

"The world has achieved brilliance without wisdom, power without conscience. Ours is a world of nuclear giants and ethical infants." Bradley Omar

# Your school is invited to participate in the Middle School Online Ethics Olympiad





'Overall the Ethics Olympiad was incredible and "Brilliant idea- Out Teacher) opened my eyes to all the possibilities and also allowed it" (Victorian Teacher) definitely a life changing experience. It really opinions on the topics."(Queensland Student)

"Thoroughly enjoyed the day. From the material provided, I expected the set up to be more like formal provided, I expected the set up to be more like formal thoroughly enjoyed it. Thank-you for providing us with this opportunity." Now that I know what it's like, I think it will be easier (South Australian Student) to recruit students." (New Zealand Teacher)

"Excellent opportunity for all students and we all

#### What is an Ethics Olympiad?

The purpose of the Ethics Olympiad is to assist schools as they help students develop important skills such as communication skills, collaboration and critical thinking. Unlike a debate, students are not assigned a position. Rather they take their own considered position in relation to an ethical question. This unique event will interest Gifted and Talented teachers, Social Science Teachers, Philosophy and RE teachers, Principals and School Administrators. The event is designed to provide a focus for schools wanting to develop critical thinking skills in students.

#### How does it work?

Each school will register a team or two teams of five 'ethletes'. During the day we will use zoom technology to bring students together. All students will be involved in a series of four Ethics Olympiad heats where they will be scored according to set criteria which rewards, clear, concise, respectful discourse around challenging ethical cases. Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals will be awarded to the three top ranked teams

The heats will be run simultaneously- with a common format and common timing. There will be a round robin format with different schools participating against each other. A central timing system and administrator will coordinate the event so that all Heats start and finish at the same time. Teachers will act as judges during the day. Score sheets and criteria will be sent to coaches once you have registered. Scores will be private on the day, but we will email the final results to coaches after the Registration fee: \$40 per student for members -\$45 per student for non-members. There is no assembly.

### 2020 Middle School Olympiads

Hobart - Wednesday 4th November Canberra - Friday 6th November Perth- Monday 9th November Gold Coast - Wednesday 11th November Brisbane - Friday 13th November Townsville - Saturday 14th November Auckland- Wednesday 18th November Wellington - Thursday 19th November Christchurch- Friday 20th November **Sydney- Monday- 23rd November Sydney - Tuesday 24th November** Melbourne - Wednesday 25th November Darwin - Friday 27th November Adelaide -Friday 27th November

## Eligible Year levels

In Australia we invite teachers of Middle school students Years 7 - 9 to participate.

In NZ we invite Intermediate and High School students to participate. Years 7-9

event. Medals will be posted to the schools and a certificate will be cost for supervising teachers and a discount for early bird registrations. Sign up here: emailed to schools to be printed and awarded to students at a school www.ethicsolympiad.org/2020MiddleSchoolOlympiads/2020MSEthicsOlympiadMeetsNove mber.html ABN: 52 606 554 367 | Ethics Olympiad - PO BOX 116, Dernancourt SA 5075