

October 2023 Newsletter

Miami Dade Urban Debate League

MIAMI DADE URBAN
DEBATE LEAGUE

OCTOBER | 9 | 2023

PROJECT NAME MDUDL PRACTICE

DATE 10|9|2023 TIME 5:30 PM

PROJECT DESCRIPTION MIAMI DADE'S LEAGUE
WIDE PRACTICE

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TODAY!

REGISTRATION LINK

Please join us for our second league-wide practice on October, 9th!



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Tournament Recap



On September 16th, Miami Dade College hosted the first tournament of the season for the Miami Dade Urban Debate League, showcasing an impressive array of young talent. The Middle School Speakers category saw Issabella Millan taking first place, followed by Abigail Barban and Izabella Lizarraga. In the Middle School Teams, Redland Middle dominated with IMYA (Yulian Alvarez & Issabella Millan) taking first place, LLSL (Sophia Lopez & Leah Lopez) coming in second place, and KDSV (Keren Dominguez & Sofia Villalobos) securing third.

In the High School Novice Speakers division, IPrep Academy North's Alexander Drew was awarded first place, followed by Sofia Herrera from Miami Senior High and Emma Golitz from Cypress Bay High School. For their respective High School Novice Teams, IPrep Academy ADYB (Alexander Drew & Yeliel Brooks) won first place, followed by Cypress Bay JRNC (Jacob Reisman & Ninoslava Cardenas), and Miami Senior EQSH (Sofia Herrera & Emily Quintero).

Lastly, in the competitive High School Varsity Speakers category, Rocio Pelaez from Miami Senior took home top honors while Alessandro DePalma claimed second place and Mayara Castaneda finished third. Among the High School Varsity Teams, Miami Senior reigned supreme with AD (Alessandro DePalma & Mayara Castaneda) winning first place, RPIM (Rocio Pelaez) placing second, and MPMM (Michael Porras & Madelyn Mendoza) securing third. Redland Middle School was awarded the Middle School Sweepstakes while Miami Senior triumphed in the High School Sweepstakes. Congratulations to all winners and participants!



Tournament

Join us for our second
tournament of the season!

When?

October 14,
2023

Where?

Miami Dade
College,
Kendall
Campus.



Please join us for
good debating and
a good time!



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Practice Recap

On September 11th, Miami Dade Urban Debate League held a league-wide debate practice, bringing together passionate students from across the region. In this engaging session, participants had the opportunity to discuss their cases in depth, honing their argumentation skills while receiving valuable feedback. The practice also focused on refining cross-examination techniques, equipping students with effective strategies to tackle challenging questions and think critically under pressure.



Interviews



"I don't need to be perfect in order to be successful"

Meet Brianna Sainte, the Miami Dade Urban Debate League's Vice President of the Board of Directors and Judicial Law Clerk at U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida. Check out here interview below!

Q: what role do you see the organization playing in shaping the next generation of leaders and changemakers?

A; So the role I see and we do our thing is I think that the role that they play is one that they've already been playing, but on a larger magnitude, in the sense that it's giving access to students to participate in this wonderful activity. That as you said, gives them certain skills, not just beyond debating, but just in life. These are skills that are transferable across all career fields, no matter what you do. These are skills that you know, sometimes you have to sell yourself when you're in looking for a job when you're looking for, you know, clients, no matter what kind of things to do.

Q: were there any times as a student you may have struggled with defining your self-worth outside of external things, like academics?

A; I would very much encourage students to stop thinking that success means perfection. Right? Because it successfully is perfection. Anything short of perfection is an automatic failure, right? If you're awaiting your success to perfection, the moment you make a mistake, that means in your eyes, that you're failing and that's just not the case. I also employ students to find other things about themselves that are valuable in terms of what our own record says, Think about how your friends and your families view you, your friends, and your family.



Warm-ups

HEADLINES

Find a random news article, Skim the article, and then summarize it out loud to someone in 1 minute without any preparation.

A- DRILL

Say the word 'a' between every word that you are reading in one-minute intervals.

JUSTIFY IT

One person says that a certain statement is true and the next person has to respond by saying why this statement is true.

ENDURANCE

Open up an extremely large file (think 2AC blocks or impact defense file), and read straight down for ten minutes.



Tournaments

Fall 2023 Tournament Schedule

**Tournament 1:
Miami - Dade College North**

September 16, 2023

**Tournament 2:
Miami - Dade College Kendall**

October 14, 2023

**Tournament 3:
TBA**

November 4, 2023

**Tournament 4:
TBA**

December 16, 2023



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\$100-\$10,000

"Friend of MDUDL"

- Provides support for up to 40 debaters

Donors receive:

- A feature on various MDUDL social media platforms, including the **website**, **Instagram**, and **newsletter**

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- Covers the costs of a full-day tournament for 200 debaters

Donors receive:

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- Features on various MDUDL social media platforms, including the **website**, **Instagram**, and **newsletter**

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- Features across various MDUDL social media platforms, including the **website**, **Instagram**, and **newsletter**

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- Supports the programming of local debate coaches

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ABOVE \$50,000

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