

## Calling all 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade young adults How does \$4,800 towards college sound?

Join students from across the country in giving a speech on Leadership! This speech contest happens annually with the goal always being the same, write a first-class speech and present it to various audiences, eventually working your way to the top with a chance at the \$4,000 prize. There are three levels of competition:

1. **Chapter Level** – contests are run by local National Management Association (NMA) Chapters. Students in grades 9-12 from area high schools, including home-schooled students, compete against each other for prizes to be determined by local NMA chapters. If monetary, not to exceed \$300.
2. **Council Level** – winners at the Chapter Level compete against each other from a wider geographic. Local NMA Chapters band together to sponsor this second level of competition. The top monetary prize at this level should not exceed \$500.
3. **Nation Level** – Chapter/Council finalist compete at the NMA Annual Conference held in the Fall. These contestants compete for case prizes of \$4,000, \$1,000 and two \$500 third-place prizes.

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### Key Dates

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| January 15, 2021  | Deadline for submitting Speech Contest Student Entry with Authorization from parents and school officials. Email completed forms to <a href="mailto:lydia.boynton@srs.gov">lydia.boynton@srs.gov</a> and <a href="mailto:cheryl.hartfield@srs.gov">cheryl.hartfield@srs.gov</a> . |
| January 29, 2021  | Deadline to submit of four to six-minute speech with completed forms. Email PDF to <a href="mailto:lydia.boynton@srs.gov">lydia.boynton@srs.gov</a> and <a href="mailto:cheryl.hartfield@srs.gov">cheryl.hartfield@srs.gov</a> .  |
| February 5, 2021  | SRSLA notifies selected contestants to participate in the Chapter competition.  |
| February 27, 2021 | SRSLA Speech Contest – Virtual (potential physical location TBD).   |

This competition is an enjoyable opportunity to earn money towards college.

**First place winner at the NMA National Speech contest earns \$4,000.**

You can't win it, if you're not in it!

**Please consider entering to participate in this rewarding opportunity!**