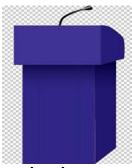


2023 - 2024 LIONS DISTRICT 5M13

SPEAK-OFF COMPETITION RULES



This is a co-educational contest available at three levels:

Grades 6-8 Grades 9 &10 Grades 11&12

Participants must be attending a Manitoba Department of Education sanctioned school.

Rules:

- A speaker's resume is required for introductory purposes. Please include: name, age, grade, school, name of parent(s) or guardian, address, phone number, email, sponsoring Lions Club, hobbies, career aspirations and any other relevant information.
- ✓ Speeches are to be 4-6 minutes in length.
- √ A 5-point deduction for each half minute or portion thereof will be assessed if under 4 minutes or over 6 minutes.
- ✓ Contestants may use notes (excessive reading to be penalized)
- √ Speakers are expected to use the microphone supplied
- ✓ Speeches must be original, on a topic of speaker's choice
- ✓ At end of each speech, questions will be posed by 2 people to the contestant, based on the speaker's topic
- ✓ Order of speaking will be by assigned numbers drawn prior to contest

Speeches will be evaluated in four categories:

- 1. Delivery
- 2. Material
- 3. Response to questions
- 4. Language & grammar.

Each of the following will be scored out of a possible 10 points:

- ❖ Voice/modulation, enunciation, grammar/language and clarity of message
- ❖ Speaker's passion for the topic, organization and pace
- ❖ Poise and confidence
- Is the response to guestions adequate, logical and made in a clear & fluent manner.

Prizes for Grades 6-8 and Grades 9 - 10 will be:

1st \$150

2nd \$100

3rd \$50

Prizes for Grade 11 – 12 will be:

1st \$200

2nd \$100

3rd \$50

Winner will have the option of choosing the cash prize or \$1000 prize towards the Lions Youth Exchange Program

Entries to be submitted to:

Lion Lorna Hislop

Email: <u>lornahislop@gmail.com</u> or Phone 204-210-2111 by January 30, 2024. Depending on the number of participants from clubs, speakers will be advised if a zone or region speak off elimination is required for each category.

Final Contest will be held at the 5M13 District Convention