

DISTRICT 2-S4 2007 Drug Awareness Speech Contest Rules

Oration Topic: HOW DRUGS & DRIVING DON'T MIX

The presentation should analyze the problem and present a solution. Research for this topic can be conducted by interviewing school officials, teachers, judges, law enforcement personnel, probation personnel, counselors, juvenile court officials, legislators, medical personnel, and by using the library. The topic is broad and allows the contestant considerable lead way in proposing the plan. Sources of data and quotes should be identified by title and date published (year if known). Innovative, practical and reasonable ideas are welcomed.

Each contestant must be a full time student in a Texas high school or comparable education program, must be a junior or senior class member at the time of the contest and be sponsored by a Lions Club in District 2-S4. The winner in the District contest will be entered in the MD2 Contest.

The speech will be from five (5) to seven (7) minutes in length. Notes, cue cards and video equipment may not be used at District or State contests. Contestants will be required to use either a stationary or hand held microphone for presentation. A monitor will signal contestants at five (5) minutes and at 6 and one half (6 ½) minutes. At seven (7) minutes the monitor will signal and five (5) points will be deducted from the contestant's score. A speech of less than five (5) minutes or more than seven and one half (7 ½) minutes will be disqualified. Should a disturbance occur during a speech, the monitor will adjust the time accordingly.

Contestants will draw for positions and remain outside the contest area until their turn. Contestants will not give any self-introduction, but give the title of their speech and then deliver the speech. The audience will not applaud at the end of each speech. Contestants may remain to hear the following speeches.

After all speeches have been delivered, the contestants will assemble at the lectern in order of their presentations, and will give their name, age, school, grade and sponsoring club. All persons connected with the contest will be introduced, including judges, monitors, VIPs, etc.

The District 2-S4 contest will take place at the third cabinet meeting in Bay City on Jan.26. All contestants and the winner will be introduced after the luncheon. The winner will then present his/her speech to the District cabinet Lions in attendance.

District 2-S4 scholarship to 1st Place winner: \$400.00, 2nd place: \$100.00

MD2 scholarship to 1st place: \$1000.00, 2nd place: \$500.00

DEADLINE: for sponsoring Lions Club to present student application with photos to appropriate Drug Awareness chairperson is January 1st. Sponsoring club of the district winner will be responsible for transportation to the State Convention in Amarillo, Texas for the winner and his or her chaperone. Other expenses are paid by District 2-S4 and MD2.

To Lions Club Drug Awareness chairperson: Send your application for the district contest with photos attached to the appropriate drug awareness chairperson by January 1st.

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