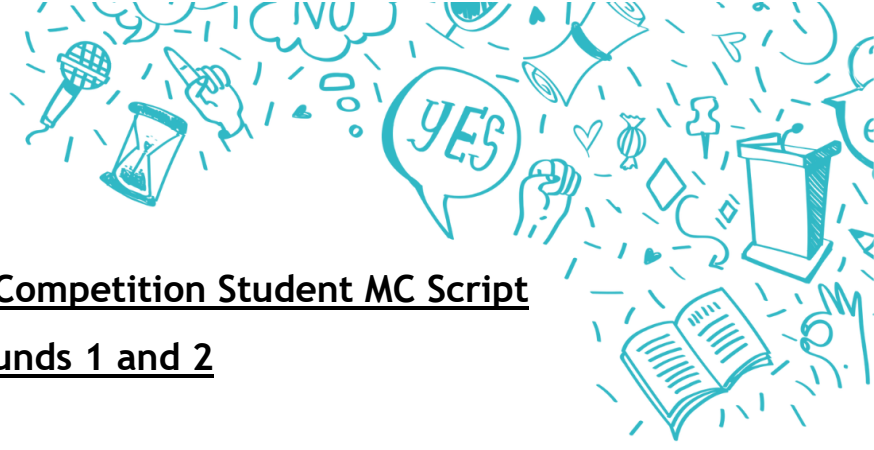




ESU Public Speaking Competition Student MC Script

Rounds 1 and 2

Thank you for volunteering as a student MC for an ESU Public Speaking competition heat! Your role is to make both participants and the audience feel welcome.

At your heat, there will be an ESU staff member called the Competition Lead. They will start the event by introducing the competition, explaining the rules and outlining the format. When it's time for the presentations to begin, they will hand over to you to introduce the competitors.

Your job will be to announce the competitors' names and school and invite them to the performance space. You'll find school names in the heat running order sent to your teacher. You can ask competitors their names during the preparation time. We recommend practicing the material in advance, so everything runs smoothly.

Finally, please remember this script is just a guideline—you can personalise it if you wish. Directions are included in **grey** and any words shown in **blue** should be adapted to fit the specific circumstances of your heat.

Wait for the Competition Lead to introduce you before beginning:

Welcome back everyone. I hope your preparation time was productive. Now, let's get started! Without further ado, please welcome our first team: **Speaker Name** from **Name of School** and **Chair/Questioner Names** from **Name of School**.

(Use the draw and preparation time to find participant names. Lead applause and indicate for the first team to approach the front. Encourage the chairperson to begin).

[After first presentation finishes] Thank you for that wonderful presentation. Now please welcome **Speaker Name** from **Name of School** and **Chair/Questioner Names** from **Name of School**.

(Lead applause and indicate for the team to approach the front. Repeat for the remaining presentations. If you are able, say something you particularly enjoyed about the speech in between each presentation).

After the last presentation finishes, the Competition Lead will thank you for your time and continue as MC.