



Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Los Angeles
Fifth Oratorical Speech Contest

Saturday, July 28, 2018

Registration: 8:30am | Contest begins promptly at 9:00am

Alhambra Unified School District, Board Room
1515 West Mission Road, Alhambra, CA 91803



Do you have the skills and the confidence to demonstrate your oratory talents in the art of persuasive argument, in articulating facts to support your position in response to provocative issues that continue to confound, transfix and excite the public?

The Annual Oratorical Speech Contest, sponsored by the Chinese American Citizens Alliance of Los Angeles, will provide you the opportunity to showcase your talents before an appellate court assembly where they'll render judgment on the most convincing summation to this year's topic: Affirmative Action.

Contestant check-in begins at 8:30am. The contest promptly starts at 9:00am. Contestants should master facts of the topic. However, since their stance on the argument will be assigned upon arrival, they are given approximately one hour to make final preparation of their responses. Arguments begin at 10:00am and contestants will have 12 minutes to make their case before the Court (and the time

allotment includes questions from the Court). Order of speakers will be made by random drawing. Following the last speaker, the judges will convene in Chambers to determine the contest winners while contestants and their families will enjoy refreshments provided. Winners will be announced and awarded their prizes following the refreshments break.

Prize Category

There will be a first place prize of \$300, a second place prize of \$200, and a third place prize of \$100. Others will receive Honorable Recognition.

Eligibility

The C.A.C.A. Los Angeles Oratorical Speech Contest is open to incoming sophomore high school students (Fall 2018) up to second-year college students (Fall 2018).

Contest Information, Rules and Conditions

Early arrival is recommended. Access to the internet will not be permitted. Contestants are allowed to use their laptops or tablets to compose their speeches and allowed during their oral presentation. Handwritten notes can be used during the oral presentation. Writing materials such as index cards and writing instruments will be provided by Contest organizers. A thesaurus is permitted. Professional attire is not required but recommended.

How to Apply

Applications are due by 5:00pm (PST) Friday, July 20, 2018. Please submit to cacalalodge@gmail.com. Hurry and apply! Space is limited and on a first-come, first serve basis.

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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Phone _____ **Email** _____

Date of Birth _____ **Age** (as July 1, 2018) _____

Education Status* _____
** high school or college/field of study*

I have reviewed the Contest rules and conditions and I will be bound by all of its requirements.

Contestant Signature *Date*

Parent or Guardian Permission

(required for Contestants under age 18)

I give my permission for my child/ward to participate in the Oratorical Speech Contest. Further, I grant the Chinese American Citizens Alliance (C.A.C.A.) my permission to use a picture of my son/daughter, the Contestant, for its public relations purposes. C.A.C.A. may use the photo in any publication they see fit.

Signature *Date*

Relationship _____

Established in 1895, the Chinese American Citizens Alliance has fought against racial discrimination, defended civil rights, opposed anti-immigration movements and countered efforts to marginalize American Chinese culture and heritage. Each of the chartered lodges across the U.S. is dedicated to enhancing civic pride, supporting community services and promoting responsible citizenship. For more information, please visit www.cacala.org