

National Finals

Global Issues Problem Solving competition



Outline of Activity

The finalists in each division of the Global Issues Problem Solving competition are invited to participate in the National Finals Global Issues Problem Solving competition.

The result of the 2021 Global Issues Problem Solving competition and Invitations to the 2022 International Conference will be announced at the National Finals Award Ceremony on October 22nd, 2021, at 1 pm AEDT

Competition Rules

- All participants are given a choice to complete their booklets using FPSOnline or paper.
FPS Online is a web-based platform that allows students to complete their booklets in a virtual setting – all four team members can work simultaneously from any location. In addition, FPS Online includes a chat feature.
QLD GIPS students can also complete their booklets using FPSOnline. They will need to bring their charged laptops to the Finals Venue. They will be given a wifi password to access the internet.
- The times stated in these rules apply to both Friday and Saturday and the time zone you are in.
- There must be a parent/coach/proctor present to monitor that students do not use non-permitted items and to ensure that they adhere to the rules contained within this document for the duration of the competition.
- The Future Scene will be emailed to coaches at 8:30 am, one hour before the competition start time.
- Coaches should print four copies on the Future Scene and present these to the students at the start time of 9:30 am. Only 2 hours are permitted for student work upon receiving the Future Scene.
- All participants start at the pre-assigned time of 9:30 am
- Students are not permitted to utilise any outside resources during the 2 hour competition. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to student notes prepared before the competition, research, references, category lists, coach/parent advice, internet searches, etc.
- Only registered students (team or individuals) may contribute to the work submitted.
- The Future Scene may not be shared or discussed beyond the competition.
- All booklets completed on paper are to be scanned and emailed to office@fppsp.org.au before 12 noon. This allowed for 30 mins post booklet finish time to complete the submission.

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Evaluation

Global Issues Problem Solving competition booklets will be evaluated using the official Australian Evaluation Guidelines. Booklets are evaluated independently, and ranking is determined based upon total points, rank, and evaluator consensus. All booklets will receive 2 evaluations in Round 1. Top booklets will advance to Round 2. Final Round evaluations will occur to determine the final placement of top booklets. Awards are given for top-ranking booklets by division.

Acknowledgment

Submission of a booklet for competition indicates that the student work was completed in compliance with the Global Issues Problem Solving competitive guidelines. The written submission of the individual or team, as the case may be, is original work and the sole creation of registered student's(s') own efforts and ideas. The work was completed in the designated 2 hour timeframe without any outside assistance, with the exception of technological support in scanning and uploading the booklet. Plagiarism is an offense defined as the use of another's words, ideas, or expressions without acknowledging the source. Non-compliance with the outlined competitive guidelines or plagiarism is grounds for immediate disqualification from the National Finals Global Issues Problem Solving competition.