

## March 14, 2020 Speech Contest

1 LMU Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90045

Compete with the best speakers of high school age students, to win recognition and prizes and showcase your talents.

## **District Contest Cash Prizes:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place \$1,000.00\* 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$ 500.00 3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$ 250.00

To qualify, you must win a speech contest at your local Rotary club and advance to District level.

\* The First Place Winner at District is invited and expected to deliver his or her speech at the District 5280 Conference in Lake Arrowhead CA May 1- May 3, 2020.

Rotary International is a global leadership and service non-profit organization, operating as 32,000 clubs local clubs – an organization big enough to tackle big problems, while also deeply involved in the clubs' local communities. More information is available on <a href="https://www.rotary.org">www.rotary.org</a>

## **Speech Topic:** *Rotary Connects the World* (Rotary Theme for 2019-2020).

As a contestant, you should structure a speech that explains, promotes or clarifies how this theme is a positive solution to life's challenges. You may choose a challenge within the nation, state, community, school, family or a personal challenge and apply *Rotary Connects the World* as the message of the speech.



## Official Rules:

- 1. Speech must be an original work, 4 to 6 minutes in length, composed by the contestant. Speakers will be given timing cards at 4 min., 5 min. and 6 min., and will be disqualified of they speak longer than 6 minutes 30 seconds.
- 2. Speech must not be read or delivered from notes. One 3"x5" note card will be allowed.
- 3. Contestant must be currently enrolled in high school or of high school age.
- 4. Contestant will compete at the sponsoring Rotary Club before **February 14**, **2020**. [or earlier refer to sponsoring Rotary club.]
- 5. The Entry fee must be <u>received</u> at District Office by **February 14, 2020**:

\*\*Clubs 24 members or less - \$90.00

\*\*Clubs 25-49 members - \$145.00

\*\*Clubs 50+ members - \$200.00

- 6. Club winners will advance to the District finals to be held **March 14**, **2020** at Loyola Marymount University by <u>online application submitted by</u> sponsoring Rotary Club.
- 7. Parent or legal guardian permission required. See Registration/Application.

For more information refer to, <a href="https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50010/SitePage/pageant-of-the-arts">https://portal.clubrunner.ca/50010/SitePage/pageant-of-the-arts</a> or call your sponsoring Rotary club.

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