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The Principal

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New Delhi

Subject: Invitation to participate in **Inter School Debate Competition - 'IDEOLOGUE'**

Dear Sir/Madam

We are pleased to inform you that St. Mark's Sr. Sec. Public School Janakpuri, is organising its maiden Inter School Debate Competition in English - '**IDEOLOGUE**'. The competition aims to provide a platform for young minds to explore and express their ideas and opinions on contemporary issues thereby honing their public speaking skills.

The competition is open for students of classes IX to XII. We invite a team of three students (two speakers and one interjector) and one teacher-co-ordinator to participate in this event. Preliminary Rounds will be held on 4 & 5 August 2017 with the Finals on 19 August 2017.

A **Rolling Trophy** will be awarded to the winning school. The best speakers, runners-up and best interjector will be felicitated with trophies and certificates.

Last date of sending entries is 25 July 2017.

Looking forward to your wholehearted cooperation in making this endeavour a success.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely

Principal

TOPICS FOR PRELIMINARY ROUND

'Free access to information stifles innovation and imagination'.

OR

'Money spent in space research should be spent on protecting the environment'.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- The debate is open to the students of classes IX – XII.
- Each team can select **any one** topic for the Prelims.
- All the participants should come in plain white uniform for the competition. The identity of the participating school should not be revealed at any time.
- Each school should send only one team comprising of three members. One speaker 'for' the motion, one 'against' the motion and one interjector.
- Once the registration is received, the schools will be informed about the final date of the preliminary round.
- Only the teams qualifying the preliminary rounds will participate in the final competition on 19 August 2017. Qualifying teams will be informed about the topic for final round by 9 August 2017.
- On both days, the participating team will report at the school premises latest by 8:30 am for registration.
- Time allotted to each speaker will be 3 minutes. A warning buzzer will be sounded after 2½ minutes. A final buzzer will be sounded indicating the end of the stipulated time.
- On stage use of script will result in disqualification.
- Only one interjector per speaker shall be permitted. Interjectors will not be allowed to question their own team.
- Interjectors need to be brief. The speaker's reply should not exceed one minute. Cross questioning is strictly not allowed.
- The speakers will be assessed on the basis of content, delivery, diction, confidence and rebuttal.
- The decision of the judges will be final and binding.
- Participation certificate will be awarded to all the participants.
- The winning team will be awarded a 'Rolling Trophy'. The school is entitled to keep the trophy for a year and is responsible for its maintenance and safe custody.
- Best speakers, runners-up and best interjector will be felicitated with trophies and merit certificates.
- The host school will participate but will not compete for the Rolling Trophy.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR 'IDEOLOGUE'

Name of the School :

Address :

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School's Telephone No. : Fax No. :

E-mail ID :

S.No.	Name of the Participants	Class	Sex	Father's Name	Topic for Prelims
1.	<u>'For' the motion</u>				
2.	<u>'Against' the motion</u>				
3.	<u>Interjector</u>				

Detail of Teacher Co-ordinator:

Name :

Mobile No. :

E-mail ID :

Name & Signature of Principal:

(Alongwith School Seal)

NOTE : The participating schools may also download the details of 'IDEOLOGUE' from our school website – www.saintmarksschool.com/janakpuri

The last day for receiving the enclosed registration form duly filled in is 25th July 2017. You can also e-mail your entries to smsjpideologue2017@gmail.com

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