

19th National Tournament in Okayama 2024

連絡会 Teachers'/Judges' Meeting

10時開始 Starts from 10AM

1. 理事長・開催県からのご挨拶
2. 全国大会募集要項 Rules
3. 選抜基準 Standards for Selection
4. Debate Topics

Basically, same as in Tochigi

Paperless (Tournament information, matchings will be announced through Portal sites, LINE)

On Paper **only**: Pieces of **Evidence** and their Sources

Judge decision will be using google forms: With some more double, triple checks

(All judges must have a smartphone/tablets)

Some YouTube live (only in some rooms)

Important Dates before Dec 21/22th

応募期間は10/1-11/13

Entry Deadline - **Nov 13th**

ジャッジ・顧問説明会Online

12/8 (日) **Dec 8th(Sun)**

Online meeting for Judges/Teachers (for the Participating Schools before the Nationals. No Judges meeting, just roll calls at the Tournament day)

11月10日(日) 合同予選会Online (必要な場合のみ開催)

Nov 10th (Sun) Joint Preliminary Prefectural Tournament
(Only if necessary)

Changed last year: Joint school teams

- 特例措置：合同チーム（※今大会からの追加規定）
- 同じ都道府県に所在する2つの学校が，ともに選手不足の場合，合同チームを組んで予選および全国大会に応募することを認める（ただし合同チームとして全国大会に応募する際には，予選出場時点のチーム構成を変更することはできない。また3校以上による合同チームは認められない）

Joint team: Two schools from the same prefecture only if neither can participate by their own, can form a team.

選抜基準

Selection Standards for the Nationals

Very slight change concerning F-a)

F-a) 県大会出場校 5校以上なら2枠目優先追加

“Inter-prefectural” tournaments

b) >10 schools c) Same prefecture teams < 40%

* Every teams should be counted as equally participating (No “Shadow” schools, please)

“Joint teams” will be treated and counted as one school.

Debate Topic 2024

Resolved: That the Japanese government should abolish all nuclear power plants in Japan.

日本政府は、原子力発電所を全て廃止すべきである。是か非か。

Definitions

1. All nuclear power plants (NPPs) operating now (as of March 2024) **should be shut down by 2030**.
2. NPPs that are currently idled, even those with permission to restart at this moment, should not be reoperated. No new construction of NPPs should be granted.
3. The (so-called) nuclear fuel cycle policy involving the reprocessing and reuse of spent nuclear fuel should be completely aborted.
4. Decommissioning of shutdown NPPs and relevant facilities should proceed according to the current policy.
5. The disposal of high-level radioactive waste (nuclear waste) should proceed according to the current policy (including the selection of a final disposal site).

Definitions (6.)

6. Debaters cannot add or specify plans beyond the above points. Debaters should speculate and argue the future prospects, based on evidence, referring to the current relevant policies, etc. The following are specific examples that cannot be added nor specified as plans:

- a) Limiting or designating the scope of the abolition of NPPs.
- b) Designation of power generation sources after the abolition of NPPs.
- c) Promotion of natural renewable energy such as solar or wind.
- d) How subsidies and related financial resources related to nuclear power should be spent after the abolition.
- e) Adding or changing the regulations on Japanese NPP constructors or related businesses, concerning exports/commissions of NPPs or related business **abroad. (*Addition)**

(Unwritten but rather obvious) Rule concerning HEnDA definitions

If it is not EXPLICITLY written in the HEnDA definitions, debaters **cannot** add any new assumption (additional “plan”), nor should the judge assume that such new assumption (additional “plan”) can justify or refute ADs or DAs

In other words, if it is not EXPLICITLY written in the HEnDA definitions, you must PROVE it (with evidence)

Definitions (7.)

7. The negative side will defend the current government policy (as of March 2024) on nuclear power operation and management.