

## District 2-S4 Outstanding Youth Contest Rules

Contestant must be a full time student at a public school or comparable educational program of learning, at the junior or senior level, within the area designated as District 2S4 in Lions Clubs MD2 Texas. Contestant must be available to attend the District 2S4 Convention and also the MD2 State Convention.

Each contestant's application shall be accompanied by an unofficial high school transcript and three letters of recommendation. Competition evaluation shall include high school grade point average, a personal biographical information statement, and three letters of recommendation, performance of community service and leadership participation and a personal interview.

The maximum points to be used for judging contestants shall be:

- Grade point average = 20 points
- Personal biography information statement = 5 points
- Three letters of recommendation (total) = 15 points
- Community Service/leadership = 30 points
- Personal Interview = 30 points

The judges' total scores are to be combined to reach a grand total score.

Contestants shall remain outside the contest room until invited to enter by the Contest Chairman. Before the contestants enter the contest room, the audience is asked to refrain from applauding or celebrating until all the contestants have been interviewed. No one is allowed to enter the contest room during an interview. Upon entering the contest room, contestants shall state only their names and then the interview shall proceed. Contestants may remain in the contest room to hear interviews of other contestants. When all interviews have been concluded, contestants shall assemble in the order of their presentations to state their names, hometowns, ages, schools, grade levels and sponsoring Lions Clubs. The audience may collectively applaud upon completion of the process.

District 2S4's Outstanding Youth Contest will be held during the District Convention.

District 2S4 1<sup>st</sup> place winner receives scholarship of \$400.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$100.00. The District winner goes on to the MD2 contest to be held at the State Convention. The MD2 1<sup>st</sup> place winner receives scholarship of \$1000.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> place scholarship of \$500.00.

The winner's sponsoring Lions Club must provide transportation for the winner and chaperone to the state contest. Other expenses are paid by District 2S4 and MD2.

**DEADLINE:** for sponsoring Lions Club to present student application with photos for the District 2S4 Outstanding Youth Contest is **April 1<sup>st</sup>**.

To Lions Club Youth Contest Chairperson: Send your application for the district contest with photos attached to the appropriate chairperson by **April 1<sup>st</sup>**.