

MD4 Governor's Scholarship Contest

Sponsored by the MD4 Student Speaker Foundation

DISTRICT LEVEL: District Student Speaker Chairs to send invitation to students still active in the "original" speech contest, regardless of level, (which has been cancelled in its original form) to submit their speeches in **written** form to the District Student Speaker Chair for judging. (No Later than June 27, 2020) District Chair to compile a Judging Committee of 3-5 Judges (Lions permitted at this level **only** as long as there is 1 Non-Lion Judge and the Lions do not have an actively participating student in the contest) Judging Committee will select the top 4 written speeches based on content. District Chair will contact the top 4 students and ask them to record a YouTube video of their speech to be submitted for judging to the District Chair no later than July 18,2020. Same judging panel used in written judging should be utilized for the judging of the videos. Winner of the video portion to be submitted to the Area Student Speaker chair by the District Chair no later than August 1, 2020 for Area Judging.

AREA LEVEL: Area Student Speaker Chair to compile a panel of 3-5 non-lion judges to judge the submitted videos. Winner to be submitted to MD4 Student Speaker Committee Chair no later than August 8, 2020 for judging.

MULTIPLE (STATE) LEVEL: Student Speaker Committee to compile a panel of 3-5 non-lion judges to judge the Area Videos and determine the MD4 Winner of the Contest to be announced at the August Council of Governors Meeting.

RULES:

- Students invited to participate must still be "active" in the cancelled speech contest. (Regardless of level; zone or region.)
- Students must submit their written speech that was used prior to the cancellation of the contest via e-mail in a Word Document.
- Student videos must be no less than 5 minutes and no more than 10 minutes. Videos outside of this time frame will not be accepted for judging. YouTube Videos to be emailed.

PRIZE STRUCTURE:

- District Level - \$250 – to ALL 4 Finalists (provided by the District)
- District Winner - \$4,500 – provided by the Student Speaker Foundation (SSF)
- Area Level - \$6,500 – to the 3 not selected as the MD4 winner (provided by the SSF)
- MD4 Winner - \$10,000 – to be provided by the SSF

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DEADLINES: Written Speech to District Chair – June 27, 2020
Video of Top 4 to District Chair – July 18, 2020
Video of District Winner to Area Chair – August 1, 2020
Video of Area Winner to MD4 Committee Chair – August 8, 2020

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES:

- Student Speaker Committee will provide Judging forms to the District and Area Chairs via email for use.
- The committee encourages the use of educators for the contest judges.
- Written speech judging should be based on content only
- Video speeches will be judged on content and presentation quality.
- Questions regarding the rules or procedures of this contest should be directed to the Student Speaker Committee Chairperson.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.