

Application Form

2025 High School

Oratorical Program

Deadline December 1, 2024

Student First Name _____
Student Middle Name _____
Student Last Name _____
Student Date of Birth _____
Parent/Guardian First Name _____
Parent/Guardian Middle Name _____
Parent/Guardian Last Name _____
Parent/Guardian Date of Birth _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Email _____
High School _____
Grade _____

Contact a Sectional Vice Chair with any questions.

I have read and understand the rules and regulations to participate in the Oratorical Program sponsored by The American Legion, Department of Pennsylvania. I have also read and understand the brochure prepared by The National American Legion and agree to abide by all rules and regulations of both the Department and the National Organization.

Signed _____
Date _____

Oratorical Program Committee

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AWARDS

Department Winner

\$7,500.00 scholarship, plaque and all-expense-paid trip to the Department of Pennsylvania State Convention to deliver his or her winning prepared oration, plus the opportunity to represent Pennsylvania at the National Contest and receive an additional \$2,000.00 scholarship from the National Organization.

Department First Runner-up

\$5,000.00 scholarship and plaque.

Second Runner-up

\$4,000.00 scholarship and plaque.

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HIGH SCHOOL ORATORICAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



“A Constitutional Speech Contest”

Rules and Regulations



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