

# Lazomun

## Formal and informal debate

**Today, we'll explain what formal and informal debate are.**

During the LAZOMUN conference, which will take place from 7th to 9th February at the Lazarist High School, students will play the role of delegates from different countries.

Their mission consists on finding solutions to major world problems and trying to get them adopted, like at the UN !

Since the start of the year, each delegation has been working on resolutions.

These ideas are prepared in class and will be defended during the conference. The country delegates have worked hard and hope to win the formal debate.



The informal debate is the moment to talk freely in small groups, called committees.

Delegates discuss, negotiate and look for allies among countries that have the same interests.

For a solution to be passed in the debate, it must be voted by at least 1/3 of the countries in the committee.

After the informal debate, it is time for the formal debate. Each committee presents the chosen resolutions.

The ideas are explained more clearly and discussed in front of all the other countries.

The debate is organised by a committee chair, who makes sure that the rules are respected.

The representative of each country answers questions and comments.

**Then comes the final vote :  
The solution with the most votes is adopted.  
The country representative who best defends their point of view will win the debate !**