

**SCOLAR English Alliance 2023/25**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Programme</b>	<b>Impromptu Speaking: give a short speech with little or no preparation.</b> <b>(Code: ESU02S 23/25)</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Programme Partner</b>	The English-Speaking Union (Hong Kong) was established in 2001 as an independent, non-profit-making organisation whose mission is to promote local and international understanding and friendship through the widening use of the English language. ESU HK is a registered charity under Section 88 of the Hong Kong Inland Revenue Ordinance. It is affiliated to ESU International established in 1918 with branches that are non-political, educational entities operating in over fifty countries. Since 2006 ESU successfully curated for SCOLAR “Persuasive English: Debating Workshop,” “Listening, Reading and Understanding,” “Reading Programme” and “Reader’s Theatre” for secondary school students.
<b>3.</b>	<b>Programme Aims and Expected Outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn strategies to organise content and speak successfully with little or no preparation.</li> <li>• Provide opportunities to think quickly and organise ideas clearly.</li> <li>• Help students learn coping strategies and how to speak fluently.</li> </ul>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Programme Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students will learn the skills of making quick and interesting speeches; how to deliver them and impress the audience.</li> <li>• A choice of two versions is available: Version 1 (Speak for 30 seconds on easier topics. Version 2 (Speak for 1-2 minutes on more challenging topics.)</li> </ul>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Participants</b>	<p><u>Student participants</u>  <b>25 S2-5 students per school.</b>  <i>(All sessions are to be attended by the same group of student participants.)</i></p> <p><u>Teacher participant</u>  <b>1 English language teacher per school</b> for observing, supporting students’ learning and to repeat the training with other classes.</p>
<b>6.</b>	<b>No. of Sessions</b>	<b>Two 2-hour sessions</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Date and Time</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On any two weekdays between October 2023 and August 2025, except public holidays.</li> <li>• Dates and time of the classes will be arranged with successful applicants.</li> </ul>
<b>8.</b>	<b>Venue</b>	At premises of the participating schools.
<b>9.</b>	<b>How to Apply</b>	<p>Complete the google form or QR code on SCOLAR website.</p> <p align="center"><a href="https://forms.gle/b716DaAe8wCtMhVx5">https://forms.gle/b716DaAe8wCtMhVx5</a></p> 
<b>10.</b>	<b>Remarks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introductory video of the programme is available on SCOLAR and the ESU HK websites, Facebook, IG. (<a href="http://www.esuhk.org">www.esuhk.org</a>) or via below link or QR code.</li> </ul> <p align="center"><a href="#">Impromptu Speaking video</a></p>



- Application is on a first come, first served basis. Applicants can indicate joining the priority list for year two in case of over enrolment.
- The English-Speaking Union will notify successful schools by email.
- If face-to-face classes are suspended during the programme period, the sessions will be conducted online.