



**THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF NEW JERSEY
National High School Oratorical Scholarship Program
“A Constitutional Speech Contest”**



REGISTRATION & INFORMATION FORM

Winning Contestants Name: _____ Age: _____

Full Mailing Address: _____

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Phone #: _____ E-mail: _____

Father's Name: _____ Mother's Name: _____

Name of School Attending: _____ Grade: _____

Full Mailing Address of School: _____

Full Name & Number of Sponsoring American Legion Post, County & District: _____

Title of Prepared Oration: _____

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

1. The Department Contest will be held on March 28, 2026 at the Joyce Kilmer Post 25 – 4 JFK Kennedy Dr., Milltown, NJ 08850. Snow date will be April 4, 2026. The contest will start at 10:00 sharp. Have your contestants there by 9:00 a.m.
2. All District Chairmen will be sent a *District Chairman's Report Form*. Please fill that form out and return a copy of both of these forms to the Chairman (listed below) and to Department Headquarters.
3. The National Finals will be held May 16-17, 2026 at Hillsdale College, 33 E. College St., Hillsdale, Michigan 49242. If a contestant has a conflict with these dates, it is better that they **not compete** in the Department Finals at all. The winner of the Department Contest, is **expected** to attend the National Finals. If they can't attend the National Finals, for any reason, send the 2nd place winner to the Department Contest instead. This is **your responsibility** to verify that the contestant is available to attend.
4. If at all possible, the Local Post and County should offer some type of scholarship or bond to their respective winner.

Please forward a copy of this form to both Department Headquarters and to the Department Chairman:

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