



Bacchus Marsh  
Grammar

February 2023

### Debaters Association of Victoria (DAV) Debating Competition

Dear **Parents/Guardians**,

Your child has chosen to participate in the Debaters Association of Victoria competition. DAV is a prestigious debating competition to be involved in, and one that will encompass many lifelong skills for all students involved. This is an **evening contest**.

Students will be transported to the venue by bus departing BMG at 4:00pm. All students involved will be provided dinner at McDonald's (Rockbank inbound), 1789-1913 Western Highway, Rockbank. However, due to the late finish times of this contest, **students will need to be collected from the venue by a parent or guardian**. The approximate time of close for the evening is 8:00pm for 7:00pm debates, and 9:00pm for the 8:00pm debates (debate times will be known closer the start of Round 1).

Our regional host school is St. Bernard's College in Essendon, 41 Rosehill Road, Essendon. All parents/guardians are invited to attend the evenings and support their child participating. Students must be in full school uniform.

It is expected that once committed to being a member of the debating team, they will participate willingly. Pulling out without notice will cause the team to forfeit. Debating is a team event, and we will be competing against other schools. Due to this, it is unacceptable for students to pull out of debates, which they have committed to, at late notice.

The competition rounds are as follows (students are required to attend select rounds only):

Round 1: Tuesday 14 March 2023  
Round 2: Monday 27 March 2023  
Round 3: Monday 1 May 2023  
Round 4: Monday 22 May 2023  
Round 5: Monday 31 July 2023

**Location:**

St. Bernard's College  
41 Rosehill Rd Essendon VIC 3040  
(03) 9289 1000

Please complete permission slip no later than **Friday 3rd March 2023**. If there are any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 5366 4800.

Yours sincerely,

Alyce Coyne  
Debating and Public Speaking Co-ordinator

Kevin Richardson  
Senior Deputy Principal



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### DAV DEBATING PERMISSION SLIP

I hereby give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ of Tutor Group \_\_\_\_\_ to travel and participate in the DAV Debating Competition.

I agree to the following;

- ☐ In the event of illness or accident, and where it is impractical to communicate with me, I authorise my child's receiving such medical or surgical treatment as may be deemed necessary. I accept responsibility for payment of any expenses thus incurred.
- ☐ If any of the information/details previously provided to the School has changed, you have updated the My Details tab on the Parent Portal.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: / /2023

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