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Dear Participants, Organisers and Parents

Oppie Tong Af/ On The Tip Of Your Tongue gives the youth of the country a voice to change their world, to change their country and to change their immediate environment. The value of this project is to find your identity as a public speaker. Although 2020 brought our Nation to a standstill, we need to push forward and develop as individuals, therefore no speech delivered in 2020 will be re-evaluated in 2021.

We are pleased to announce that Oppie Tong Af/ On The Tip Of Your Tongue will continue with the more than successful "LIVE" online platform in order to develop the youth of this country into confident leaders in 2021. Grade 1-12 students from across the country take part in this fast growing and widespread youth leadership in public speaking project. Oppie Tong Af/ On The Tip Of Your Tongue is offering the biggest "LIVE" online public speaking platform nationwide. We are leading the charge to gather online. We are the forerunners of meeting together, while being apart.

We are going to make an impact in 2021 in the following way:

- "LIVE" online courses defying the cornerstones and approaches to skills development within public speaking will be provided.
- There will be **NINE** "LIVE" online provincial competitions. One in each province throughout the year.
- A National Group Orators "LIVE" online competition will be hosted in September 2021.
- We aim to host a "LIVE" national final in Gauteng should the Covid-19 regulations permit this glamorous event of the year.
- We are constantly challenging new and innovative thinking by integrating technology within our projects leaving a maximum impact footprint in relation to youth leadership and skills development. Keep an eye out for exciting new projects.

2021 Competition Dates

Northern Cape (closing 26 March 2021) 15-23 April 2021

Free State (closing 31 March 2021) 03- 11 May 2021

Western Cape (closing 31 March 2021) 12-21 May 2021

Limpopo (closing 16 April 2021) 22-28 May 2021

Gauteng (closing 18 June 2021) 14 July-06 August 2021

Mpumalanga (closing 16 July 2021) 10-17 August 2021

Eastern Cape (closing 16 July 2021)

18-24 August 2021

North West (closing 23 July 2021) 25-31 August 2021

Kwazulu Natal (closing 20 August 2021) 01 -04 September 2021

LIVE National Final 14 & 15 October 2021

National Group Orators (closing 25 August 2021)

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This is how easy it will be to connect:

- 1. You need to own a smart phone with a camera.
- 2. Ensure that your smart phone is charged for your performance.
- 3. You will need a dependable 3G internet connection or better.
- 4. Download the BlueJeans app from your Google Play Store (Android) or IOS App Store (Apple). This is an audio and video conferencing medium.
- 5. Participants will receive a unique code which will allow them to form part of the scheduled session in which they have to perform.
- 6. Everyone in your house can also enjoy the competition.

Keep in mind:

- 1. Participants need to make themselves available according to the timeslots as set out in the programme. Programmes will indicate registration times.
- 2. This is a National competition and rules and regulations apply at all times.
- 3. It will remain the participant's responsibility to connect to the session on time.
- 4. Do your camera angle setup beforehand.
- 5. Please be professional. Performances will take place in school uniform.
- 6. Oppie Tong Af/ On The Tip Of Your Tongue will contact participants direct via whatsapp messenger with instructions and directions (All the participant contact numbers must be supplied to us via the organisers responsible for the entries)
- 7. Our adjudicator's can only adjudicate what they see and hear.
- 8. A photo of your feedback form will be sent to you via the whatsapp platform straight after your session.
- 9. Certificates will be emailed to the organiser or person responsible for the entries.
- 10. The following sections will be adjudicated in this way:
 - Oorredingstoespraak-Afrikaans: Individueel Voorbereid
 - Persuasive Speech- English: Individual Prepared
 - Afrikaans: Motiveringstoespraak
 - English: Motivational Speech
 - Afrikaans: Vermaaklikheidstoespraak
 - English: Entertainment Speech
 - Afrikaans: Die Goue Tong
 - English: The Golden Tongue
 - Afrikaans: Oorredingstoespraak Individueel Onvoorbereid
 - English: Persuasive Speech Individual Unprepared
- 11. The best speakers will be invited to the National Final Event as per the Oppie Tong Af/ On The Tip Of Your Tongue rules and regulations.
- 12. We are hosting a National group orators competition that will run separately form the individual competition. We trust that the Covid-19 regulations will permit us to host our annual National Final event, LIVE in Gauteng in October 2021. Only then will the top groups be invited to this event.
- 13. The following sections will be adjudicated in this way:
 - Oorredingstoespraak- Afrikaans: Span Voorbereid
 - Persuasive Speech- English: Group Prepared
- 14. For more information, rules and guidelines visit www.oppietongaf.co.za
- 15. All entries are done online at www.oppietongaf.co.za

We stand in awe to see just how flexible and original the youth of this country is. PUT THE THOUGHTS ON THE TIP OF YOUR TONGUE AND CHANGE YOUR WORLD!!