under the age of majority, also by the participant's parent or guardian as a condition of the participant being permitted to attend the OSDU event. For the purposes of this document, OSDU has been constituted the agent and trustee of the persons and organizations described below, and the document is entered into by OSDU both personally and as agent and trustee of the persons and organizers listed below. I, the undersigned, being the above described participant (or the parent or guardian of the above described participant) hereby consent to my (his/her) participation in this event. In consideration of my (his/her) being a participant in this event, and the Ontario Student Debating Union, the event's organizing committee, the agents, officers, servants, representatives and employees of the foregoing persons and organizers of this event and permitting me (him/her) to participate in the event, I hereby release the OSDU and the organizers for any negligence, accident, injury, sickness, or loss which may occur during the course of the event, or while traveling to or from it. I agree to be responsible for insuring myself (my child/ward) against all above named risks; I agree to indemnify and save harmless the OSDU and the organizers from any loss or damage from the above named risks; I agree to accept liability for any damage or injury done by myself (my child/ward) while attending or traveling to or from the OSDU sponsored event.

SCHOOL NAME _____

NAME OF ATTENDING CHAPERONE: _____

STUDENT INFORMATION (Please indicate which one)

First Name _____

Surname _____

Birth Date _____

Parent (1) Name _____

Parent (2) Name _____

Address

City _____

Province _____ Postal/ Code _____

Emergency Contact Phone Number: _____

We give permission for photographs and video collected for the purpose of promotion of the event to be used on the OSDU website and by outside news sources promoting the event.

YES NO

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

Date

This form must be completed, signed and sent to osdupresident@gmail.com no later than 20 October 2023. Under no circumstances will a student be allowed to participate without this signed consent form. **One form submitted per student.**