



District 2-E2 Drug Awareness Speech Contestant Application



Contestant's Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

Birth Date: _____ Gender: Male Female Cell Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent Email Address: _____ Contact Phone: _____

School Currently Attending: _____ City: _____

Current Classification: Junior Senior Expected Year of Higher Education Enrollment: _____

Name of University/College You Plan to Attend: _____

Sponsoring Lions Club: _____ District: _____ Club

Contact: _____ Contact Phone: _____

Contact Email: _____

We certify the statements in this application are correct. We have reviewed a copy of the Policies and Rules for the Contest and promise to comply with them. We consent that all materials, creations, concepts, likeness, designs, posters, ideas, and intellectual rights and property used mentioned, spoken, and written for, or in connection with, this contest are the property of the Texas Lions MD-2 and may be published and used for any purpose selected by the Texas Lions MD-2 Council of Governors. A Chaperone approved by the District (a parent, guardian or Lion) shall accompany the Contestant during their stay at the event where the contest will be judged. We understand that the contestants are to be available, on request, to participate in MD-2 events and activities for the period of one year after the contest.

Contestant Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____



District 2-E2 Drug Awareness Speech Contest Rules 2016-2017



“Prescription Drug Abuse: What Should You Know?”

1. Speech Subject:

“Prescription Drug Abuse: What Should You Know?” Explore the types of drugs frequently abused, how they are acquired and distributed, who are the abusers, the dangers for the abuser and how we can prevent misuse.

2. Contest Rules:

- a. The title of the Contestant’s speech is not required to be the same as the Subject for the speech. Contestants should be creative in the selection of a speech title and set the tone for their presentation with the title they choose.
- b. The presentation should analyze the problem given in the subject and present a solution or solutions to the problem.
- c. 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 internet and the library.
- d. The topic is broad and allows the contestant considerable leeway in the selection of their solution or solutions.
- e. Sources of data and quotes should be identified by title, author and date published (year if known).
- f. Creative, innovative, practical, and reasonable ideas are welcome.
- g. The speech will be from five (5) to seven (7) minutes in length.
 - i. A monitor will signal contestants at five (5) minutes and at six and one half (6 ½) minutes.

- ii. At seven (7) minutes, the monitor will signal and five (5) points will be deducted from the contestant's score.
- iii. A speech of less than five (5) or more than seven and a half (7 ½) minutes will be disqualified.
- iv. Should a disturbance occur during a speech, the contest monitor will adjust the time accordingly.
- h. Notes, cue cards and video equipment may not be used at District or MD-2 State contests.
- i. All MD-2 contests shall be conducted in the English language and Contestants, during contest presentations, shall speak English.
- j. Judges should be persons who are knowledgeable of the subject.
- k. Order of appearance before the judging panel will be determined in advance at the direction of the State OFY Chair.
- l. The contest area must have good acoustics, be free from outside noises and disturbances, and have controlled access.
- m. Contestants shall remain outside the contest area until invited to enter by the Contest Official.
- n. The audience will be informed before the first contestant to not applaud at the end of the speech and reminded before each contestant delivers his/her speech of the same requirement.
- o. The audience will be asked to turn off any cell phones and/or electronic devices during the contest time.
- i. Failure to comply with this rule could result in disqualification of a Contestant at the discretion of the Contest Official.
- p. The winners will be announced during the Texas Lions 2-E2 Youth Luncheon at noon.
- q. The 1st place winner will present his/her speech at that time.

3. Awards:

- a. The 1st place winner will win a \$1,500.00 scholarship.
 - b. The 2nd place winner will win a \$1,000.00 scholarship.
 - c. The 3rd place winner will win a \$500.00 scholarship.
4. Payment will be made directly to the designated school.
5. The scholarship awards must be collected no later than two years following the recipient's graduation from High School.

6. Rules of Eligibility for Contestants

- a. A District may sponsor no more than one Contestant in each contest by submitting a completed entry application (containing all requested signatures), associated documents, and the entry fee to the MD-2 Contest Chairperson prior to the entry deadline.
- b. A false statement on the entry application, or associated document, causes disqualification of the Contestant, with the entry fee being forfeited.
- c. There shall be no refund of any entry fee.
- d. Each contestant shall have placed first in the District contest during the current Lions' year.

7. Responsibilities of Contestants

- a. Each Contestant shall be required to submit the following to their sponsoring Lions Club and/or District.
 - i. **Contest Application (mandatory to be completed online and copied; no handwritten applications will be accepted).**
 - ii. **Two (2) high quality wallet/passport photographs (such as current school picture) that are of the head-and-shoulders, glossy and in color.**
 - iii. **Signed Copy of the Code of Conduct and Chaperone Guidelines**
 - iv. **Medical Power of Attorney designating his/her Chaperone as the Primary Responsible Party and the State Contest Chair as the Secondary Responsible Party.**
 - v. **A Typed Copy of the Speech. The typed copy of the speech will not be used for judging purposes, but shall be used for publications and contest promotion purposes. Failure to supply the printed copy of the speech will result in a forfeiture of any awards earned in the contest.**
- b. Attend the Lions MD-2 Texas State Convention in Corpus Christi, Texas on May 25-26, 2017.
- c. Contestants are required to attend an orientation held the evening of May 25, 2017 at a time set forth by the State Chair.

- i. Exemption of this requirement may be granted prior to the meeting by their State Contest Coordinator or the State Contest Chair.
 - ii. Contestants will have the opportunity to visit the presentation area and ask any questions they may still have about the contest.
- d. All contestants must agree to be available, upon request to participate in Lions MD-2 events and activities during the period from immediately after the contest until the end of the following year's contest.

Contest Coordinator Contact Information

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**Texas Lions MD-2 State Competition will be held in Corpus Christi,
Texas on May 25-26, 2019.**