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KAPNAYAN 2025

“A Cure's Formula: Catalyzing Drug Discovery Towards Health Equity Through Medicinal Chemistry”

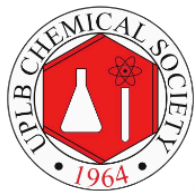
The **Extemporaneous Speech Contest** is a minor competition event under the KAPNAYAN 2025, the triennial weeklong chemistry fair organized by the UPLB Chemical Society. This contest endeavors to foster critical thinking among students as well as argumentative skills in public speaking.

ELIGIBILITY RULES

1. All bonafide Junior and Senior high school students of recognized learning institutions in the Philippines are qualified to participate in the competition.
2. Only one (1) contestant from an institution registered for KAPNAYAN 2025 can join the contest.
3. This contestant may participate in one (1) major competition but may no longer participate in any other minor competition in KAPNAYAN 2025 except for the photo contest.
4. Only a maximum of 50 participants may participate in this competition. Securing the slot will be on a first come, first served basis.

CONTEST PROPER

1. The contestant must be present at the venue **ten (10) minutes** before the start of the event. Otherwise, they are automatically **disqualified**.
2. The contestants should be in their proper school uniform and the identification cards provided at the registration booth.
3. The theme of the contest will be related to the talk that will be given at the **seminar** on the **first day** of the Kapnayan week.
4. The criteria for judging shall be announced before the contest proper.
5. The questions for each participant will be chosen via the **fishbowl method**.
6. **One-half (½) A4 paper** with the logo of the UPLB Chemical Society will be given to each contestant as scratch paper for their preparation time. The contestant must bring their own ballpen.
7. Each contestant will be given **five (5) minutes** to prepare and a maximum of **four (4) minutes** to deliver their respective speeches.
8. The masters of the ceremony shall signify the start and end of the preparation period and speech delivery.
9. The timekeeper will raise a sign board to remind the contestant if there are only thirty (30) seconds left before the end of the speech proper to wrap-up.
10. Once the timekeeper gives the signal to the end of the speech proper, the contestant must **stop** delivering their speech. Every exceeding second of the speech after their allotted time will lead to **deductions**.
11. If the participants are still delivering their speech 10 seconds after their allotted time, a buzzer will be played to signal the participants to officially end their speech.
12. The contestants will be judged by the selected board of judges. Winners will be identified as **First Placer, Second Placer, and Third Placer**, which shall be announced during the Awarding Ceremony after the National Chemistry Quiz Contest on February 1, 2025.
13. The winners shall receive the following prizes:
 - a. First Placer: A winner's plaque, a medal, a certificate, and a 3,000 peso cash prize.
 - b. Second Placer: A medal, a certificate, and a 2,000 peso cash prize.
 - c. Third Placer: A medal, a certificate, and a 1,500 peso cash prize.



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ADDITIONAL NOTES

1. Any form of coaching from the audience is grounds for disqualification.
2. Any form of communication between contestants and coaches is prohibited.
3. The order in which the participants will deliver their speech shall be randomly drawn prior to the event. The contestants will be informed by their respective order on the event proper.
4. The Quiz Committee reserves the right to change these rules with the appropriate notice to the concerned.

CRITERIA

Relevance to the Theme <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>The speech reflects the theme of the contest.</i>• <i>Unnecessary deviations from the main subject are avoided.</i>• <i>The topic is explored in sufficient depth</i>• <i>The speaker offers insightful perspectives or analysis.</i>	30%
Organization <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>There is a structure in the speech (it has a title, an introduction, a body, and a conclusion).</i>	20%
Content <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>The speaker shows a deep understanding of the topic.</i>• <i>The speaker presented clear and concise arguments.</i>• <i>The ideas of the speech are connected coherently.</i>	30%
Delivery <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>The speaker engages with the audience.</i>• <i>The speaker demonstrates confidence and open body posture.</i>• <i>The speaker manages nervousness effectively.</i>• <i>The speaker successfully delivered their speech within the allotted time.</i>	20%
TOTAL	100%