

CONTEST RULES

1. The student must be a high school student in the local club territory.
2. Speech must be five (5) minutes and no longer than seven (7) minutes. Experience dictates that papers under 800 words will be too short--under 5 minutes. Remember that if a student's speech is under 5 minutes, it will result in disqualification.
3. Speech (essay) must follow the Four-Way Test theme, which is the four questions of the Four-Way Test of Rotary.
4. Speech must be original for this year's contest and not previously used in Interscholastic League competition.
5. Speech must relate to the lives of the age group of the participants.
6. The speech need not be given by memory, but it shall not be read. In other words, the speaker must have the speech mastered and good eye contact. The script must be in front of him, but he only looks at it occasionally.
7. Judging of the speech is based on:
 - Content--50%
 - Organization--30%
 - Delivery--20%
8. The Four-Way Questions are:
 - Is it the truth?
 - Is it fair to all concerned?
 - Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
 - Will it be beneficial to all concerned?