

NYCUDL CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS GUIDE



City Champions

The debater in each division with the best performance, by points, throughout the season will become the city champion.

[You can check how many points your debaters have here - NYCUDL Points 20-21](#)

How will points be awarded?

Points will be awarded to each debater based on the tournaments they attend and their success in the rounds at those tournaments.

- **One** point will be awarded for **attending** the tournament.
- A **win** or a **bye** will count as **six** points.
- A **loss** will count as **three** points.
- Attending the beginners' **workshop** for a tournament will result in **five** points awarded.

For example, Paul Glenn attended two tournaments and went 2-1 and 3-0.

Paul Glenn will have 35 points: 2(attendance) + 5x6 (wins) + 1x3 (losses)

What debate rounds qualify for points?

- Debaters' **best three rounds** at any NYCUDL tournament will be used for point awards. That means if they win three and lose one, they get eighteen points (three wins times six points per win).
- The **city championship tournament** will count for **twice** the usual **points** award.

Debaters need twenty points in order to qualify to compete at the city championship tournament.

Debaters' schools must also be league members in good standing.

How will City Championships work?

The city championship tournament will occur on **March 13th**. It will use the same [schedule](#) as a regular tournament.

Debaters qualify to compete at the tournament by having twenty or more points in any division in which they have regularly debated and/or are qualified for based on their experience level. That means that if a JV (second-year) debater debated most of the year in the open division but wants to compete in city championships in JV, that is okay. They can also compete in the open division. They are not allowed to compete in Novice. We will be auditing student qualifications for the division they're registered in.

All schools are guaranteed a **minimum of two entries**, regardless of qualifications. Any entry with an unqualified debater counts toward this two-entry minimum. Schools are allowed a **maximum of ten entries (across all divisions)** for the city championship tournament.

The top twelve debaters in Open High School Public Forum debate qualify for the [Coolidge Cup](#).

The top two debaters in High School Policy debate from Title 1 schools can compete at the NAUDL championship with the next most successful debater (by points) from their team.

Topics

MS Parli:

This House believes standardized testing does more harm than good.

This House supports human cloning.

This House would make COVID-19 vaccinations mandatory with no personal or religious exemptions for all citizens and visitors to the USA.

MS PF

Resolved: On Balance, the benefits of United States sanctions against China outweigh the harms

HS PF

Choice between:

- Resolved: On Balance, the benefits of United States sanctions against China outweigh the harms
- Resolved: On balance, the benefits of urbanization in West Africa outweigh the harms.

HS Policy

Resolved: The United States federal government should enact substantial criminal justice reform in the United States in one or more of the following: forensic science, policing, sentencing.