



## ROSTRUM VOICE OF YOUTH COVID SAFE POLICY

A Rostrum member will be allocated the responsibility at the speaking venue to oversee the COVID Safe Plan guidelines are followed.

### **On arrival at the venue:**

All attendees will be required to return their RSVP COVID safe form and sign in. The RSVP COVID safe form which outlines the conditions of entry will be emailed to all participants and their schools prior to the competition.

### **Hygiene:**

#### **Supplies and equipment**

Sanitiser will be available and the wearing of masks is optional.

Students are asked to bring their own drink bottle and a pen for the Short Notice speeches.

Surfaces will be cleaned between the junior and senior competitions.

### **Restrictions to entry:**

If you are feeling unwell or display any of the COVID symptoms we ask that you do not participate. If you are unable to take part because of health reasons, your \$10 entry will be refunded if requested.

To ensure safe social distancing, the numbers in each room will need to be restricted. This will vary according to the host school guidelines. Information will be forwarded to participants prior to the heats and regional finals

Movement between the rooms will not be possible.

### **Managing risks:**

In the short notice preparation room, the topics, note cards and paper will be spaced out around the room to ensure correct social distancing.

In the interests of safety, morning/afternoon tea will not be provided.

The chairman of adjudicators will announce the winner and Encouragement Award in the speaking room. The adjudicators will be available to provide feedback to the individual students. Students will be asked to stay in their seats and a Rostrum member will direct the students to each adjudicator to receive their feedback.

Certificates and a small gift for each participant will be available for collection at the conclusion of the competition.

We thank you for your understanding. We look forward to 2022 when hopefully the restrictions can be lifted and we can offer our usual Rostrum hospitality.