

**Advertisement for the position of 2022  
Independent Schools Debating Association (ISDA)  
Chief Adjudicator**

The Debating Convenor and members of Independent Schools Debating Association (ISDA) are seeking an experienced debater and adjudicator to take on the position of ISDA Chief Adjudicator for 2022.

The ISDA Competition consists of seven preliminary rounds and five finals rounds, conducted in the first and second school terms of each calendar year. The competition currently involves 32 independent schools covering a large geography of Sydney.

Each school is required to debate a select seven schools in a 'round robin' fashion. Each School is required to field one team from Year 7 to Year 10, in addition to two Senior teams (comprised of students up to Year 12) and two Primary teams (comprised on students from Years 5 and 6).

**Chief Adjudicator**

The Chief Adjudicator's position is a one-year contract initially, which will be reviewed after one-year. Should the ISDA Convenor be is satisfied with the performance of the Chief Adjudicator, the contract will be renewed for an additional year.

Applications for the position are advertised via the debating societies of the main universities of Sydney. Initial interviews are conducted by the ISDA Convenor and members of the Executive.

The role of the Chief Adjudicator is to select approximately fifty adjudicators for weekly debating rounds. The Chief Adjudicator is responsible for setting the weekly adjudication roster, employing the best adjudicators for the higher ranked debates, compiling the results after each round and maintaining the tally, creating the draw for finals rounds, and creating the draw for the following year.

The role also extends to creating topics and working closely with the ISDA Debating Convenor about all matters concerning adjudications, and other matters as the Executive deems fit.

The main primary duties listed for the Chief Adjudicator include but are not limited to:

- a) recruit and select potential adjudicators for the ISDA Competition.
- b) attend, coordinate and train adjudicators
- c) organise the weekly roster of adjudicators for all rounds as per the draw (panels from semi-finals)
- d) be free from adjudication commitments in other competitions for Friday evenings when ISDA debating rounds are held
- e) communicate regularly with the ISDA school coordinators regarding the adjudication standards and problems (including the counselling of adjudicators as part of their training)
- f) attend any Meetings when scheduled, including the 2021 AGM.
- g) send a weekly roster with contact details of adjudicators to school coordinators
- h) maintain the online tally updates to schools as per the ISDA constitution (after round 3 & 6)
- i) hold a current, paid, Working With Children Check (WWCC)
- j) maintain the ISDA website

*The position offered is a child related employment as defined in the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act (updated 2013). You should be aware that providing false or misleading information in relation to the Prohibited Employment Declaration is a punishable offence under the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act and will lead to the School terminating your employment.*

Please email your cover letter and CV to the 2021/2022 ISDA Convenor, **Miss Ell Katte** at [ekatte@roseville.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ekatte@roseville.nsw.edu.au)

**Applications close Tuesday 31 August. Interviews will commence after applications have closed.**