CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ESC

ONLINE

8-10 June 2021

What You Need to Know

GETTING **STARTED**

What is ESC?

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The European Student Convention should not be missed! It is a fantastic opportunity for your students/children (ages 10 - 19) to interact with other students, receive solid Biblical teaching in dynamic rallies, and sharpen their skills as they prepare for and compete in a wide variety of events.

Where is ESC?

This year ESC is online—so it may look a little different!

Events will be submitted prior to the start of the event, and there will be daily workshops and rallies during the event.

Rallies and workshops will be conducted online. Details on how to connect will be sent closer to the event.

Contact us

Should you need assistance at any time, please do not hesitate to contact the CEE support office.

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When is ESC?

Dates: 8 - 10 June 2021

Events will be submitted prior to the start of ESC (see back page for deadlines).

An online programme will run from 8 - 10 June 2021. Details of the programme will follow closer to the time.

Helpful documents

The following helpful resources are available for download from our website.

Event Guidelines
Download the full set of guidelines for the convention with details on the criteria for each event. These should be read in conjunction with this booklet. *Things will be different this year, so please read the guidelines even if you've been to ESC before.*

Junior Guidelines
These guidelines are specific to the events for junior students.

Update emails
Emails containing updates and reminders about ESC are sent out regularly (especially closer to the event), so look out for and read these thoroughly.

Event website
The ESC event website will also have regular updates and links to guidelines, forms etc. Be sure to check it regularly!

HIGHLIGHTS **2021**

Programme

ESC online will take place over 3 days.

Since most events will be submitted prior to the start of ESC, the time will be filled with:
- daily rallies
- workshops to help students improve in (or discover) various disciplines
- live events like Chess and Bible Bowl
- time to connect with friends

Sessions will be kept to daytime (school) hours.

Daily Devotions, Command Performances and Awards will also be included in a variety of ways.

Details on how to connect to the sessions will be sent to sponsors closer to the time of the event.

Event changes

The events list had been simplified for 2021. We have also added in some new events especially for the online version of ESC. Check the events list (page 8) and the guidelines for details.

If your students have already started working on an event that is not on the events list, contact us on events@christian.education to discuss.

Foreign delegates

The European Student Convention is pleased to welcome schools and families from all over the world. And this year it is easier than ever!

As we're online, we encourage our international schools to make the most of this opportunity to discover what ESC is all about.

Junior Convention

After a good start in 2018, we will be again running a junior convention alongside the senior event.

Students between the ages of 10 and 12 years will be able to choose from a specific selection of events in all categories (Academics, Art & Design, Sport, Music & Platform) and will submit their entries and be judged in their age group.

This is a wonderful opportunity to introduce your younger students to ESC in a relaxed and fun environment and will prepare them more thoroughly for the step up to the senior events. They can also join seniors for a selection of team events (enquire with the office).

Separate guidelines will apply (see the Junior Guidelines).

*Note: 12 year olds may choose between entering junior or senior convention, but not both.

EVENT DETAILS

Participant eligibility

Students between the ages of 12 and 19 are eligible to participate in the senior events. They must have reached/be reaching their 12th birthday before the end of July 2021 and must not have reached their 20th birthday by this same date.

Students who have reached/will reach their 10th birthday by 31 July 2021 and are not yet 13 by this date may participate in the junior section.

(12 year olds may choose between junior and senior convention.)

Participants must currently be using the Accelerated Christian Education curriculum in a Christian school/learning centre or through home education with TEACH. They must attend the entire convention, including rallies and at least 3 workshops.

Team events

Schools/TEACH families may join a different school/TEACH family in order to complete a team; this is the responsibility of the school/TEACH.

If you choose to do this, please be sure to follow all current government guidance with regards to meeting as groups and take all necessary precautions.

If you are joining with another group, or if a school is entering more than one group in an event, please submit a CF3 form to indicate the teams. (CF3 forms will be submitted online.)

Event Submissions

All entries will be submitted digitally using the ESC event website.

Please ***do not post or email*** any entries or forms.

Entries will be submitted in the following way:

1. Go to the ESC booking site and click on 'Submit Entries.'
2. Click on the Judges' form for the event you are entering.
3. Complete the required fields in the form.
4. Click on the upload button to attach your entry.
   - Where additional items are needed (e.g. a photo), there will be a space to upload these too.
   - Creative composition affidavits will be included as part of the Judges' Form so you only have to complete one document.
5. Click Submit to send your form and entry to the ESC office.
   - There will also be an option to save forms until you are ready to submit them. (Be sure to save the link provided.)

Submission Types

Performance entries (such as platform and music) will be submitted in the form of a video. Others will require photos be submitted. Also, the format of some events will change (e.g. Exhibits), so be sure to read the guidelines for each event ***before*** starting.

Submission Dates

Refer to the back page of this document or the events website for the closing dates for submission of different events.

EVENT LIST

Academic

Code	Event	Group Size
9202	Draughts Live	Individual
9203	Chess Live	Individual
9204	Spelling Live	Individual
9211	Science Exhibit (Research)	Group of 1 or 2
9213	Science Exhibit (Theoretical)	Group of 1 or 2
9215	Social St. Exhibit (Research)	Group of 1 or 2
9216	PACE Challenge Live	Team of 1-4
9217	Bible Bowl Live	Team of 1-5
9220	Essay Writing	Individual
9221	Poetry Writing	Individual
9222	Short Story Writing	Individual
9223	Website Design	Group of 1 or 2
9224	PowerPoint Pres. (Linear)	Group of 1 or 2
9225	PowerPoint Pres. (Non-Linear)	Group of 1 or 2
9231	Golden Apple (Proverbs)	Individual
9232	Golden Lamb (John)	Individual
9233	Golden Harp (Psalms)	Individual
9234	Christian Soldier	Individual
9235	Christian Worker	Individual
9236	Golden Lamp ESC	Individual
9237	Consecutive Word Count	Individual

Art

Code	Event	Group Size
	2D	
9301	Oil	Individual
9302	Watercolour	Individual
9303	Acrylics	Individual
9304	Sketching	Individual
9305	Pen & Ink	Individual
9306	Coloured Pencils	Individual
9307	Pastels (Oil)	Individual
9315	Pastels (Chalk) ESC	Individual
	3D	
9310	Woodcarving	Individual
9314	Scrapbooking	Individual

Photography

Code	Event	Group Size
	Monochromatic	
9321	Scenic	Individual
9322	Still Life	Individual
9323	Plants & Animals	Individual
9325	Character Trait Picture	Individual
	Monochromatic/Colour	
9324	Photo Journalism ESC	Individual
	Colour	
9331	Scenic	Individual
9332	Still Life	Individual
9333	Plants & Animals	Individual
9334	Special Effects	Individual
9335	Character Trait Picture	Individual
9340	Computer Enhancement	Individual

Needle & Thread

Code	Event	Group Size
9351	Dresses	Individual
9355	Counted Cross-Stitch	Individual
9356	Embroidery	Individual

Sport

Code	Event	Group Size
	2021 Special Events	
2102	Distance Awards ESC	Individual
2103	Physical Fitness ESC	Individual
2104	Keepy-Uppies Challenge ESC	Individual
2105	Tennis Tap-Ups Challenge ESC	Individual
2106	Tennis Rally Challenge ESC	Team of 2
2107	Table Tennis Rally Challenge ESC	Team of 2

Music

Code	Event	Group Size
	Vocal	
9501x	Vocal Solo (Male/Female)	Individual
9503x	Vocal Group (Male/Female)	Group of 2-4
9512x	Ensemble	Group of 5+
	Vocal/Instrumental	
9514	Worship Band ESC	Group of 3-10
	Instrumental	
9520x	Piano Solo (Male/Female)	Individual
9527x	Instrumental Solo	Individual
9531x	Instrumental Group	Group of 2+
9550	Music Composition	Individual
9551	Music Arranging	Individual

Platform

Code	Event	Group Size
9602	Oratory	Individual
9603x	Dramatic Monologue	Individual
9604x	Expressive Reading	Individual
9606x	Famous Speech	Individual
9607x	Poetry Recitation	Individual
9609	Preaching - 13-15 (Male)	Individual
9610	Preaching - 16+ (Male)	Individual
9617	Group Bible Speaking	Group of 5+
9620x	One-Act Play	Group of 2-5
9621x	Illustrated Storytelling	Individual
9628	Scripture Video	Group of 1-5

Junior Convention Events

	Event	Group Size
	Creative Composition	Individual
	Art & Design	Individual
	Music	Indiv./Group
	Platform	Indiv./Group
	Chess/Draughts	Individual
	Join a Senior Team	Group
	Selection of Senior Events	
	See the Junior Guidelines for options	

Live - Event will take place online between 7-10 June   All other events will be pre-submitted   ESC - Only available at ESC (not ISC)

Individual event limits

Please take note of the following limits that apply to each participant.

- **Minimum** number of events is 3.
- **Maximum** number of events is 12.
- At least 2 events must be non-sporting events.
- Student must choose between chess and draughts (i.e. cannot enter both).
- Maximum number of **photography entries** is 2.

If you have any queries regarding these limits, please contact the ESC Office.

Live Events

A few events will be conducted 'live' in that they will take place during the week of ESC. They will be run online and details on how to connect will be sent to sponsors of those students who are participating.

Live events will include Chess, Draughts, PACE Challenge (a form of PACE Bowl) Bible Bowl, and Spelling.

Note: Where possible, sessions will be scheduled between 8 - 10 June, but if necessary, some sessions may need to be scheduled on 7 June.

All other events will need to be submitted for judging **prior** to ESC.

Can we walk the length of the UK together?

This year we have introduced the Sports Distance Awards—where you can get a medal based on how far you run/walk between now and the end of May. (See the guidelines for details.)

Do you think we can reach 800+ miles together?

EVENT **DETAILS**

Judges' Forms

All judges' forms will be completed online and submitted with entries (see Submission of Entries on page 7).

For preparation purposes, blank judges' forms can be downloaded from the Christian Education website. Use these to guide your preparation. (Check the Guidelines to see which forms are needed.)

Please **do not** submit any paper forms to the office.

Minimum score

Our goal is to reflect excellence and consecration to the Lord. We want to encourage everybody to participate, while at the same time maintaining a standard and challenging to do better.

In order to maintain this level of excellence, students will not be awarded a first place simply because they achieve the highest score in a category. Similarly, there will be no automatic first places if there is only one entry. Minimum scores will be applied in order to achieve first through sixth places.

Other event forms and photos

Progress Control Forms and ESC Project Forms are not required for any events. Students may continue to use these forms to assist them in their preparation, but these should not be submitted with entries.

Students applying for ICCE credit, however, must complete these forms and submit them to ICCE prior to the start of ESC. (Refer to the ICCE Manual for specifics.)

Some events may require additional forms or photos.

Please check the guidelines for details of what each event requires. All required items will be uploaded when submitting online entries.

ISC Qualification

The International Student Convention is the opportunity of a lifetime. It is attended by approximately 3,000 students from around the world, who are given the opportunity to use their God-given gifts and be challenged by the inspirational rallies.

ISC nominations will be awarded based on the standard of the entry and the requirements set by ACE in the USA. Please contact the ESC Office if you would like more information on ISC.

EVENT SPECIFICS

Bible Bowl

The books to be used for Bible Bowl in 2021 are II Chronicles, Esther, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Micah, Zechariah, Romans, Titus, 1 John, Revelation.

For details on Bible Bowl, please refer to the Convention Guidelines.

Scripture Video

Videos for ESC 2021 should be based on Psalm 145:1 - 146:2. Videos may also be based on the 2020 Scripture if already started or completed: 1 Samuel 3:1-20.

Remember to check the guidelines for details on what this event entails.

Group Bible Speaking

Group Bible Speaking is a memorised interpretation of a set passage of Scripture by a spoken choral group of 8 - 30 participants. This is a mixed performance event. Select one of the passages listed below:

- Proverbs 8:1 - 23
- Genesis 1:1 - 26, 31
- Joshua 3:14 - 4:14
- Psalm 11, 15 and 16
- Mark 10:13 - 31
- Acts 5:17 - 39
- Ephesians 6:1 - 20
- Isaiah 43:1 - 21

Please refer to the Convention Guidelines for more details on this event.

Science & SS Exhibits

This year, Science Exhibits will be submitted digitally so do not require a project board as usual. Please see the guidelines for details.

Art/Design

Please note that any Art/Design entries are to be compliant with dress code guidelines. This applies to Needlework, Photography and Art entries. Also, no item should attempt to portray the face of Jesus.

Photography

Please read all Photography guidelines carefully to ensure you enter into the correct category. Below are a few points that need to be highlighted.

General
- Students may use any camera for all entries (except Special Effects).
- Computer software may be used only for red eye, cropping, rotating, colour balance and tonal adjustment (lightness, darkness and contrast - not enhancement). No other enhancement is allowed in general categories.

Clarification of Categories
- *Character Trait* is a photo which clearly portrays one of the 90 character traits of Jesus. It may be of a person or object. The chosen character trait must be clearly indicated on the entry.
- *Special Effects* is a photo taken by using trick photography. Make use of objects, lighting, lenses or other equipment to create an illusion or unusual effect. No computer software may be used.
- *Computer Enhancement* is a photo taken using a film or digital camera, which is enhanced with computer software programs (such as Adobe ®Photoshop®, Adobe® Illustrator ®, or CorelDRAW®). Anything may be done to enhance the photo, provided it meets ACE guidelines.

HOW TO REGISTER

Process

Registration will be done through the ESC Event Website.

- Go to www.christian.education/esc-online and click on 'Register'.
- View the tutorial on the ESC website to see how to complete the online registration process.
- Add your sponsor/s and students.
- Add student entries (these can be edited until 7 May).
- Complete payment.

Important: If you already have a registration from 2020 that was carried over, we will contact you to assist with making changes to your registration.

Forms will also be completed and submitted online.

- Go to the 'Downloads' page on the ESC booking website and click on the appropriate form.
- Complete the form online and submit.
  There will be an option to save the form if you want to come back to it later.
- You will have the option to download your completed form.

Schools: We suggest you send the link for the CF6x (Student form) to the parents. Ask them to complete and submit the form online, download a copy and email it to you for your records. You will need to provide them with your school name and CEE account no.

Check the *Registration Checklist* to ensure you have submitted all the necessary forms.

If you have any queries, please email events@christian.education.

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2021 Fees

ESC Online   (Early Bird) *Preregister by 2 April*

Sponsor (only one sponsor needed per school)   £10

Student   £49
Students will receive:
    + Access to all rallies
    + 3 - 6 online training sessions/workshops
    + Passport
    + Gift pack
    + Participation certificate
    + Medals (if achieved)

Late Registration:
A £10 additional charge per person will apply for bookings after 2 April.

Online payment

Payments will be managed through the online booking website, which will be opened by 19 March 2021. Access the site at christian.education/esc-online.

Payments deadlines are as follows:

Early Bird:
  • Pay £15 by **2 April 2021** to qualify for Early Bird booking.
  • Pay the full amount due by 7 May 2021.

Late Registration (*£10 additional charge applies*):
  • Pay £15 of the total cost by **21 April 2021.**
  • Pay the full amount by 7 May 2021.

You will be able to track individual payments per student using the registration and payment portal.

GENERAL INFO

Sponsors

Sponsors are adults (21 years and over) who are responsible for supervising students.

There **must be** one sponsor with students at all times while connecting to remote sessions.

Any person sponsoring students who are not their own children must have a valid DBS certificate.

Sponsors are responsible for overseeing the dress and conduct guidelines for all students in their care. Furthermore, sponsors are responsible for the pastoring and welfare of their students throughout ESC. Sponsors should ensure that students are informed about practicing safety online and ensure that students behave appropriately during all online ESC sessions.

Dress Code

As a professional educational event, ESC has an established dress code that should be followed. Please refer to the ESC General Guidelines for details. These have been adapted for ESC Online.

If you have any queries on what is appropriate for ESC, please contact the ESC office.

ICCE Credit

It is possible to gain ICCE credit for ESC attendance and participation.

Application for credit for a **Single Entry Convention Credit** can be made for:
- Website Design
- Scripture Video
- Science Exhibits (not Collections)
- Social Studies Exhibit (not Collections)
- Photography — three entries required
- 2D Art — all categories
- 3D Art — Woodwork, Clay Sculpture, Metalwork or Needle & Thread

It is also possible for students to apply for a half credit or full credit for **Attendance & Participation**. Various requirements apply.

Students should use the ESC Project Form and Progress Control Form when planning to pursue ICCE credit. Students will also be required to submit a portfolio to the ICCE office.

For full details, refer to the ICCE Procedures Manual or contact the ICCE Office.

Note: It is not recommended that credit be sought by students attending Convention for the first time or those who are under 14 years of age.

Theme

The theme for ESC 2021 is 'LIFT UP YOUR EYES'.

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.
My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.
Psalm 121:1-2

DATES TO REMEMBER

Early Bird Registration - 2 April

Registration must be completed by this date, i.e. all registration forms should be submitted, all initial events must be registered online, and the £15 per person deposit should be paid in order for the Early Bird rates to apply (refer to pages 14-15 for details). *Changes to the students' events lists may still be made after this date.*

The balance of registration fees must be paid by 7th May.

Final Registration - 21 April

Late registrations close on this date, i.e. all registration forms should be submitted, all initial events must be registered online, and the £15 per person deposit should be paid. A additional charge of £10 will apply (refer to pages 14-15 for details). *Changes to the students' events lists may still be made after this date.*

The balance of registration fees must be paid by 7th May.

Final Event Changes and Payments - 7 May

Complete all changes to students' events lists and make final payments.

Event Submission Deadlines

Events to be submitted online (see page 7) by the following dates:

7 May — Essay, Short Story & Poetry Writing; PowerPoints & Website Design; Photography; Music Composition & Arranging; Scripture Video

14 May — Science & Social Studies Exhibits; 2D & 3D Art; Needle & Thread

21 May — Music Entries; Platform Entries; Sport Entries (except Distance Awards)

31 May — Distance Award Affidavits; Scripture Memory Affidavits; Consecutive Word Count