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2020 David Gittrich Memorial Kansans for Life Oratorical Contest

Our youth are our future. We want to encourage and reward them for their pro-life stand. Therefore, Kansans for Life is sponsoring the Oratorical Contest for juniors and seniors in high school.

The contest will be held on May 30 via videoconference at 1:00 p.m. KFL will contact all contestants to set up an opportunity to give his or her speech via videoconference with the judges.

The 1st place state winner will receive \$250, with \$150 for 2nd place and \$100 for 3rd. The 1st place winner also earns a chance to compete in the National Right to Life virtual Jane B. Thompson Oratory Contest.

Contestants are to research, write and present an original pro-life speech on the need to amend the Kansas Constitution in order to place life-saving limits on abortion in our state; the role of Kansas courts and the state legislature in passing and regulating pro-life laws and/or pro-life legislation enacted or supported by Kansans for Life. Speeches are to be 5-7 minutes in length. Note cards may be used.

Call 800-928-5433 or 316-687-5433 for additional information or email kfl@kfl.org.

2020 Kansans for Life Oratorical Contest - [Registration Form](#)

Please fill out and return to KFL at the postal or email addresses below:

Student's Name: _____ Age _____ Grade Level _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone: () _____

E-mail address _____ School Name _____

Contestant's Signature _____

Parent's Name _____ Parent's Signature _____

The online registration must be submitted or paper form postmarked no later than May 1.

Please send paper form to: Kansans for Life Oratory Contest, 3301 W. 13 St. N., Wichita, KS 67203 or kfl@kfl.org.

You will receive an acknowledgement of receipt of your registration, a copy of the rules, an education packet and videoconferencing directions.

Please see full rules on the reverse side of this sheet.



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1. Summary of Rules for State and National Contests
2. The Contest includes juniors and seniors in that grade of high school as of February 1, 2020. In the case of advanced students, non-traditional students, or home schooled students, the school must recognize the student as a junior or senior or the year the student will enter college will be used to determine eligibility.
3. This year, contestants are to research, write, and present an original pro-life speech on the need to amend the Kansas Constitution in order to place life-saving limits on abortion in our state; the role of Kansas courts and the state legislature in passing and regulating pro-life laws; pro-life legislation enacted or supported by Kansasans for Life. The speech should address one of these topics directly.
4. The speech is to be 5-7 minutes in length. A contestant will be disqualified if the speech is timed to be under 4 minutes or over 8 minutes in length. It is at the judges' discretion on how the 4-5 minute and the 7-8 minute speeches will reflect in the score.
5. Appropriate gestures are allowed. Props are not allowed, but contestants may use notes.
6. The contestant should use up-to-date factual information, and, of course, no copyrighted speeches are allowed in the contest.
7. The judges score the contestants in four areas: introduction, content, presentation and conclusion. Contestants are given a score of 1-10 (10 being the best) in each area. The scores are added together (40 being perfect). The judges' scores are added together for the grand total. The grand total will determine which contestants move to the next level. All judges' decisions will be final.
8. Registration forms returned via mail must be postmarked by Friday, May 1, 2020. Emailed and online registration must be completed by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 1, 2020.
9. The winner of the KFL Oratory Contest is eligible to compete in National Right to Life's virtual Jane B. Thompson Oratory Contest. (National submissions are due Friday, June 19. Further details will be furnished to the winner of the Kansas State Oratory Contest.)
10. The winner of the State Oratory Contest will be invited to present their winning speech at the Rally for Life on the steps of the Capitol in Topeka on January 22, 2021.
11. Kansasans for Life will search out avenues for the winners to present their winning speeches (radio, banquets, rallies around Kansas). These will be subject to availability and expenses.