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**The 12th All-Japan High School English Debate Tournament**

**in Saitama**

1. Sponsor: All-Japan High School English Debate Association (HEnDA)

President: Mikio Kano (Professor, Gifu Shotoku Gakuen University)

2. Management: Senior High School English Education and Research Association of Saitama Prefecture

President: Masashi Ito (Principal, Wako Kokusai High School)

3. Special sponsor:

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4. Supporting organizations (applications pending):

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Saitama Prefectural Board of Education

Saitama Tourism & Convention Association

Japan Debate Association

National Association of Debate in Education

5. Annual sponsors:

Sano Gakuen Kanda Gaigo Group (Kanda University of International Studies)

Tokyo Metropolitan University

Tokyo International University

6. Date: December 16th and 17th, 2017

7. Venue: Tokyo International University Campus 1

1-13-1 Matobakita, Kawagoe City, Saitama Prefecture 350-1197

8. Managing committee:

Senior High School English Education and Research Association of Saitama Prefecture

Department of English Debate

Chairperson: Hiroyuki Maruhashi (Teacher, Urawakita High School)

9. Judging committee:

All-Japan High School English Debate Association (HEnDA)

Chief Judge: Yoshiro Yano (HEnDA Board Member,

Professor, Chuo University)

10. Requirements for participants:

Participants must be high school students in Japan and should also adhere rigidly to the HEnDA “Make Friends Pledge.”

\*Native speakers of English are not allowed to participate.

\* Each team is not allowed to have more than two members with experience of staying abroad to whom the following conditions apply:

(1) A student with more than 12 months’ experience of staying in a country where the first language is English. (If the stay was before entering elementary school, this restriction will not be applied.)

(2) A student from a country where English is not the mother language but is one of the official languages. (If the student left the country before entering elementary school, this restriction is lifted.)

(3) A student who mainly uses English at home.

If two of these students are on a team, only one of the two is allowed to take part

in each round. (Debaters can differ each round.)

11. Teams: Only one team can apply from a school. In each team, four to six members may register. Four members participate in each round. (Debaters can differ each round.)

\* The chairpersons of each preliminary round should basically be provided from the school on the Affirmative side; one of the substitute members (not necessarily a registered member) will chair. If the team has only 4 registered members and it is not possible to chair, the tournament organizer will supplement students in Saitama as the chairperson.

12. Obligation to Accompany a Judge: Each team must be accompanied by one qualified debate judge.

Any fees for the accompanying judge should be provided by the school.

Details of the judging qualifications are on the HEnDA website (URL: henda.global).

Attending teachers are allowed to register also as judges.

All judges should attend the judges’ briefing that starts at 9 a.m. on December 16.

13. Tournament procedure:

Five preliminary rounds will be held. The top eight teams will proceed to the Finals (Elimination rounds). Preliminary rounds will be judged by two judges. Finals will be judged by three or five judges.

14. Debate topic:

Resolved: That Japan should significantly relax its immigration policies.

For definitions and details of the topic, visit the HEnDA website.

15. Schedule:

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| Dec. 16th | 8:30～ | Reception | Dec. 17th | 7:50～ | Reception |
| (Sat) | 10:00～ | Opening Ceremony | (Sun) | 8:15～ | Fifth Round |
|  | 11:00～ | First Round |  | 9:50 | Announcement of Results (Prelims) |
|  | 13:00～ | Second Round |  | 10:05～ | Quarterfinal Round |
|  | 15:00～ | Third Round |  | 11:20～ | Semifinal Round |
|  | 17:00～ | Fourth Round |  | 13:00～ | Final Round |
|  | 18:00～ | Banquet |  | 14:00～ | Closing Ceremony |
|  | 19:30 | Dismissal |  | 15:00 | Dismissal |

16. Tournament rules and judging standards:

The tournament is run by the Tournament Rules and the Judging Standards, both of which are available on the HEnDA website.

17. How to apply:

Download the application form from the HEnDA website.

Fill out the form and send it following the instructions given on the website.

HEnDA will only accept applications between October 2nd and November 8th.

18. How schools are selected (summary):

The maximum number of schools is 64. Basically, the top schools in each prefectural tournament will be selected. The number of schools selected from a prefecture will be determined by the number of schools that attended that prefecture’s tournament.  
Thus, each school must participate in a prefectural tournament in order to be selected for the national tournament. However, there is an exception, namely that some schools that won one of the inter-prefectural tournaments authorized by HEnDA will be selected for the national tournament.

The selection criteria in detail can be found on the HEnDA website.

19. Entry fee: 25,000 yen per team (To cover tournament expenses)

20. Awards: Prizes will be awarded to the top four debating teams. Best Debater awards will be given to several individuals.

The Winner will be awarded the right to attend an international debate tournament or similar debate events. (Part of the admission and travel fees will be provided by HEnDA.)

21. Request for timekeepers:

Students from schools that were not selected for the national tournament or students from selected schools who are not registered as participants can apply to work as tournament timekeepers. The students must be accompanied by leading teachers, and also adhere rigidly to the HEnDA “Make Friends Pledge.” If too many students apply, a selection will take place, based on the results of the prefectural tournaments.

Please forward any inquiries to:

General Incorporated Association All Japan High School English Debate Association (HEnDA)

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■Debate Format

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| Parts & Roles | | Time |
| Debaters |  |  |
| A1 | (1) Affirmative constructive speech (up to 2 advantages) | 4 min. |
|  | Preparation time | 1 min. |
| N4→A１ | (2) Questions from negative (A 1 will answer.) | 2 min. |
| N1 | (3) Negative constructive speech (up to 2 disadvantages) | 4 min. |
|  | Preparation time | 1 min. |
| A4→N1 | (4) Questions from affirmative (N1 will answer) | 2 min. |
|  | Preparation time | 2 min. |
| N2 | (5) Negative attack (Only against affirmative constructive speech) | 3 min. |
| A3→N2 | (6) Affirmative questions, negative attack (A3 questions, N2 answers.) | 2 min. |
| A2 | (7) Affirmative attack (Only against negative constructive speech) | 3 min. |
| N3→A2 | (8) Negative questions, affirmative attack (N3 questions, A2 answers.) | 2 min. |
|  | Preparation time | 2 min. |
| A3 | (9) Affirmative defense (Reconstruct the attacked const. speech) | 3 min. |
| N3 | (10) Negative defense (Reconstruct the attacked const. speech) | 3 min. |
|  | Preparation time | 2 min. |
| A4 | (11) Affirmative summary (Summarize, comparing both arguments) | 3 min. |
| N4 | (12) Negative summary (Summarize, comparing both arguments) | 3 min. |

Total: 42 min.

■ Results of the Past Tournaments

The number of prefectures that participated in the past national tournaments:

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| Tournament | Year | Prefectures | Schools | Prefectural tournaments | Students | Venue |
| Pre | 2005 | 11 | 26 |  | 160 | Gifu University (Gifu） |
| 1st | 2006 | 17 | 38 |  | 208 | Gifu Shotoku Gakuen University (Gifu) |
| 2nd | 2007 | 22 | 50 |  | 257 | Nagoya Gakuin University (Aichi) |
| 3rd | 2008 | 24 | 62 |  | 276 | Gifu Shotoku Gakuen University (Gifu) |
| 4th | 2009 | 29 | 64 |  | 295 | Tokyo International University (Saitama) |
| 5th | 2010 | 29 | 64 |  | 321 | Gifu Shotoku Gakuen University (Gifu) |
| 6th | 2011 | 28 | 64 | 181 | 357 | Kanazawa Gakuin University (Ishikawa) |
| 7th | 2012 | 33 | 64 | 226 | 345 | Makuhari Sogo High School (Chiba) |
| 8th | 2013 | 34 | 64 | 242 | 369 | Matsumoto University (Nagano) |
| 9th | 2014 | 38 | 64 | 283 | 361 | Shizuoka University of Art and Culture (Shizuoka) |
| 10th | 2015 | 36 | 66 | 280 | 380 | Gifu Shotoku Gakuen University (Gifu) |
| 11th | 2016 | 37 | 64 | 309 | 367 | Tokiwa University High School |

■Prefectural Tournaments (Number of years held, Dec. 2016) Shaded prefectures did not participate last year.

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| Hokkaido | 8 | Saitama | 14 | Gifu | 15 | Tottori |  | Saga | 11 |
| Aomori |  | Chiba | 8 | Shizuoka | 9 | Shimane | 4 | Nagasaki |  |
| Iwate | 4 | Tokyo | 20 | Aichi | 9 | Okayama | 5 | Oita | 12 |
| Miyagi |  | Kanagawa | 8 | Mie | 3 | Hiroshima | 8 | Kumamoto | 12 |
| Akita |  | Niigata | 4 | Shiga | 9 | Yamaguchi | 5 | Miyazaki | 13 |
| Yamagata | 3 | Toyama | 6 | Kyoto | 5 | Tokushima |  | Kagoshima | 19 |
| Fukushima | 2 | Ishikawa | 11 | Osaka | 9 | Kagawa |  | Okinawa | 17 |
| Ibaraki | 8 | Fukui | 9 | Hyogo | 10 | Ehime | 5 |  |  |
| Tochigi | 9 | Yamanashi | 2 | Nara |  | Kochi | 18 |  |  |
| Gunma | 5 | Nagano | 24 | Wakayama | 5 | Fukuoka | 11 |  |  |