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2026 Grenlec Debates Open with Focus on Spicemas

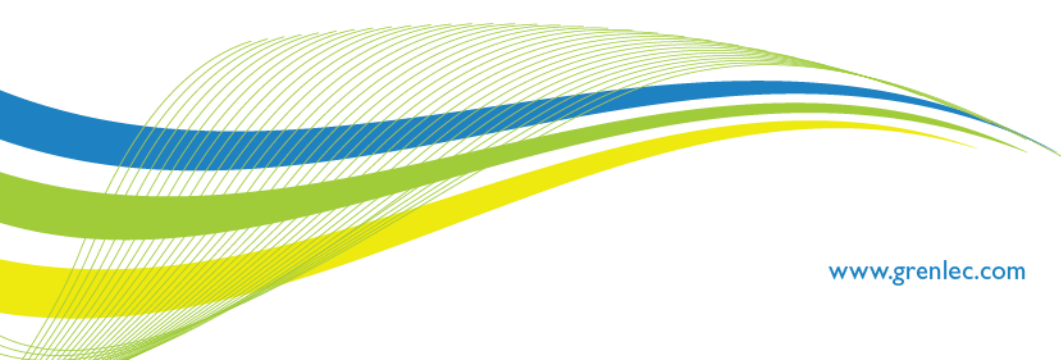
21 September 2026. The 2026 Grenlec Debates officially begin on Monday, 21 September, as 18 secondary schools registered for this season and will meet each other in a series of matches in the Preliminary Round.

In the Preliminary Round debaters will share perspectives on Spicemas, exploring issues of culture, identity, the Evolution of Grenada's Carnival and influences that have shaped Carnival over the years.

The impromptu format of the Grenlec Debates challenges students to think on their feet, analyse issues from different perspectives and present well-reasoned arguments with confidence. Students receive their topics on the day of their match and prepare their arguments in 30 minutes. While Coaches guide their research and strategy, on match day debaters do not have the opportunity to get help from their teachers or use electronic resources.

Prudence Greenidge, Grenlec's Communications Manager, says it is always a moment of pride for organisers, educators and parents as debaters step forward and their voices ring out clearly because they have something important to share.

Organisers and educators have noted that the experience of the Grenlec Debates helps shape confident young people, who are learning that it is important to try to understand and respect different perspectives.





Grenlec is grateful for the continued contributions of the army of volunteers from tertiary education institutions as well as the private and public sectors for helping to make the debates a success.

The Preliminary Round of the Debates will be hosted over 3 days from 21 - 23 September. Match results will be shared daily by media partners and on Grenlec's social media channels.

Audiences will get the chance to join the excitement starting in October, when highlights of the Preliminary Round and other matches come to life on television and Grenlec's YouTube channel.