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New York City Campaign Finance Board



General Election Debate Mayor

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The Graduate Center, CUNY

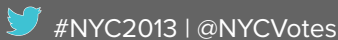
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The **New York City Campaign Finance Board** is a nonpartisan, independent city agency that enhances the role of New York City residents in elections. The CFB's mission is to increase voter participation and awareness, provide campaign finance information to the public, enable more citizens to run for office, strengthen the role of small contributors, and reduce the potential for actual or perceived corruption.

The CFB is charged with administering the mandatory **Debate Program**, in concert with various civic and media partners who sponsor the debates. It is a cornerstone of the CFB's voter education efforts and provides New Yorkers with an opportunity to compare candidates side by side as they discuss the important issues facing the city. The debates help ensure New Yorkers are well-informed as they head to the polls to cast their vote.

Candidates for citywide office who participate in the Campaign Finance Program and meet certain debate criteria must participate in debates prior to an election in which he or she is on the ballot. Candidates who opt out of the Campaign Finance Program may also be invited to join the debates at the discretion of the CFB and sponsoring organizations, provided the candidates meet the same criteria.



The **MAYOR** is the chief executive officer of the City of New York, responsible for the effectiveness and integrity of city government operations. Some of the many duties of the mayor include appointing and removing agency heads and commissioners for mayoral agencies, appointing members to many public authorities, commissions, and boards, and proposing a budget for New York City. In addition, the mayor has the power to veto the City Council's legislation and land-use decisions. The mayor earns an annual salary of \$225,000.

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Candidates



Bill de Blasio **Democratic, Working Families**

NYC Public Advocate Bill de Blasio has spent his life fighting to ensure every New Yorker gets a fair shot.

He is the only candidate proposing a tax on the wealthy to provide universal full-day pre-K for all NYC children and after-school programs for all middle school students. As mayor, Bill will fight for strong and safe neighborhoods in which New Yorkers from all five boroughs can start businesses, raise their families, and make our communities ever more vibrant.

Together with his wife, Chirlane, Bill is the proud parent of Chiara, a college sophomore, and Dante, a high school junior.

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Joseph Lhota **Republican, Conservative, Students First, Taxes 2 High**

Born in the Bronx, Joe Lhota possesses the unique experience necessary to be mayor. He currently resides with his family in Brooklyn. The first in his family to attend college, Joe graduated from Georgetown University and Harvard Business School.

After 14 years in the private sector, Joe joined the Giuliani Administration as Budget Director and then Deputy Mayor for Operations. In 2011, Governor Cuomo named Joe Chairman of the MTA, where he was praised for getting the transit system back up and running so quickly after Sandy—a credit he gives to the hardworking men and women of the MTA.

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Moderator

Maurice DuBois is a veteran New York City anchorman who has hosted a plethora of breaking news and special events in the city with a steady hand. Recently, he obtained the first interview with Mayor Bloomberg after Hurricane Sandy. DuBois pressed the Mayor about decisions made in the storm and what was learned from them. Maurice is an Emmy award winner and recipient of the Trailblazer Award from the NYC chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ).

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CBS 2 News The CBS broadcast stations have more than 60 years each of experience covering news and public affairs in the city, including debates. WCBS-TV has a long history of sponsoring both local and national debates, extraordinary for a local television station. A recent sampling includes a 2005 Democratic Primary debate for New York City Mayor, plus Senate Debates in New York and New Jersey and the station even hosted a Presidential Primary debate in 2004.



1010 WINS is experienced in CFB debate participation, carrying the most recent primary and general election Mayoral debates in 2009. 1010 WINS is the home of the weekly addresses of New York City's Mayor and the President of the United States.



WCBS Newsradio 880 has the largest local radio news staff in the country. Political coverage is anchored by debate panelist and 35 year veteran City Hall Reporter Rich Lamb, stationed at City Hall.



El Diario/La Prensa is the voice of the Hispanic community in New York City and beyond. El Diario/La Prensa is the nation's longest publishing Spanish-language daily and now a multiplatform operation. With 223,877 daily readers in NYC and a 100-year-old legacy, El Diario/La Prensa is the brand that generations of Latinos turn to and trust for information. In New York City, there are 2.3 million Hispanics. And this year, with El Diario/La Prensa's 100th anniversary and the key partnerships involved, there will be increased visibility of our paper.



Common Cause/New York is the statewide New York chapter of Common Cause. We are dedicated to restoring the core values of American democracy, reinventing an open, honest, and accountable government that empowers ordinary people to make their voices heard. We work to: strengthen public participation and faith in our institutions of government; ensure that government and the political process serve the public interest, rather than special interests; curb the excessive influence of money on government policy and elections; promote fair and honest elections and high ethical standards for government officials.

Debate Scorecard

Use this handy scorecard to rank each candidate's debate performance and to help you evaluate each candidate before you head to the polls!

[on a scale of 1 (worst) to 5 (best)]

	Bill de Blasio	Joseph Lhota
Directly answers the question		
Makes arguments clearly		
Defends claims with evidence		
Connects emotionally		
Displays confidence		
Overall impression		
TOTAL		



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2013 Debate Program Schedule

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MAYOR

Tuesday, October 22, 7PM

TV: CBS 2 News (English), WLNY-TV 10/55 (Spanish)

Radio: 1010 WINS, WCBS Newsradio 880

Tuesday, October 29, 7PM

TV: NBC 4 New York (English), Telemundo Nueva York (Spanish)

Radio: WOR Radio

COMPTROLLER

Tuesday, October 8, 7PM

TV: NY1 (English), NY1 Noticias (Spanish)

Radio: WNYC

Debate will be cancelled if there is only one candidate who meets the criteria.

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