

# Youth Parliament 2025 - Guidelines

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## Introduction

The Youth Parliament is an educational initiative designed to engage students in democratic processes by simulating parliamentary proceedings. The event aims to foster critical thinking, enhance public speaking skills, and create awareness about governance and policymaking.

## Objectives

1. To familiarize students with parliamentary procedures and the legislative process.
2. To enhance analytical, debating, and decision-making skills.
3. To encourage research and understanding of socio-political issues.
4. To instill leadership qualities and teamwork among participants.
5. To promote responsible citizenship and awareness of governance.

## Roles and Responsibilities

1. Speaker of the House: Presides over the session, maintains decorum, and ensures fair discussion.
2. Prime Minister: Leads the ruling party, presents policies, and answers opposition queries.
3. Leader of the Opposition: Challenges government policies, proposes alternative viewpoints.
4. Cabinet Ministers: Represent different ministries and address relevant topics.
5. Opposition Members: Engage in debates and critique government policies.
6. General Members: Participate actively in discussions, ask questions, and present motions.

## Evaluation Criteria

1. Clarity and Articulation: Ability to express ideas clearly and confidently.
2. Content and Research: Depth of knowledge and factual accuracy in debates.
3. Decorum and Conduct: Adherence to parliamentary language and respect for rules.
4. Engagement and Responsiveness: Active participation in discussions.
5. Leadership and Problem-Solving: Ability to propose constructive solutions.

# **Youth Parliament 2025 - Rule Book**

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## **Parliamentary Procedures**

1. The session begins with the Speaker calling the house to order.
2. The Prime Minister delivers the opening statement, outlining the government's policies.
3. The Leader of the Opposition presents counterarguments and critiques government plans.
4. Cabinet Ministers respond to questions during the Question Hour.
5. Members can propose bills or resolutions, which are debated before a final vote.
6. The Speaker ensures that debates follow time limits and maintains decorum in the house.

## **Code of Conduct**

1. Participants must use formal parliamentary language.
2. Interruptions are only allowed as per parliamentary rules.
3. Disruptive behavior or personal attacks are strictly prohibited.
4. Time limits for speeches and rebuttals must be strictly followed.
5. Members must respect the authority of the Speaker at all times.
6. Any violation of the code of conduct may result in disqualification.

## **Debate Structure and Time Limits**

1. Opening Speech (Prime Minister) - 5 minutes.
2. Opposition Response (Leader of Opposition) - 5 minutes.
3. Question Hour - 20 minutes (2-minute limit per question).
4. Policy Debate - 30 minutes (5-minute speeches per participant).
5. Bill Proposal and Voting - 15 minutes.
6. Closing Remarks - 5 minutes.