Lions Club International

District 2-E2

2022-2023 Outstanding Youth Contest

Contestant Package

Lions Clubs International District 2-E2

OUTSTANDING YOUTH CONTEST

2022-23

INFORMATION FOR CONTESTANTS

A. Contest Purpose

Identify, recognize, and reward the High School (HS) Junior or Senior student, or immediate graduate, who, above others, has excelled in academics, leadership, and community service.

B. Who is Eligible to Enter?

(1) Full time student in a Texas High School or comparable education program and,
(2) High School Junior or Senior, or immediate graduate at the time of the District contest

C. Become A Contestant

(1) Obtain and complete a **Contest Application** form (**must be completed online** – no handwritten application accepted). This form may be obtained from the Local Lions Club or the HS Guidance Counselor/Vice Principals acting as an agent for it or via the following link: Outstanding Youth Contest | Contest Application Form

(2) Prepare a contest entry package containing the following:

a. Above online Contest Application form printed.

b. Certified official HS transcript with grade point average.

c. Contestant Biographical Summary (resume especially containing or appended with a description of community service and leadership endeavors).

d. Three (3) letters of recommendation.

e. Essay: ***"The Impact of Technology on Society***" (750-1000 words) In this essay contestants should write about ways technology has changed our lives in the areas of communication, education, the environment, healthcare and wellness, transportation, social media, and other technological advancements of today. Included in the essay should be some of the impacts of technology on society. Contestants should offer their perspective on technology for their generation and future generations. The essay must be well-organized, have good vocabulary, conform to required length (also include word count on last page), and be typed double-spaced.

f. Four (4) high-quality wallet/passport photographs (such as a current school picture) that are of the head-and-shoulders, glossy and in color.

(3) Submit **Four (4) copies** of the contest entry package directly to the local sponsoring Lions Club by **December 9, 2022**.

D. Become a Lions Club-Sponsored Contestant to the District 2-E2 Contest

Submit contest entry package to a participating local Lions Club. That Club will select/sponsor one contestant to participate in the District 2-E2 contest. Please contact the District 2-E2 Outstanding Youth Chair noted at the bottom of this document if you need assistance in obtaining a club for sponsorship.

E. District 2-E2 Contest (Interview) **Saturday, January 21, 2023** – Irma Marsh Middle School, 415 Hagg Drive, River Oaks, TX 76114.

(1) Participate in an informal interview of about 15 minutes before 3 judges.
(2) Attire should be suitable for church or a job interview.
(3) Order of interviews will be by a draw.
(4) Contestants remain in a separate waiting area until invited to enter the interview room.
(5) Contestants simply state their name only to begin the interview.
(6) Contestants stay in the interview room after their interview.
(7) All contestants will be presented at the day's luncheon at which time winners will be announced.
(8) Two (2) scholarships of $2,000.00 will be awarded.

F. Judging Criteria

(1) ***"The Impact of Technology on Society***" Essay (15%).
(2) Grade Point Average (5%).
(3) Letters of Recommendation (15%).
(4) Biographical information statement, community service, leadership experience/ participation information (35%).
(5) Personal Interview (30%).

G. To Collect Scholarship Winnings

(1) Have the registrar of the college, junior college, or vocational school send verification of registration and associated account number (including the student's full name) to the Lions District 2-E2 Treasurer, Don Noblit, at the following address: P.O. Box 820895, North Richland Hills, TX 76182.
(2) Upon receipt of the above, Don will forward a check to the school.
(3) Request for payment must be received no later than 2 years following the recipient's graduation from high school.

H. Subsequent State Contest

(1) The Lions District 2-E2 first place winner advances to represent the District at the State competition, which will be held **online on Saturday, May 6, 2023.**

(2) The Lions District 2-E2 runner-up will represent the District at the State contest if the first-place winner is unable to do so and is approved by the Lions MD-2 (Multi-District 2) Contest Chairman).

(3) Comply with all contest rules found at https://texaslions.org/outstanding-youth-award/.

I. Questions/Lions Club Sponsorship

Please feel free to contact the District Outstanding Youth Contest Coordinator at (817) 233-7403 or clcmlueckenhoff@gmail.com for any questions you may have, or if you need assistance in obtaining a Lions Club to sponsor you for the competition.

Best of Luck to you in this competition and in the future!

Mike Lueckenhoff
District 2-E2 Outstanding Youth Contest Coordinator

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DISTRICT 2-E2 CONTEST RULES

BACKGROUND: The Lions District 2-E2 Outstanding Youth Contest for 2022-2023 will be held on Saturday, January 21, 2023. This contest is an annual competition allowing high school juniors and seniors to apply for the Texas Lions Outstanding Youth Scholarship Award (OYA), with district winners progressing to State competition. Contestants are evaluated on their 750 to 1,000 word essay, high school grade point average, three letters of recommendation, personal biographical information statement, performance of community service, leadership experience/participation, and a personal interview.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: Postmarked NO LATER THAN December 23, 2022; Delivered NO LATER THAN December 30, 2022.

MAILING/DELIVERY ADDRESS: Lion Mike Lueckenhoff, 6707 Meade Drive, Colleyville, TX, 76034

ELIGIBILITY: Juniors and Seniors

ACTUAL IN-PERSON CONTEST (Interview):

WHEN: Saturday, January 21, 2023, Report No Later Than 9:00 am. Event ends at 1:00 pm.

WHERE: Irma Marsh Middle School, 415 Hagg Drive, River Oaks, TX 76114

WHAT: Live Interview with Lions Officials/Lunch/Winners Announced

WINNERS: **1st PLACE** – $2,000 Scholarship*
2nd PLACE (First Alternate) – $2,000 Scholarship**

*Advances to State Competition – competing for additional scholarships up to $3,000.

**First Alternate may advance to State Competition if Winner cannot attend and alternate approved by the MD-2 {State) Contest Chairman.

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REQUIREMENTS:

- Contact local Lions Club for sponsorship. Contact Lion Mike Lueckenhoff at (817) 233-7403 or clcmlueckenhoff@gmail.com for assistance, if needed.
- Complete contestant application online (not handwritten) – Outstanding Youth Contest | Contest Application Form
- Complete 750-1,000 word essay on "The Impact of Technology on Society" - typed - double-spaced. Four (4) copies. Word count shown on last page.
- Four (4) typed copies of biographical information statement, community service, leadership experience/participation experience.
- Four (4) copies of three letters of recommendation.
- One (1) certified high school official transcript plus three (3) copies.
- Four (4) high-quality wallet/passport-sized photographs (such as a current school picture) that are of the head and shoulders, glossy and in color.
- Personal interview on January 21, 2023.
- Meet deadline and complete application package requirements.

CRITERIA:

- 750 - 1,000 word essay on **"The Impact of Technology on Society".** In this essay contestants should write about ways technology has changed our lives in the areas of communication, education, the environment, healthcare and wellness, transportation, social media, and other technological advancements of today. Included in the essay should be some of the impacts of technology on society. Contestants should offer their perspective on technology for their generation and future generations. The essay must be well-organized, have good vocabulary, conform to required length (also include word count on last page), and be typed double-spaced. **Fifteen percent (15%).**
- Grade point average from certified high school official transcript. **Five percent (5%).**
- Three (3) letters of recommendation. **Fifteen percent (15%).**
- Biographical information statement, community service, leadership experience/participation experience. **Thirty-Five percent (35%).**
- Personal Interview-the personal interview may include matters on current local, state, national or worldwide events. Will be conducted in the English language. **Thirty percent (30%).**

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ADVANCING TO STATE COMPETITION:

- Winner at District 2-E2 will advance to State competition which will be held online on Saturday, May 06, 2023, with an orientation on Saturday, April 29, 2023. Contestants must be able to participate in Orientation and the Contest using online live audio and video communication tools. Zoom video conferencing app will be used for the contest.
- First Alternate at District 2-E2 may advance to State Competition, if Winner cannot attend and alternate approved by the MD-2 (State) Contest Chairman.
- Scholarships of $3,000 (1st Place), $2,000 (2nd Place) and $1,000 {3rd Place) will be awarded for winners at the State contest.
- Winner (or First Alternate if Winner cannot compete at State level and First Alternate approved) at the District 2-E2 level must satisfy all State-level entry requirements found at https://texaslions.org/outstanding-youth-award/.

Please see the complete 2022-2023 ONLINE Contest Rules on the Texas Lions website 2023-OFY-Outstanding-Youth-Rules.pdf (texaslions.org).

Please feel free to contact me at (817) 233-7403 or clcmlueckenhoff@gmail.com for assistance or any questions you may have regarding this wonderful opportunity.

Lion Mike Lueckenhoff
Lions Outstanding Youth Contest Chair
District 2-E2