

The 2018 Newark Invitational

Dates:

All events will be held from January 5th – 6th, 2018
LD Round Robin January 4th - 5th, 2018

Tournament Locations:

Lincoln Douglas & Public Forum Debate
Science Park High School
260 Norfolk Street
Newark, New Jersey 07103

Policy Debate ONLY
Rutgers University-Newark
360 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Newark, New Jersey 07102

Divisions offered:

Varsity Policy, Novice Policy, Varsity LD, Novice LD, Varsity Public Forum, Novice Public Forum

No entry limits

Registration Deadline:	December 22 nd , 2017 6pm
Changes Deadline:	December 22 nd , 2017 6pm
Drop Deadline:	December 22 nd , 2017 6pm
Fees Frozen:	December 22 nd , 2017 6pm
Enter all judges:	December 22 nd , 2017 6pm
Hotel Deadline	December 19 th , 2017 3pm

We are asking schools to finalize changes before Christmas break begins. We will have to do a great deal of planning during Winter break and the tournament will run much more smoothly if changes are made before winter break begins. Please reserve your hotel rooms as soon as possible at the Marriott Downtown Newark (If you do not have a bus or if your bus is simply dropping you off in Newark on Friday and picking you up on Saturday), or the Crowne Plaza (If you have a bus that will be with you throughout the trip).

TOC Bid in semi-finals for LD

Dear Colleagues:

The Newark Debate Academy would like to invite you and your debaters to the **2018 Newark Invitational**.

The Lincoln-Douglas and Public Forum divisions will be held at Science Park High School.

Rutgers University-Newark will host the Policy debate event. The event's main building will be at Hill Hall on the Rutgers-Newark campus.

The two locations are separated by a 15-minute walk or a 5-minute drive. The locations are close.

Registration: Please finalize your registration by 6 pm, December 22nd, 2017. To better prepare a wonderful tournament for you, we want to complete registration before Winter Break.

Registration information is on www.tabroom.com. The tournament is listed as the Newark Invitational. There is no limit on registration numbers; however, entries will be initially waitlisted because the tournament usually fills up quickly.

Food:

Dinner on Friday and lunch on Saturday are provided by the tournament. Breakfast and snacks are available for purchase. The cost of meals is contained in your registration fees. Snacks for purchase will also be available at both locations.

A wonderful Judge's lounge will also have great food available. Our Coaches' / Judges' lounge is only available to adult coaches and judges. Please inform student judges that the lounge is for adults only.

Costs:

School fee	\$25
Policy Team	\$80 per team (Novice and Varsity)
LD	\$60 per entry (Novice and Varsity)
PF	\$80 per team (Novice and Varsity)

Please make all checks or purchase orders payable to: FOCUS, Inc / Newark Debate Academy

Judging Requirements:

All schools need to bring quality, qualified judges to cover their team requirements, or purchase hired judges at \$200 per judge.

Policy Varsity

1 or 2 teams = 1 Judge

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Lincoln Douglas Varsity NOTE: The Varsity LD division is **single-flighted**.

3-4 debaters = 2 judges

1-2 debaters = 1 judge

Public Forum Novice and Varsity

1 – 3 Teams = 1 judge

4 – 6 Teams = 2 judges

Novice division judging in LD is provided for free. Since we are single-flighted, we defray the additional cost of the Varsity division judging by providing trained novice LD judges for free.

Topics

Policy will use the National Speech and Debate national topic. LD will use the National Speech and Debate January – February topic. PF will use the National Speech and Debate January topic.

If there are questions, you can reach Carlos Astacio (Newark Debate Academy), Jonathan Alston (LD/PF-Science Park), or Christopher Kozak (Policy-Rutgers) at thenewarkinvitational@gmail.com.

Housing:

TOURNAMENT HOTELS:

We have confirmed two tournament hotels this year:

The Courtyard Marriott Downtown (Recommended if you do not have a school bus)

The Courtyard Marriott Downtown Newark, **858 Broad Street, Newark, NJ 07102**. The phone number is **973-848-0070**. This hotel is a 6-minute drive from Science Park and a 6-minute drive to Rutgers. Rutgers is an easy 10-minute walk to this location. This hotel is less than five years old and is attached to the Prudential Center. It is walking distance to the newer restaurants in the downtown Newark area. Parking in their lot is \$21 per night, but parking is also available on the street or at Science Park. **A shuttle will be going from both Science Park and Rutgers to this hotel on Friday night.** It is also a quick Uber ride from the tournament sites and walking distance from Newark's Penn Station. This is the best and the most convenient location if you **do not** have a large school bus or coach bus.

The rates at the Courtyard Downtown are \$99 for a single King room (with a pullout bed) and \$109 for a double. You must book under **the Newark Invitational Debates** room block before December 19 to receive this rate. The block in this location will fill up quickly.

Note: Please email us at thenewarkinvitational@gmail.com if the block is full. If done early, we will be able to expand the block.

Note 2: There is only expensive bus parking at this location. If you have a large bus, we suggest that you make arrangements at our second hotel, the Crowne Plaza.

The Crowne Plaza at the Newark Airport

We have confirmed a block rate of \$99 a night for double bed rooms at the Crowne Plaza Hotel near Newark Airport. It is a 20 minute drive from campus.

The address of the Crowne Plaza is 901 Spring Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07201.

The phone number for reservations is 1-908-527-1600

Use the code RUT to have access to the block rates or ask for Rutgers University-Newark Debate Tournament.

Wifi and Parking are included with your reservation at the Crowne Plaza. It is also worth noting that the hotel includes a 24-hour hotel coffee shop on site.

The cutoff date for the block is December 19th. If the block fills please contact Christopher.kozak@rutgers.edu ASAP.

Shuttle Bus:

The shuttles will be traveling to and from both hotels on Friday evening and Saturday morning. However, space is limited, and priority will be given to those that need the shuttle from either tournament site to the downtown Marriot over the Crowne Plaza. We urge that if you do not have a bus, to please make arrangements at the Downtown Marriot. If you are in need of a shuttle, please indicate it in the appropriate tab for registration. **If you do not indicate it in your registration, we will assume that you are not in need, please do not approach us the day of the tournament asking about the shuttle buses.**

Debate Schedule

Note: There is a new debate schedule for all events. Round 1 begins at 4pm on Friday for LD & PF and begins at 3pm for Policy.

Schedule of events for Varsity and Novice Policy ONLY

Rutgers University-Newark
Friday – January 5th, 2018
Registration – 2:00 pm -2:45 pm
3pm-5pm Round 1
5pm-7pm Round 2
7pm-9pm Round 3

Saturday- January 6th, 2018
8:00 -10:00 Round 4
10:00- 12:00 Round 5
Elimination Rounds and Awards to follow

Schedule of events for Varsity L-D

Science Park High School
Friday- January 5, 2018
Registration – 2 pm - 3:15 pm
Opening Remarks: 3:45
4pm-5pm Round 1
5:15pm to 6:15 pm Round 2
6:45pm to 7:45 pm Round 3
8:15 pm to 9:15 pm Round 4

Saturday- January 6, 2018
8:00 am to 9:00 am Round 5
Elimination Rounds and Awards to follow.
All winning records up to 32 teams will qualify for elimination rounds in Varsity LD.

Schedule of events for Novice LD and Public Forum (Novice and Varisty)

Science Park High School
Friday- January 5, 2018
Registration - 2pm - 3:15pm
Opening Remarks: 3:45
4pm to 5:30pm Round 1
5:45pm to 7:45pm Round 2
8:00pm to 9:30pm Round 3

Saturday – January 6th, 2018
8am to 10am Round 4
10:15am to 12:15pm Round 5
Elimination Round and Awards