

SOUTHEND HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS

ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Headteacher: Mrs R V Worth



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Dear Parents/carers,

Re: English-Speaking Union MACE Competition – November 2025

I am pleased to inform you that your child has been selected to represent the school as part of our ESU MACE Debate Team this academic year. The first round of the competition will take place from 16:00 on Tuesday 18th November 2025 at Westcliff High School for Boys. The team are working hard in preparation and are very much looking forward to the event.

We are proposing that the team will meet at reception at 3.30pm on the day, before walking to Westcliff High School for Boys, which is just a short distance away. The students will be supervised by myself and Mr Randall throughout.

The competition organisers have indicated that the event will begin at 16:00 and finish at approximately 20:30, although it may finish slightly earlier depending on how smoothly the rounds progress. We will encourage students to keep in contact with you to update you on any changes to the expected finish time.

Parents/carers and supporters are very welcome to attend the competition. All visitors will need to sign in at Reception at Westcliff High School for Boys. Parking at the front of the school is limited, so it is recommended that visitors use the South Drive entrance on Eastwood Boulevard, which will be open from 3:35pm. A Sixth Former may be available to help direct cars towards the Sports Hall and Library area. Visitors will then be directed to the front of the school and Reception. At the end of the event, students will be dismissed from Westcliff High School for Boys to make their own way home.

As with all school visits, pupils are expected to uphold the standards set out in the school's Code of Conduct for Trips and Visits. Please review these via the link to the consent form and ensure that your child is aware of the required standards of behaviour.

Please complete the off-site consent form by 10am on Friday 7th November to give permission for your child to attend and to confirm travel arrangements home. The form can be found here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/9gitHZrBrL>

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at hlf@shsb.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

Dr H Frost

Leader of Psychology/Diversity Co-ordinator/SHSB MACE Coordinator

