



FOUR-WAY TEST SPEECH CONTEST

Rotary District 6600

Saturday, April 8th, 2017

Event starts promptly at 9:30am

Niswonger Performing Arts Center of Northwest Ohio
10700 State Route 118 South Van Wert, OH

Please direct all questions to the District 6600 Speech Contest Chair:

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Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to ALL concerned?

Will it build GOOD WILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to ALL concerned?



SPEECH CONTEST TIMELINE

Between now &

February 1, 2017: Organize your local contest and contact area schools.

February 1, 2017: Deadline for Club Speech Chairs to inform the District Contest Chair of their club's contest date and location.

March 17, 2017: Deadline to complete all club contests. Submit the District 6600 Contest Registration Form for club winners to the District Contest Chair.

April 8th 2017: District 6600 Speech Contest – Niswonger Performing Arts Center of Northwest Ohio, 10700 State Route 118 South Van Wert, OH

The District 6600 Competition prize money is:

First Place - \$500

Second Place - \$300

Third Place - \$200



ROTARY FOUR-WAY TEST SPEECH CONTEST RULES

- Contestants must be high school students in grades 9, 10, 11, or 12.
- Students being schooled at home in a program recognized by their school district or the State of Ohio are allowed to enter.
- A student may compete in only one Rotary District 6600 club contest.
- Any prior year's winner at any level may compete again at the club level, as long as they are otherwise eligible, so long as they enter with a new speech.
- Material must be original in content and center around applying the Rotary Four-Way Test to an important issue in our everyday relationships. The test asks the following four questions:

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- The speech must be at least 5 minutes, but not more than 7 minutes in length with a 15 second leeway. Points will be deducted for going over or under. Contestants should prepare a speech with facts, statistics, stories, examples and quotations. The speech should be memorized. Notes may be used, but reading directly from them is discouraged.
- In the event that a club winner becomes unable to compete at the next level, the runner-up can be offered a chance to compete in the District Contest.
- The District 6600 Competition prize money is:
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All other contestants will be considered Fourth Place winners and be given a participation award.