

2026 Asynchronous Speech Championship

2026 ASC Extemp Questions

We trust all students and coaches to adhere to Limited Prep guidelines and ethical competition choices for preparation. **Extemp prep does not need to be included** in the performance video. Students will submit two videos.

**Special Note for Extemporaneous Speaking entries: Extemporaneous speaking as a category relies on timely questions and timely answers. Asynchronous competition adds a layer of complexity. In an effort to balance the timeliness of questions with the nature of recording speeches, we will release Extemp Prompts by two weeks prior to the tournament. We also encourage students to note in the video title and/or description the date the speech was recorded to give judges context for why an answer may have been given if subsequent news cycles may have impacted the way a question was answered. Judges will be reminded of this on all extemporaneous speaking ballots to take into account the timing of recording with the way the questions are answered.*

Speech #1

Domestic Politics

- 1) What are the Democrats chances of flipping the Maine Senate seat?
- 2) Will Epstein-file revelations lead to any significant criminal charges?
- 3) Grade the GOP effort to retain control of Congress after Midterms.

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Speech #2

International

- 1) How close are we to World War III?
- 2) Is there a path for María Corina Machado to make meaningful reform in Venezuela?
- 3) How important is India's role in brokering global peace?