

2024 Vice Presidential Debate: A Shift in Political Discourse

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EDITORIAL COMMENTS: Re-iterating the OLD VALUES of MUTUAL RESPECT:

www.DiGiNews360.com understands the highly competitive politics between the Ruling parties and the Opposition today. But, the fact is that the two are **competitors and not enemies**. The senior leaders of both must come forward and say again and again that both the candidates are **coming forward for public service and deserve respect**. The toxic environment, where some young of America can justify, in their confused minds, violent attacks on Trump or any other candidates and permit **citizens** or **regimes** with countries, which are living in countries with 'acute democracy-deficits' must be cleaned up. *(The names of nationals from Iran and Pakistan have been mentioned in news-items of the last fortnight.)*

October 3, 2024: The 2024 Vice Presidential Debate between Republican **JD Vance** and Democrat **Tim Walz** took place on October 1, 2024, marking a significant moment in this year's election cycle. Held at CBS News' Broadcast Center Studio 45 in New York City, the debate showcased not only the candidates' positions but also a evolving format for political discourse in America.

This year's vice-presidential face-off stood out for several reasons:

1. It was the ****only scheduled debate**** between the VP candidates for the 2024 election.
2. For the first time since 1987, both major parties opted out of debates sponsored by the Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD).
3. The debate was conducted without an audience or outside press, though it was made available to other broadcasters.

The Contenders



*****Democrat*****: *Tim Walz, Governor of Minnesota*



*****Republican*****: *JD Vance, the 40-year-old U.S. Senator from Ohio*

Format and Moderation: Moderated by Margaret Brennan and Norah O'Donnell of CBS News, the 90-minute debate introduced a notable change: both candidates' microphones remained on throughout, with CBS reserving the right to mute if necessary. This approach aimed to foster a more dynamic conversation while maintaining order.

Key Topics: The debate covered crucial issues facing the nation, with candidates focusing on:

- Defending their running mates' economic policies
- Abortion rights
- Immigration policy

By the Numbers: According to CNN's analysis:

- Tim Walz spoke for approximately 40 minutes and 42 seconds
- JD Vance had the floor for about 38 minutes and 59 seconds

Reception and Polls: The debate was largely considered a draw, with polls showing mixed results:

- A CNN poll showed a slight edge for Vance (51%) over Walz (49%)
- Other polls indicated similarly close margins or ties

Interestingly, major newspapers like The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, and USA Today declared Vance the winner. However, some outlets favored Walz, highlighting the divided opinions among media commentators.

The Bigger Picture: This debate held particular significance due to the tight race between presidential candidates Kamala Harris and Donald Trump. With the possibility of this being the final debate of the campaign season, both vice presidential candidates had a crucial opportunity to sway undecided voters and make their case to the American public.

Looking Ahead: As we move closer to Election Day, the impact of this debate on the overall race remains to be seen. What's clear, however, is that the 2024 Vice Presidential Debate represented a shift in the traditional debate format and showcased the evolving landscape of American political discourse.

■ View From Texas

Note.1.: Please read "US election 2024: A Simple Guide to the Presidential Vote" dated September 26, 2024 at <https://diginews360.com/us-election-2024-a-simple-guide-to-the-presidential-vote/>. www.DiGiNews360.com brings for its Readers a succinct, complete and interesting news.

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