



The New York City Invitational

at the Bronx High School of Science

Forty-Fourth Edition • BIG BRONX XLIV

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The Bronx High School of Science Speech & Debate Team cordially invites you and your team to join us and compete at the forty-fourth annual installment of the **New York City Invitational**. We are delighted to continue our tradition of offering a challenging and competitive tournament early in the year. We are proud of our competition's long history of excellence and look forward to hosting our best tournament yet.

This year's event will take place on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, October 17, 18, and 19, 2014. The New York City Invitational features varsity competition in Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Public Forum Debate, Team Debate, Legislative Debate, Dramatic Interpretation of Literature, Duo Interpretation of Literature, Extemporaneous Speaking, Humorous Interpretation of Literature, Original Oratory, and Prose & Poetry. (The Tournament Director is known for his unusual level of attention to tradition, and so the New York City Invitational is a tournament with many traditions; what other tournaments call "Policy Debate," "Congressional Debate," and "Oral Interpretation," we call Team Debate, Legislative Debate, and Prose & Poetry, respectively.)

Bronx Science is a qualifying competition for the National High School Tournament of Champions (**TOC**) in all four debate events. **Octafinalists** in Lincoln-Douglas Debate, **octafinalists** in Public Forum Debate, **quarterfinalists** in Team Debate, and the **finalists** in Legislative Debate will receive bids to the TOC. Additionally, all **finalists** in Dramatic Interpretation, Duo Interpretation, Extemporaneous Speaking, Humorous Interpretation, Original Oratory, and Prose & Poetry will receive invitations to compete at the TOC.

Bronx Science is a **qualifying tournament** for the National Individual Events Tournament of Champions (**NIETOC**). We anticipate that the New York City Invitational will be a maximum-points qualifier to the National Debate Coaches

Association (**NDCA**) National Championships in both Lincoln-Douglas Debate and Public Forum Debate.

We encourage you to register early, as we anticipate the tournament will fill very quickly, as it has in the past. With low registration costs, meals provided, top-level competition, phenomenal judging, beautiful awards, and free housing available for students, the New York City Invitational is one of the best values on the calendar.

[Please be sure to join our event on Facebook.](#) Of course, signing up on Facebook is not the same as actually registering for the tournament. Please be sure to register early on Tabroom.com; the tournament historically has filled rapidly. Registration opens on Tabroom.com at 12:01 AM Eastern on Friday, August 1, 2014. (It'll be the last few hours of Thursday when registration opens for those west of the Eastern Time Zone!) We hope to see you and your team at Bronx Science this October.

Yours,

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