



**THE BRONX HIGH SCHOOL OF SCIENCE  
SPEECH & DEBATE TEAM  
75 BRONX SCIENCE BOULEVARD, BRONX, NY 10468**

Dear Coaches,

On behalf of The Bronx High School of Science, we are honored and excited that you and your students are attending the Big Apple Round Robin as part of the New York City Invitational. We have outstanding competition from all over the country this year in our Lincoln-Douglas division.

**Location, Date & Time**

**Date:** Thursday, October 12, 2017

**Time:** 9:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., dinner following (details below)

**Location:** WeWork Financial District (85 Broad Street New York, NY 10004)

WeWork is a co-sharing office work space (see: <https://www.wework.com/locations/new-york-city/fidi>). Please build in some cushion for your arrival, check-in at the lobby and building pass. We would like all participants to arrive in the actual conference room no later than 9:30 a.m. There will be a light breakfast followed by some brief announcements.

All rounds will be single flighted. We expect to start Round 1 by 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be served after Round 3. We expect the competitive portion of the round robin to conclude by 6:00pm with a banquet (see details below).

**Transportation**

WeWork Financial District is easily accessible by public transportation:

- 2,3 train to Wall Street
- 4,5 train to Bowling Green
- R to Whitehall Street

Exiting at any of those subway stops is only a five minute walk away from our WeWork location.

**Registration & Payment**

Costs for participating in the Big Apple Round Robin are as follows:

- \$150 per Lincoln-Douglas Entry
- We ask each entry to provide one judge

The Big Apple Round Robin has electronic registration on tabroom. You have been pre-entered. We just need your judge information. As with the New York City Invitational, we will be using e-ballots throughout the Big Apple Round Robin. Once you register, your invoice will be automatically generated.

Here is the link to the Big Apple Round Robin on Tabroom.com:

<http://bigapple.tabroom.com>

We encourage everyone to pay in advance via credit card:

[goo.gl/ZRtuRW](http://goo.gl/ZRtuRW)

### **Food & Beverage**

All food will be complementary, with breakfast and lunch being served at WeWork. At the conclusion of the Round Robin, we invite all competitors and their coach to join us for an exciting dinner at La Mela, 167 Mulberry Street, located a short distance away from WeWork and in the heart of Little Italy, a truly New York experience.

### **Competitors and Rules**

Lincoln-Douglas debaters will debate the September/October 2017 National Speech & Debate Association (formerly the NFL) LD topic. Resolved: In the United States, national service ought to be compulsory.

Each student will be allowed four minutes of prep time.

The format will be a true round robin, with participants competing once against each other competitor. The top competitors will be determined by record and by points. Awards will be given to all participants. Unless otherwise stated, NSDA rules apply to the tournament.

The entries are:

American Heritage: Abhilash Datti

Hunter: Marie-Rose Sheinerman

Lake Highland Prep: Ari Azbel

Lexington: Reed Weiler

Newark Science: Brianna Aaron

Stuyvesant: Kevin Li

### **Schedule**

Please arrive promptly by 9:30 a.m. as the first round will begin at 10:00 a.m. Following the tournament, dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. at La Mela Restaurant, 167 Mulberry Street.

Should you have any questions, please contact us at [speechanddebate@bxscience.edu](mailto:speechanddebate@bxscience.edu).

Sincerely,

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