



2018-2019 New York City Urban Debate League MS Tournament #5 The Hamilton Grange School (Parli) & IS 281 Joseph B. Cavallaro (PF)

On behalf of the New York City Urban Debate League, The Hamilton Grange School and IS 281 Joseph B. Cavallaro, you are cordially invited to the 2018-2019 New York City Urban Debate League MS Tournament #5 on Saturday, February 9, for a day of exciting, fun and intense debate. We will offer three debate formats – parliamentary, public forum and congressional – with three rounds of debate in each parli and PF and two in Congress.

Judges' training will be available for all formats.

Questions, concerns and/or issues about the tournament can be directed to:

Tournament Director (Parli/Congress): Tyler Beattie – (262) 227-8199 / tyler@debate.nyc

Tournament Director (PF): Taylor Wofford – (214) 632-8480 / taylor@debate.nyc

Looking forward to seeing you all,

The New York City Urban Debate League

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Registration

Registration will take place on Tabroom. We are listed as the NYC Urban Debate League circuit. If you do not have an account with Tabroom, you can easily set up through tabroom.com

Permission Slips: One permission slip per year is legally required for each student. This permission slip protects and promotes our debaters – they enable us to track attendance and record accurate debate results which are necessary for National Speech & Debate Association points and qualification for competitive tournaments. We are requesting that coaches turn in all permission slips by **Wednesday, February 6, at 5:00 p.m.**

You can access the permission slip [here](#).

The NYCUDL will not accept any permission slips on the day of the tournament. Without a permission slip, a student cannot debate. No exceptions.

Judges

Each school must bring one judge for every two teams competing in policy and one judge for every three teams competing in public forum.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE FOR ALL ENTRIES IS 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 4.

Speaker points will be assigned on a scale of 25-30. Mavericks will receive averaged points.

We will provide awards for top speakers, top teams and sweepstakes points for top schools.

We will be using NSDA rules for evidence. These rules can be found on their website.

There will be an automatic loss for all of your teams if a judge from your school does not show up for their round.

We will have a coaches' meeting during round three.

Topics

Parliamentary:

This House would ban animal testing.

This House would implement open borders.

This House would close the Rikers Island Jail.

Public Forum:

Resolved: The United States should end its arms sales to Saudi Arabia.

Congressional:

Please download the docket [here](#).

Important Dates

To register on Tabroom: Monday, February 4, 5:00 p.m.

Check-in / Day of tournament registration: Saturday, February 9, 9:00 a.m.

Once registration closes at 9:00 a.m. Those that are late will forfeit the first round, but may debate rounds two and three and can observe and flow debates in round one.

WE MUST ENFORCE THIS RULE IN ORDER TO HAVE AN EFFICIENT, TIMELY AND WELL-MANAGED TOURNAMENT.

NYC UDL CODE OF CONDUCT

In all personal contact with students, judges, tournament officials, activities directors, school administrators, other coaches, the media, and the public, coaches and any other representatives of their institutions shall strive to set an example of the highest ethical and moral conduct. Coaches shall respect and support tournament officials, coaches, students, staff, parents and volunteers. Coaches will not incite or encourage disrespectful or unlawful behavior. Public criticism of students, coaches, tournament officials, or others is unethical. Any concerns that coaches have related to tournament administration should be directly addressed to said officials. Coaches shall be expected to uphold their school's/institution's Conduct policy regarding all matters related to conduct at tournaments and abide by all local, state and federal laws, Coaches shall exert their influence to enhance sportsmanship and fair-play by competitors and other coaches. By participating in the NYCUDL or in activities associated with the NYCUDL, everyone shall be deemed to have agreed to comport themselves in accordance with this Policy. If Coaches fail to follow these guidelines, the institution they represent will be notified and they may be prohibited from participated in league activities and events.

NYC UDL HARASSMENT / DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The New York City Urban Debate League is committed to providing its participants, judges, coaches, and staff the opportunity to pursue excellence in their endeavors. This opportunity can exist only when each member of our community is assured an atmosphere of mutual respect. The NYC UDL is committed to maintaining an environment that is free from all forms of harassment and discrimination. Accordingly, all forms of harassment and discrimination are prohibited whether committed by participants, judges, coaches, or observers. The NYCUDL is committed to the enforcement of this policy. Individuals who are found to have violated this policy will be subject to the full range of sanctions, up to and including removal from the tournament premises and prosecution by authorities.

Travel Directions

The Hamilton Grange School

Address: 500 W 138th St, New York, NY 10031

Trains: 1 train to 137 St. - City College, A/B/C trains to 135 St. Station

Buses: M11 bus to W. 135 St./Broadway, M4/M5 buses to Broadway/W. 135 St., M101 bus to Amsterdam Ave./W. 135 St., M100 bus to Amsterdam Ave./W. 136 St.

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Address: 8787 24th Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11214

Trains: D train to Bay Parkway Station or 25 Avenue

Buses: B64 bus to Bath Ave./24 Ave., B6/B82 buses to Cropsey Ave./24 Ave., X28 bus to Cropsey Ave./23 Ave.

Schedule

SATURDAY – February 9

8:00 a.m. - Registration opens, breakfast served

8:30 a.m. - Judge orientation

9:00 a.m. - Registration closes

9:30 a.m. – Round 1 (Flight B begins approximately 1 hour after Flight A in PF)

11:30 a.m. – Round 2 (Flight B begins approximately 1 hour after Flight A in PF)

1:30 p.m. – Round 3 (Flight B begins approximately 1 hour after Flight A in PF)

4:30 p.m. – Awards

5:00 p.m. – Dismissal

Lunch will be served on a rolling basis starting at approximately 11:30 a.m. We encourage you to grab lunch when you're free. We reserve the right to accelerate the tournament schedule if we're able.