

THE GREAT DEBATERS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

THE NEW YORK CITY URBAN DEBATE LEAGUE

"Be Great! Be a Great Debater!"

MSQI DEBATE CHAMPIONSHIPS! THIS FRIDAY @ COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY!



This week we celebrate our last local tournament of this school year - the Middle School Quality Initiative's Debate (MSQI) Championships! In its first year the MSQI Debate Division has quickly become one of the largest debate divisions in the NYC Debate League. Hundreds of students and dozens of schools have participated in the first year in extra curricular debates and thousands of students develop debate skills in curricular debates. Thanks to the incredible MSQI Staff and Mr. Ben Honoroff, thousands of students are developing powerful academic skills in reading, writing, critical thinking, questioning, evidence based argumentation, public speaking, and numerous other academic skills. The Middle School Quality Initiative 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. MSQI serves as the city's implementation plan for putting the Carnegie Reading Next report recommendations into action. Since Ancient Greece, debate has been one of the most powerful programs to develop academic skills. "There is no better activity that will develop essential academic, professional, and life skills than dedicated involvement in speech and debate." - Yale University Professor Minh A. Luong. Finally, we thank Teachers College and Columbia University for hosting our last tournament of the year! Thank you for making everything possible!!!

BE GREAT! BE A GREAT DEBATER!

Sincerely,
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<p>CELEBRATE DEBATE! FOOD, RAFFLES, SKEE-BALL, PRIZES, DEBATES AND MORE!</p>	<p>CELEBRATE DEBATE! The New York City Urban Debate League's End of the Year Event</p> <p><u>Click here to purchase tickets to support our Great Debaters!</u></p>
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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

GOOD LUCK TO OUR DEBATERS COMPETING AT THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS!



The largest academic competition in the world is the [National Speech and Debate Association's National Championships Tournament](#) for Middle Schools and High Schools. This year's tournament will be held in Overland Park, Kansas. Thousands of students will participate between June 15th - June 20th.

Good Luck to Maspeth High School in the High Public Forum Debate division and good luck to Hunters Point in the Middle School Public Forum Debate division!!!! Both Maspeth High School and Hunters Point Middle School have won numerous local awards and championships this year and so the best of luck at the National Championships! Congratulations to the coaches and teams of Maspeth and Hunters Point. [Click here](#) to learn more about the National Championships.

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!



THANK YOU SESAME STREET!

Thank You Sesame Street for hosting us last week! This year we began the first Elementary School Debate League with monthly elementary school tournaments. We plan to host the Fall Elementary School Championships and Celebration at Sesame Street next school year! Sesame Street Workshop offers incredible educational opportunities for students, teachers, and families across the world. [Click here to learn more about Sesame Street Workshop!](#)

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. 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



Debate Team

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!](#)

Harlem Debate Institute

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

Bronx Debate Institute

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

Brooklyn Debate Institute

Frederick Douglas Academy VIII (July 7th-July 11th, 9:00am-2:00pm), 1400 Pennsylvania Ave, Brooklyn 11239

Queens Debate Institute

Maspeth High School, 54-40 74th St, New York, NY 11378 (August 25th-29th, 9:00am-1:00pm)

Teachers Debate Institute

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

Manhattan Debate Institutes

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-

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

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

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER NOW!](#)

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!
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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.
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High School National Circuit Team
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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.
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Middle School Public Forum Debate Resources.
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Middle School Parliamentary Debate Resources.
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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.](#)

Elementary School Debate Resources. [Click here.](#)

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