

English-Speaking Union Competitions 2024-25 key dates

All of the dates for your diary for the
Schools' Mace Debating, Public Speaking and Performing Shakespeare competitions



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13 September - Registration closes

October

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2 October - Schools' Mace Round 1 draw sent to schools
7 October - Public Speaking Round 1 draw sent to schools
10 October - Shakespeare welcome bulletin sent to schools

November

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1 November to 11 December - Window for schools to hold their Performing Shakespeare Round 1 internal process
7 November to 27 November - Schools' Mace Round 1 heats take place
11 November to 29 November - Public Speaking Round 1 heats take place via Zoom

December

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1 November to 11 December - Window for schools to hold their Performing Shakespeare Round 1 internal process
10 December - Schools' Mace Round 2 draw sent to schools
12 December - Public Speaking Round 2 draw sent to schools
13 December - Performing Shakespeare results submission deadline

January

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13 January to 31 January - Schools' Mace Round 2 heats take place
16 January to 5 February - Public Speaking Round 2 heats take place

February

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16 January to 5 February - Public Speaking Round 2 heats take place
7 February - Performing Shakespeare Round 2 draw sent to schools
11 February - Schools' Mace Regional Final draw sent to schools
12 February - Public Speaking Competition Regional Final draw sent to schools

March

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3 March to 21 March - Performing Shakespeare Round 2 heats take place
10 March to 20 March Schools' Mace Regional Finals take place
12 March to 25 March - Public Speaking Competition Regional Finals take place
28 March - Schools' Mace Finals Day draw sent to schools

April

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2 April - Public Speaking Competition Finals Day draw sent to schools
2 April - Performing Shakespeare Regional Final draw sent to schools
30 April - Schools' Mace Finals Day

May

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1 May to 15 May - Performing Shakespeare Regional Finals take place
22 May - Performing Shakespeare Grand Final draw sent to schools
30 May - Public Speaking Competition Finals Day

June

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12 June - Performing Shakespeare Grand Final takes place

Should you need any further assistance, please contact a member of the Competitions Team (competition@esu.org) and we'll be happy to help you.