



美東中文學校協會

Association of Chinese Schools

The 46th Annual Conference of Association of Chinese Schools The Foundation of Pei Chi Chou

General Rules of Chinese Speech Contest (CSL Group)

Host: Association of Chinese Schools, Region 4 & Region 5
Deh-Ming Chinese School, Maryland

Time : Saturday, May 25, 2019, 3:00pm

Location: Sheraton Inner Harbor Hotel
300 South Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21201

Registration Deadline : April 16 2018

Eligibility:

1. Students are assigned into two groups – Intermediate Group for students age 9-12 on 8/31/2019 and Advanced Group for students age 13-18 on 8/31/2019.
2. Students who are currently enrolled in any of our affiliated Chinese Schools are eligible to participate.
3. Students who have previously won the first price are NOT eligible to register for the same contest.
4. Students must meet one of the following three criteria to be eligible for participating in CSL contest: (a) Family members are not able to use Chinese to communicate. (b) Neither of student's parents are native speakers. (c) Students are currently enrolled at CSL program in Chinese school.
5. Students who are currently enrolled or previously enrolled for more than 3 years in Traditional Track in Chinese school are not eligible to participate in CSL contest.
6. Each Chinese school is responsible to review the eligibility of their students. Students have to obtain the signature of school principal on the registration form as proof of eligibility.
7. Each Chinese school can only register one student for each group.

Speech Time Length Limit: 1 min. 30 sec. ~ 3 min.

Order of Appearance:

Please arrive and check in 30 min before the contest. Students will draw lots to decide the order of appearance and should be seated in order.

Topic:

Students can decide the topic for their speech. Any form of plagiarism is strongly forbidden.

Judges:

We invite five judges who are experienced with speech contest and not affiliated with any schools.

Scoring Items and Weight:

Pronunciation (25%), Tone (25%), Content (25%), Stage Manner (15%), Time Control (10%)

Scoring Rules:

1. Each judge score students within percentages for each item. We calculate the score with weight, and the sum would be the final score. Each judge will create one rank of list. After obtaining all lists, we sum up the rank number of each student, and create a final rank of this contest.
2. During the contest, the contest assistant will time the speech. The score of "Time Control" will be reported immediately after each speech. Students get full score of 10 if the speech timing is between 1 min. 30 sec. to 3 min. One score will be deducted for every 10 sec shorter or longer than the above period.
3. Challenges should ONLY be requested by the school team leader during the competition. Any challenges requested after the contest is not considered. The school team leader is responsible to provide the reasons for challenge. Judges will make the final decision after group discussion. Once the final decision is made, challenge related to the same issue is not allowed.

Reward:

1. The contest result will be released right after the contest, and students will receive the award at the closing ceremony. In addition to the top three awards, all participated students are awarded with certificate.

Awards for top three students:

- a. First Prize: \$100 with certificate and trophy
 - b. Second Prize: \$80 with certificate and trophy
 - c. Third Prize: \$50 with certificate and trophy
2. Under the circumstance that only four students register to compete in one group, we award top 2 students with prize, certificate and trophy.
 3. Under the circumstance that fewer than four students registered to compete in one group, we only award certificate for each student.

Registration Fee:

\$40 per student. We ONLY accept checks for registration. Please make the check payable to ACS, and note "speech contest" on the check.

Registration:

Please Fill out the google forms on ACS website and Submit. You will receive an email right away. Please verify the information. Print out the email and send it with check to ACS by 4/16/19.

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