

**THE GREAT DEBATERS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**  
**THE NEW YORK CITY URBAN DEBATE LEAGUE**

**"Be Great! Be a Great Debater!"**

**CELEBRATE DEBATE!!**

**JUNE 17TH, TUESDAY**

**6:00PM-8:30PM**

**[Click here to purchase tickets or  
donate!](#)**

**Debates!**

**Food!**

**Fun!**

**Games!**

**Raffles!**

**More!**

This week we announce our end of the year event to support our Great Debaters! Since Ancient Greece to today's study after study - scholastic debate is one of the most powerful academic programs to teach communication, critical thinking, college, career and civic skills. Unfortunately in 2011 less than 1% of Title I schools and students in NYC participated in debate. Our mission is to change this. This year, over 1000 New York City youth participated in debate tournaments with your support! And this summer over 250 NYC youth have already signed up for summer debate camp. Normally, debate camps cost thousands of dollars per student - we provide free summer debate camps for all NYC Debate schools and students. So we need your support so that every student and every school has access to the very best debate education opportunities. Debate is a gifted and talented program that all students should have the opportunity to participate in.

So please consider purchasing a ticket for our end of the year event! [Click here to purchase tickets!](#) If you cannot attend the event, please consider purchasing a ticket or making a donation to support our year round programs to provide free debate education opportunities to Title I schools. Finally, we thank all our supporters who made this year possible and sponsors for our end of the year event - [Fish & Richardson](#) and [Full Circle!](#) Thank you everyone for supporting one of New York City's most award winning academic programs.

**[Click here](#) to purchase tickets to our Celebrate Debate! Food, Fun, Debates, Skee-Ball, Raffles and more!**

## BE GREAT! BE A GREAT DEBATER!

Sincerely,  
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Support Our City's Debate League!*

[Click here to learn more about supporting our Great Debaters and our city's debate league for all ages.](#)

## MIDDLE SCHOOL QUALITY INITIATIVE DEBATE CHAMPIONSHIPS TOURNAMENT JUNE 13TH!

### **DEBATE TOPIC**

Resolved: Kids should be allowed to participate on reality TV shows

### **THE MIDDLE SCHOOL QUALITY INITIATIVE CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS!**

The Middle School Quality Initiative (MSQI) is the New York City Department of Education's focused effort to expand the number of middle schools that prepare students for college and career success.

The MSQI Debate Championships will be held at Columbia University and will include several rounds of debate, a coaches debate, and final round of student debates! The top teams from each school are invited to compete. And a huge shout out to all the staff of the MSQI and all the schools, teachers, coaches and students for a historical debate season! The MSQI division has grown from the newest debate division to now the largest debate event!

### **Schedule for the Day**

8:30am - Breakfast

9:30am - Judge Orientation  
 10:00am - Rounds 1 and 2  
 11:30am - Lunch  
 12:30pm - Round 3  
 1:30pm - Coaches Debate Round!  
 2:30pm - Final Round and Awards  
 4:00pm - Departure

## NEW YORK CITY DEBATE NEWS!

Celebrating the academic achievements  
 of NYC youth every week.

### SCRIMMAGE AT KAPPA MIDDLE SCHOOL, JUNE 12TH!

KAPPA middle school is inviting any schools interested in attending an Exhibition Debate at their school on June 12th. Several other schools are hosting end of the year debates, school-wide championships, and exhibitions to end the debate season! Let us know if you need any medals, trophies or support, or would like to attend an exhibition debate!

### END OF THE DEBATE SEASON CELEBRATION, JUNE 17TH!

Please mark June 17th for our End of the Year Event! Last year we hosted the event at the Pranna Restaurant in Manhattan! This year thanks to our City Championships sponsor of Fish & Richardson, the event will be held in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. [Click here to purchase your tickets](#) to celebrate our Great Debaters and support our summer debate camps! And another huge shout out to Fish & Richardson for hosting our Great Debaters!

### HONORING LEGENDARY NYC DEBATE COACH RICHARD SODIKOW, JUNE 7TH.

The Bronx Science Speech & Debate Team is hosting a memorial for Richard B. Sodikow '55, the founder of the team and its director for thirty years, on Saturday, June 7, 2014 at the Bronx High School of Science (75 West 205th Street, Bronx, New York) at 1:00 PM. Please register on the link below. You may also express condolences on the link below which will be shared with the family and team. [Click here.](#)

## SUMMER DEBATE INSTITUTE REGISTRATION OPEN!

New York City Debate Camps provide rigorous summer academic debate education programs for all NYC youth throughout the summer.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!](#)

## REGISTRATION OPENS FOR NEW YORK CITY SUMMER DEBATE CAMPS 2014!

Registration Begins for the 2014 Summer of Debate!!!! [CLICK HERE FOR REGISTRATION!](#) The New York City Urban Debate League hosts debate camps throughout the summer in each of the boroughs for all ages. For more information on our summer debate camp programs, please visit our website by clicking [here](#) or [www.nycdebatecamp.org](http://www.nycdebatecamp.org). Dates and locations can also be found on the right.

### Why Debate Camp?

**Beginner Debaters!** Learn the fundamentals of debate, develop public speaking skills, try out your first debate tournament and more!

**Advanced Debaters!** Train on the upcoming 2014-2015 debate topics!! Learn from top college debaters and debate master teachers!

**Teachers, Coaches and Judges!** Learn everything about starting a debate team, all the debate formats, beginner and advanced debate coaching techniques, judging, team fundraising, team recruitment, best lesson plans and more!

**All Debaters!** Weeks of intense debate study by the top debate

## 2014 NEW YORK CITY SUMMER DEBATE CAMP DATES AND LOCATIONS!

Manhattan Debate Institute  
Bronx Debate Institute  
Queens Debate Institute  
Harlem Debate Institute  
Teachers Debate Institute  
Varsity Debate Institute

[Click here to Register!](#)

### **Arthur N. Rupe Foundation Public Debate Summer Camps**

Manhattan Debate Institute  
@ Hunter College, Silberman School of Social Work, 2180 Third Avenue at 119th Street, NY, NY 10035 (July 21st-August 1st, 9:00am-1:00pm)

Manhattan Debate Institute Advanced Lab for High School Students @ Hunter College (July 21st - August 1st, 9:00am-4:00pm) @ Hunter College, Silberman School of Social Work, 2180 Third Avenue at 119th Street, NY, NY 10035

Elementary School Debate Institute @ Hunter College (July 28th - August 1st, 9:00am-1:00pm) @ Hunter College, Silberman School of Social Work, 2180 Third Avenue at 119th Street, NY, NY 10035

Girls Debate Institute @ Hunter College (July 21st - August 1st, 9:00am-4:00pm) @ Hunter College, Silberman School of Social Work, 2180 Third Avenue at 119th Street, NY, NY 10035  
Queens Debate Institute @ Maspeth High School, 54-40 74th St, New York, NY 11378 (August 25th-29th, 9:00am-1:00pm)

### **West Harlem Development Corporation Summer Debate Institutes**

teachers and coaches! Coaches, classes, electives, debate supplies, breakfast, lunch, awards, scrimmages, law firm visits, mentors, tournaments and more!!

Harlem Debate Institute @ Columbia University (June 30th - July 3rd, 9:00am-1:00pm)

Teachers College Debate Institute for Teachers @ Teachers College, Columbia University (August 25th-29th, 9:00am-1:00pm)

**New Yankee Stadium Community Benefits Fund, Summer Debate Program**

Bronx Debate Institute @ PS/MS 15 School for Environmental Studies (August 11th-15th)

**[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER NOW!](#)**

**CELEBRATE DEBATE!**  
**FOOD, RAFFLES, SKEE-BALL, PRIZES, DEBATES AND MORE!**

**CELEBRATE DEBATE!**  
**The New York City Urban Debate League's End of the Year Event**

**[Click here to purchase tickets to support our Great Debaters!](#)**

**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!  
JUDGE AT OUR LAST  
TOURNAMENT OF THE YEAR  
AND JUDGE AND TEACH AT  
SUMMER DEBATE CAMP!**

**June 13th  
Middle School Quality Initiative Championships  
[Click here.](#)**

**July & August**

## Summer Debate Camp Volunteers Needed!

[Click here.](#)

# OUR NYC DEBATE LEAGUE PROGRAMS

NEW YORK CITY'S MOST RIGOROUS ACADEMIC PROGRAM - EVERY DAY, EVERY WEEKEND, EVERY SUMMER - YEAR ROUND.

## High School Debate League

### UPCOMING DATES!

June 15th - 20th  
National Speech and Debate Association's National Championships  
[Click here](#)

### OTHER HIGH SCHOOL DEBATE RESOURCES

High School Travel Team Tournament Calendar.  
[Click here.](#)

High School National Circuit Team  
[Click here.](#)

High School Policy Debate Resources.  
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High School Public Forum Debate Resources.  
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High School Lincoln Douglas Debate Resources.  
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## Middle School Debate League

### UPCOMING DATES!

June 13th  
Middle School Quality Initiative City Championships @ Teachers College, Columbia University

June 16th-20th  
Middle School National Championships  
[Click here](#)

### MIDDLE SCHOOL DEBATE LEAGUE RESOURCES

Middle School Tournament Calendar. [Click here.](#)

Middle School Policy Debate Resources.  
[Click here.](#)

Middle School Public Forum Debate Resources.  
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Middle School Parliamentary Debate Resources.  
[Click here.](#)

## Elementary School Debate League

### UPCOMING DATES!

July 21st - July 25th  
Elementary School Debate Camp, Hunter College

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DEBATE LEAGUE RESOURCES

Elementary School Tournament Calendar. [Click here.](#)


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