

# PDWC 2020

## Connecting to the Future

High School Parliamentary Debate  
World Conference and Competition

### Information Guide

Thursday, February 13 – Thursday, February 20, 2020



WakuPro



## Greetings from the Organizers



**Kazuko Nakadai**  
President Chair, WakuPro  
Foundation



**Shigemi Sugita**  
Director, WakuPro Foundation  
Heritage Resort Shikinoyu  
OnsenPresident, Takane Fudo  
K.K.

We are pleased to announce that we will hold the PDWC 2020 High School Parliamentary Debate World Conference & Competition, as part of our foundation's International Friendship Program. In previous conferences, high school students from around the world fostered friendships with 'Friendship Future', set our sights to become 'Future Peace Ambassadors', stepped up to 'Challenging the Future', then set out to begin 'Creating the Future'. In the Olympic year of 2020, we will dedicate ourselves to the tasks of putting what we have learned into action and 'Connecting to the Future'. We look forward to welcoming next year's student participants to this event.

## Organizing team



**Misako Fujita**  
Chief, Executive Committee  
Director, WakuPro  
Foundation  
President, Nakadai Jimu  
Center K.K.



**Skip Swanson**  
Executive Committee  
Director, WakuPro Foundation



**Yoshinori Nambo**  
Executive Committee  
Director, WakuPro  
Foundation



**Joseph Shabat**  
Staff  
Dror School Teacher



**Midori Sasaki**  
Staff  
Southland Boys'  
High School Teacher



**Michelle Gray**  
Staff  
Robina State High School Teacher

## **Debate Mate:** Partner Organization



**Margaret McCabe**

Barrister-at-law  
CEO & Founder



Debate Mate Schools is an educational charity that uses the brightest university students to run after-school debate clubs in areas of high child poverty across the world. Over the last nine years, we have successfully taught over 25,000 young people to debate in the UK, USA, Jamaica, Nepal, Dubai, Doha, Mexico, Rwanda, Kenya, Ghana, Nigeria, China, Japan, Korea and Israel.







## **Overview of event**

### **Dates**

Thursday, February 13 to Thursday, February 20.

1. Debate Competition: Friday, February 14 to Sunday, February 16
2. Excursion: Monday, February 17 to Wednesday, February 19

### **Venues**

**Debate Event Venue** February 13–15 and 19–20

**Hotel Heritage**

228 Oegawa Kumagaya-shi Saitama-ken 360-0103 Tel: (81) 48-536-1212

**Ski Venue** February 16-18

**Hotel Angel Grandia**

4707-1 Tsuchidaru Yuzawa-machi Minami Uonuma-gun Niigata-ken 949-6103 Tel: (81) 48-536-1212

### **Participating Schools:**

12 Schools from Japan + 12 schools from outside Japan

## **Applications for PDWC2020**

We will be accepting applications from 1 May to 31 July 2019.

Each team consists of 3 students and 1 accompanying teacher, totaling 4 persons.

Applicants must supply the following information for all for team members:

- Name
- Age
- School Name
- Teacher contact information
- Your school's first day of school year
- Application materials to submit:
  1. Written debate (1 page A4 size), either Proposition or Opposition  
Motion: THW ban use of social media for children under 16  
Note: As the students will be the ones actually debating, teachers may not correct or edit written debates.
  2. Motivation for applying (video format: include link to download, private YouTube, etc.)

Send inquiries and applications to: [info@pdwc.jp](mailto:info@pdwc.jp)





## Schedule

<b>Feb 13</b>		Participant Check-in	<b>Feb 17</b>	AM	Kawagoe Koedo Sightseeing
<b>Feb 14</b>	AM	Orientation		Eve	Arrive Hotel Angel Grandia
		Debate training	<b>Feb 18</b>		Skiing / Snowshoe Walking
	13:30	Opening Ceremony	<b>Feb 19</b>	AM	Leave Angel Grandia Hotel
		Mixed Debate			Bullet Train to Tokyo
	Eve	Welcome Dinner			Sightseeing in Tokyo
<b>Feb 15</b>	AM	Debate rounds		Eve	Arrive Hotel Heritage
	PM	Debate rounds			Final Dinner Party
<b>Feb 16</b>	AM	Debate rounds	<b>Feb 20</b>	AM	Return home
	PM	Final Debate			
	15:00	Closing Ceremony			

\*Schedule may change



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