



## **2017-2018 LIONS DISTRICT 5M13 SPEAK-OFF COMPETITION RULES**

**This is a co-educational contest available at three levels: Grades 6-8, Grades 9 &10, Grades 11&12 – participants must be attending a Manitoba Department of Education sanctioned school.**

**Speeches of 4-6 minutes; 5 point deduction for each half minute or portion thereof to be assessed under 4 minutes or over 6 minutes. – contestants may use notes (excessive reading to be penalized) – speakers are expected to use the microphone supplied – speeches must be original, on a topic of speaker's choice – at end of speech, two questioners will pose questions to the contestant, based on the speaker's topic – order of speaking will be by assigned numbers drawn prior to contest.**

**Speeches will be evaluated in four categories: 1. Delivery 2. Material 3. Response to questions 4. Language & grammar.**

**Each of the following will be scored out of a possible 10 points: voice/modulation; enunciation; pace; poise/confidence; organization; clarity of message; speaker's passion for topic; grammar/language; response to questions adequate & logical and made in a clear & fluent manner. –**

**A speaker's resume is required for introductory purposes. Please include: name, age, grade, school, name of parent(s), address, phone numbers & email, sponsoring Lions Club, hobbies, career aspirations and other relevant information. –**

**Prizes for each age category will be: 1<sup>st</sup> \$150, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$100, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$50 with Grades 11 & 12 winner having the option of a \$1000 prize towards the Lions Youth Exchange Program –**

**Entries to be submitted to Lion Willie Brown at [wlbrown@mymts.ca](mailto:wlbrown@mymts.ca) 204 773 6360 as soon as possible. Depending on the number of participants from clubs, speakers will be advised if a zone or region speak off elimination is required for each category. . Final Contest will be held at the 5M13 Mid-Winter Convention Lunch at Winkler on November 18th, 2017**