

Strictly Speaking

Ridge High School
Forensic Team
Newsletter

2002-2017 NJSDL STATE CHAMPIONS

January 22, 2018

CFL #4 - MILLBURN 1ST PLACE TEAM SWEEPSTAKES!

What a phenomenal performance at the CFL #4 at Millburn! Ridge won first place with 112.5 sweepstakes points.

That was more than all the other teams combined from 2nd through 6th!

At this critical point in the season, it's fantastic to see Ridge truly rise to the level where the points really do matter.

We will begin making some very strategic choices about who competes at CFL 5 and 6.

Again, CFL 6 will feature the new "Wild Card!" Whoever takes first place at the

March tournament will receive an automatic spot at the NCFL championships!

The next five will go to the best cumulative scoring students over the six tournaments (top four placements count). So, yes, a brand

new speaker, or a new partnership,

or someone

with a new

event could

still qualify

for the NCFL

Grand Nationals

in Washington DC!

So exciting!!!



Albert Wen & Albert Wu, CHAMPIONS - Varsity Public Forum Debate
Aman Singh, CHAMPION - JV Lincoln Douglas
David Ren & Thomas Ren, CHAMPIONS - JV Public Forum
John Tondora, CHAMPION - Varsity Dramatic Performance
Julien Wadhwa, CHAMPION - Varsity Original Oratory
Nihal Kurki, CHAMPION - Varsity Declamation
Omar Bekdash, CHAMPION - Varsity Extemporaneous Speaking
Tanvi Namjoshi, CHAMPION - Varsity Lincoln Douglas Debate
Camille Furst & Siddarth Sasane, 2nd Place - Varsity Duo Interpretation
Gargi Koul, 2nd Place - JV Lincoln Douglas
James Gao, 2nd Place - Varsity Extemporaneous Speaking
Jaya Patel, 2nd Place - JV Oral Interpretation
Jennifer Huang, 2nd Place - Varsity Lincoln Douglas Debate
Julie Wang & Nurah Kutty, 2nd Place - JV Public Forum
Kyle Watkins, 2nd Place - Varsity Dramatic Performance
Raheel Abubakar, 2nd Place - Varsity Declamation
Sanil Torani, 2nd Place - Varsity Congress
Aditi Sharma, 3rd Place - Varsity Declamation
Kishan Gandham, 3rd Place - Varsity Congress
Max Su, 3rd Place - Varsity Original Oratory
Arnav Gupta, 4th Place - Varsity Congress
Charlize Chen, 4th Place - Varsity Original Oratory
Divya Krishnan & Juliet Nolt, 4th Place - Varsity Duo Interpretation
Laasya Gaddipati, 4th Place - JV Oral Interpretation
Rayhan Murad, 4th Place - Varsity Extemporaneous Speaking
Sonali Pai, 4th Place - Varsity Oral Interpretation
Benny Sun & Sanjana Sharma, 4th Place - JV Public Forum
Jerry Yang, Semifinalist - Varsity Lincoln Douglas Debate
Brandon Lu & Aadhavaarasan Raviarasan, Semifinalist - Varsity Public Forum
Allen Wang, 5th Place - Varsity Dramatic Performance
Anvitha Prasad, 5th Place - Varsity Original Oratory
Neha Razak 5th Place - Varsity Oral Interpretation
Prapti Roy 5th Place - JV Oral Interpretation
Rohan Jinturkar 5th Place - Varsity Extemporaneous Speaking
Ashita Dixit 6th Place - Varsity Dramatic Performance
Dhristi Raval 6th Place - JV Oral Interpretation
Marko Cukar, Quarterfinalist - Varsity Lincoln Douglas Debate
Jawad Mamun & Kruthik Ravishankar, Quarterfinalist - Varsity Public Forum



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RIDGE INVITATIONAL UPDATE

We currently have 45 confirmed teams with 650 entries! We will have more specific details by the end of Wednesday. On Wednesday, we will be spending a majority of the night on tournament preparations. We will start Wednesday's practice with a quick meeting where the night's activities and committees will be shared. We will be using both Ridge and Cedar Hill for this tournament!

UPENN/HARVARD

We have not had anyone else removed from the waitlists; however, I've been assured more will come. This doesn't help us when reserving rooms, hiring judges, etc. In addition, we have changed our hotel at the University of Pennsylvania tournament. We are now staying at the Renaissance Philadelphia Airport. This means we will be keeping a bus with us to transport us to/from the tournament rather than taking the subway in Philadelphia. Last call, if anyone wants to switch to Harvard (particularly in speech), please let me know by Wednesday.

YEARBOOK TEAM PHOTO

Our team photo for the yearbook will be taken after school on this upcoming Wednesday, January 24th between 2:30 and 3:15 in Lecture Hall A or B. Please be prompt so you don't miss the picture!



PENNSBURY HOTEL

Our hotel will be
SpringHill Suites - Langhorne
200 N Bucks Town Drive
Langhorne, PA 19047
We will be there for one night; the tournament will end late on Saturday, February 3rd.

NSDA DISTRICT CONGRESS

The NSDA qualifying tournament will be on February 24th at Montville High School. This is a very important tournament for us as the winners will attend NSDA in Fort Lauderdale this year. The speech/debate district tournament will take place on March 23rd and 24th at Delbarton.

Unfortunately, this year, NSDA does conflict with Ridge graduation. If you are a senior who plans on competing at any of the NSDA district tournaments, your parents [must sign this form before we enter you in the tournament.](#)