

**LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL  
MD”A” EFFECTIVE SPEAKING PROGRAM  
JUNIOR DIVISION  
GRADES FOUR TO EIGHT**

**PURPOSE**

To provide an opportunity for competitive effective speaking and to stimulate self expression and independent thinking among students

**ELIGIBLE CONTESTANTS**

This contest is open to students in Elementary Schools and Private Elementary In Grades four to eight

A Lions Club or Lioness Club must sponsor a student to compete in the District competitions. Which are usually held in late March of each year

There is a competition in both English and French languages.

**PREPARED SPEECH**

The contestant will present his or her own selected topic, partisan politics and sectarian religion excepted. The prepared speech must be the work of the speaker.

The speech should be at least three minutes in length, but not to exceed five minutes.

A penalty of one point for every seconds or portion there of, under or over the time limitation will be imposed and will be made on the aggregate total of the judges points for the contest

**DELIVERY**

Brief notes may be referred without deduction of points, but too frequent references to notes will count against the speaker

Props or aids (ie. uniforms, equipment, etc) shall not be used. The use of “Mime” or pause exceeding ten seconds during the presentation shall cause the contestant to receive a lower score

**JUDGES EVALUATION**

**Material** is base on selection of subject-10 points

**Organization of material**- 10points

**Interest** (Does the speaker get the interest of the audience with their first sentence and hold it or seem to lag?)-10 points,

**English or French** ( is the command of the language chosen Excellent, Mediocre or poor?)-10 points

**Delivery** is based on change in rate-5 points

**Change in pitch**-5points

**Change in volume**-5 points

**Eye contact**-5 points

**Gestures** (mechanical or natural?)-5 points

**Posture**- 5 points

**Enunciation and Pronunciation**-5points,

**Fluency**-5 points

**General Effects**, considers both material and delivery. How effective is the speaker in securing and holding the attention of the audience. Was the speech convincing? -20 points

**TOTAL OF 100 POINTS**

The judges scoring will be final and beyond question