

BAY AREA URBAN DEBATE

The Bay Area Urban Debate League (BAUDL) is one of 24 urban debate leagues at work in some of the largest cities in the US, including New York City, Los Angeles, Atlanta, and many more. The BAUDL is dedicated to expanding opportunities for youth in the San Francisco Bay Area to participate in rigorous, exciting competition and to become articulate and informed leaders in their schools and communities.

BAUDL currently partners with San Francisco and Oakland school districts to bring this amazing activity to the young people of the Bay. With the help of dozens of volunteers and sponsors, the league supports students of any background and at all levels of academic achievement become trained and powerful advocates and skilled critical thinkers, ready to graduate from high school and take on the world.

"My experience in the UDL sharpened my reading, writing, speaking, and thinking skills, and improved my grades and standardized test scores. I entered college with more self-confidence than many of my peers."

– **Tracy Carson**, UDL alumna and Marshall Scholar at Oxford University



The BAUDL Summer Debate Institute will be held at Dewey Academy in downtown Oakland, at 1111 2nd Ave, 94606.

The school is four blocks east of the **Lake Merritt BART**.

The location is also served by many major Oakland bus lines, including the **1, 1R, 11, 13, 14, 18, 40, 62, 801, and 840**.

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BAUDL
Second Annual
Summer Debate Institute
Aug 10-14, 2009

Sponsored by the
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DEBATE GETS YOU INTO COLLEGE AND BEYOND

No matter if business, law, community work, even music or sports is your path, you will need to be able to speak your mind clearly and powerfully so that all people can understand. Debate is a competitive team sport that offers the ultimate training for any career that involves making an argument or doing research (i.e., almost every career). Thousands of students across America have earned scholarships to college because of their participation in debate. These are just a few of the careers that debate will prepare you to take on:

- Law: Policy Analyst, Lawyer, Politician
- Advocacy: Community Organizer, Educator, Non-Profit Leader
- Words: Journalist, Author, Poet, MC
- Business: Entrepreneur, Manager, Analyst

DEBATE IS FUN

Ask the thousands of young people who debate why they're in this activity, and most will tell you that they can't get enough of it. The fact is that speaking your mind in a competitive forum where adults *have to listen to what you say* is an amazing feeling. The trophies you win, the friends you gain, the places you travel to, all of these make debate the opportunity of a lifetime, both for your education and your enjoyment.



JOIN US AT THE SUMMER INSTITUTE

If you are even thinking about debating for your school in the fall, you should definitely come to the summer institute. We have gathered some of the top debaters - and teachers - in the nation to help you get a taste of what debate is all about.

The training will cover debate theory, research techniques, and topic-specific instruction. You will also hear talks from nationally recognized experts and participate in small, individualized lab groups led by some of the most competitive debaters in the country. And most importantly, you will learn to give your point of view on all the hot topics of the day, from hip hop to the presidency.

Breakfast and lunch, as well as bus passes to and from the institute, will be provided. There will also be prizes given out each day. So fill out the form to the right, return it to the BAUDL at **1438 10th St, Oakland, CA 94607**, and join us at the second annual Bay Area Urban Debate League Summer Institute!

Dates: Monday, August 10 to Friday, August 14

Times: 9AM to 3PM each day

Place: Dewey Academy
1111 2nd Ave
Oakland, CA 94606
(map on back)

REGISTRATION FORM

I, _____ (please print name), will attend the BAUDL Summer Debate Institute at Dewey Academy, from 9:00am to 3:00pm, Monday, August 10 through Friday, August 14, 2009.

I am planning to show up on time and prepared each day. I agree to conduct myself with honor and respect throughout the institute, and to make the most of this opportunity to learn new skills and grow as a person.

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____, 2009

Please **CLEARLY** print the following information:

Address:

Street

Apt #

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone(s): _____

E-mail address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Emergency Contact Number: _____

School you attend: _____

Grade starting in fall (circle 1): 9 / 10 / 11 / 12

Please mail this form to BAUDL
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