

**Be that person on the right!**

**Grab the world and enter**

**Rotary Club of Elk Grove Speech Contest**

**February 15, 2017**

**Robert Trigg Center**

**5:30 PM**

**Contest starts at 6 pm sharp**

**Theme: “Serving Humanity”**

The speech must be between 5 and 8 minutes.

Notes are allowed at the club and semifinal level but not at the finals contest.

Club Level Prizes: 1st- $200; 2nd-$100; 3rd-$50

First Place Winners go to regional semi-finals in March/April 2017

 Semi-finals Prizes: 1st- $250 2nd -$100 3rd -$50

Four finalists go to District finals at Link Hall 625 Florin Rd, on April 27, 2017

Finals Prizes: 1st- $1,000; 2nd-$700; 3rd-$400; 4th-$200

 **For information and complete rules, contact Elliot Mulberg at mulberg@gmail.com**

**2016/2017 SPEECH CONTEST RULES**

**GENERAL RULES**:

1. Contestants must be high school students in grades 9, 10, 11, or 12.
2. Students being schooled at home in a program recognized by their school district or the State of California are allowed to enter.
3. A student may compete in **only ONE Rotary District 5180 club contest**.
4. Any prior year’s winner at any level may compete again at the club level, as long as they are otherwise eligible, and advance if they win.
5. All contestants must **ARRIVE** at their designated contest locations **NO LATER THAN TEN MINUTES PRIOR** to the start of the contest. Late arrivals will be **DISQUALIFIED**. There are no exceptions to this rule.
6. The topic for every contest level is **“Serving Humanity ”**.
7. The same speech must be used for all levels.
8. The speech must be **at least 5 minutes, but not more than 8 minutes in length**.
9. Under penalty of possible disqualification, contestants **may not mention their name, school or sponsoring Rotary Club** prior to or during their speech.
10. **No displays, props or prompting are allowed**. Clothing containing logos may be considered props.
11. **No pictures or video recording** are permitted during any speaker’s presentation.
12. Protests or concerns about the conduct of the contest at any level must be made to the moderator of the contest **prior to the announcement of the winners**.
13. All contestants must agree to speak at the semifinal and final contest should they advance that far.
14. In the event that a club or semifinal winner becomes unable to compete at the next level, the runner-up in the original contest will be offered a chance to compete.

**CLUB CONTEST:**

1. All of the **General Rules** apply at this level.
2. Contestants may use written notes at club level contests.
3. Use of microphones (handheld or wireless) is encouraged, though not required, at this level.

**Rotary District 5180**

**SPEECH CONTEST STUDENT ENTRY FORM**

I hereby apply to enter Rotary District 5180 Speech Contest. I will compete on \_\_2\_/\_\_15\_\_/17 at the club contest of the Rotary Club of Elk Grove .

I agree to abide by the rules of the Rotary District 5180 Speech Contest and to create an original speech for delivery.

I will enter **ONLY ONE** Rotary speech contest during 2016-17.

***Please fill out completely and legibly***

Student Name (printed): Grade:

Student Email Address: @

Student Phone: Home: ( ) Cell: ( )

Student Home Address:

(City) (Zip Code)

Parents’ Names (optional):

School:

Name of Teacher or Coach (if applicable):

Student Signature:

**TO ENTER THE CONTEST, RETURN THIS FORM**

**TO Elliot Mulberg at or**

**NOT LATER THAN 2/8/ 17**