

Good day Sons!

Thank you for all your support of the American Legion and their programs.

As we get close to our next American Legion High School Oratorical speech contest it's time to get preparations ready. One of the most important items include getting students for the contest. While attending the Americanism conference, Oratorical College, some great suggestions were discussed. Here are a few ideas that can help in getting students. Contact your local Colleges and universities, they will be reaching out to your local High Schools for Students, most likely the same Students we are looking for. Ask them to set up a table with materials. Lyons and Rotary clubs can be great contacts. These groups are always looking for young speakers, get some names from them! Get in touch with your local P.T.S.A. President, ask them to pass the information on for us. Make sure to contact your local Home Schooled students. They have been great in the past. Your local Church has a newsletter, your homeowners association has one too, write a article and get it published. Get ahold of your Boys and Girls State lists, these can be a great resource of potential names. Look at these apps, did the student check off speech and debate interest? Get in touch with local recruiters of our military service Academy's. Do you know anyone involved with Toastmasters? Check with them. Get in touch with the National Speech and Debate Association. The National Christian Forensics and Communication Association, NCFCA, gave us a presentation and is a great contact for names, visit there website [www.ncfca.org](http://www.ncfca.org). These are just a few ideas to get you started. As you know, this is a huge event to organize. As you get started please consider we need Volunteers including escorts, timers, judge's, users, tabulators and moderators. Don't forget how much scholarship money is available for these students !

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