Nashville Debate City Championship Results
March 24, 2012

Nashville Debate City Championship Tournament
On Saturday, March 24, over 100 students, coaches, volunteers & supporters gathered at Stratford STEM Magnet to participate in the *2012 Nashville Debate City Championship Tournament.*

The City Championship had 66 students from nine Metro Nashville Public High Schools competing in two divisions of policy debate.

The "Qualifier Division" had nineteen teams (38 debaters) from eight schools competing to be one of two "City Champions" to represent Nashville Debate at the 2012 Urban Debate National Championship in Washington, DC. A second division of competition was held for students not vying for the spots at UDL Nationals. An additional 14 teams (28 debaters) from eight schools competed.

Participating schools included Antioch High School, East Literature Magnet, Hillwood High School, LEAD Academy, Martin Luther King Academic Magnet, McGavock High School, Nashville School of the Arts, Stratford STEM Magnet and Nashville Debate's newest participating school: Whites Creek High School.

Winners of the Qualifier Division will represent Nashville Debate at the Urban Debate National Championship in April.

First Place: Hillwood High School: Yasmin Telwar & Abel Yosef
Coaches: Amanda Hyatt & Beverly Jones

Second Place: Martin Luther King Academic Magnet: Samuel Rafter & Camron Shirkhodaie)
Coach: Christi Williams

Both teams had a three win & one loss record and while all four students have consistently placed at the top of Nashville Debate competitions this year in both team and speaker awards, the team from MLK is new to Nashville Debate this year. Teams from LEAD Academy (2 teams) and Antioch High School (one team) rounded out the top five.

The first place Qualifier Division team from Hillwood High School also placed at last year's City Championship, coming in as the second place team in the competitor division with both receiving speaker awards. (First Place Speaker – Yasmin Telwar and 11th Place Speaker – Abel Yosef.)

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National Association for Urban Debate Leagues
2012 Urban Debate National Championship
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The top-ranked urban debate teams will come together to compete for the coveted Urban Debate National Championship title. Eligible leagues send their top-ranked teams and coaches to compete in the only national tournament exclusively for Urban Debate Leagues.

More than 150 debaters and coaches are expected to attend this year's tournament, held on the campus of Georgetown University. Debate rounds begin at 8:00am on Saturday morning and conclude with the final round starting at 3pm on Sunday. The final awards presentation begins immediately following the tournament.

For more information about Urban Debate Leagues and the 2012 Urban Debate National Championship, please visit the NAUDL home page at www.urbandebate.org.

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