## Welcome to the 2025-2026 Debate season!

It promises to be an exciting year. To begin, our new website will offer you lots of information about debating in Ontario, and please tell others that our new website is **debateontario.ca**. If you use the old web address, which is **osdu.org**, you will be redirected to the new website, but *this will happen only for this year*.

From the Ontario Student Debating Union (OSDU) organized tournaments to the University tournaments and the Pro-Con League, there is much opportunity for students to engage in debating. However, we are aware that many schools are just beginning their debate clubs and would like to know how to debate. On this website, you will find information about how to register for OSDU, how to start a debate club and how to prepare for tournaments. You will also find many resources for debaters, coaches and judges. While you are doing so, please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions, which you can do by writing your Regional Coordinator.

Your decision to participate in debating has never been more important because the information landscape is increasingly complex. How do we know what is true and what is false? Your education, your reading and your reflection will carry you a long way, but your decision to engage in debating will carry you further because it is very important to develop your logical reasoning skills, which creates discernment, in the context of analyzing and debating many of the very important issues of our times.

We look forward to working with you this year!