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TO: Counselors, Scholarship Chairman, and Speech & Debate Instructors  
FROM: Paul G. Johnson, Department Chairman

2024-2025 High School Oratorical Scholarship Contest

We are asking for your assistance with recruiting students for participation in the Oratorical Contest.

The National Rule and Regulations for competition can be viewed online at  
<http://www.legion.org/oratorical>

Enclosed with this letter is the Arizona State Brochure and Application. The Application Form will be accepted online from NOW until January 31, 2025 or earlier the student can let us know of their intent to participate, the better the experience. Information can be found online at [www.azlegion.org/programs](http://www.azlegion.org/programs) or you can go into the National webpage and click on your state.

Dates for local competition are enclosed and contests will begin February of 2025, depending on when each Post that participates have their contest and continue through to the State finals scheduled to be held on March 29, 2025, at a location TBD at State Conference.

Additional information may be obtained by calling The American Legion Headquarters in Phoenix at (602)264-7706. Calls may also be directed to Paul G. Johnson, (623) 399-0633 or email [pjchef2000@gmail.com](mailto:pjchef2000@gmail.com).

**Last Day for Applications - January 31, 2025**

**Post Competition (during) - February 2025**

**District Competition (during) - March 2025**

**Area (A, B, C) Competition- must be completed on or before MARCH 22, 2025.**

**Area A – Benson High School, Benson, AZ**

**Area B – Post-145 – Arrowhead Apartment Resort Theater**

**Area C - TBA**

**State Competition – MARCH 29, 2025,**

**National Competition – May 16 - 18, 2025, Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, MI**

**PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION ALONG TO THE APPROPRIATED EDUCATOR IN YOUR SCHOOL  
THANK YOU.**

Sincerely,

Paul G. Johnson