

2016 – 2017 STUDENT SPEECH CONTEST

TOPIC: “WHAT IS YOUR PASSION AND HOW WILL IT CONTRIBUTE TO A CHANGING WORLD?”

WHO: Any High School Student. Entrants must submit a written manuscript of Of their speech to the sponsoring Lions Club at the Club Contest. **THE SAME SPEECH MUST BE USED FOR ALL COMPETITIONS.**

PURPOSE: Provide an opportunity for Public Speaking on a subject of interest to contestants and American people. Provide a vehicle for youth and members of Lions Clubs to interact in the community and stimulate self expression and independent thinking.

CONTESTS: The Contests will be held at the Club level. The Winner will participate at a District Function designated by each District. The District Winner will participate at the State Contest held at the State Convention. This is new this year because of having one convention and that is our State Convention.

AWARDS: The Awards are different at each District. I do however encourage each to remember the effort each student puts into participating and award them generously. The winner of the State Competition will receive \$500 cash award, second place will receive \$400, third and fourth will receive \$250.

JUDGING: Judges should not be Lions above the Club Level and best not at the Club Level.

SPONSORSHIP: Lions Clubs agree to extend to the participating students their fullest cooperation. Clubs agree to provide for requirements and welfare of any student whom they may be sponsoring and when the student appears in a Club, District or State Competition. This may include transportation and meals.

STATE CONTEST: The District or Club from which the Contestant is representing, **MUST BE RESPONSIBLE FOR LUNCH COST AT THE STATE CONVENTION.** This cost and how many guests will be determined by the Convention Committee. I will let you know the information concerning this.

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