



## FOUR WAY TEST SPEECH CONTEST

### **ENTER the ROTARY DISTRICT 6690 2024 ANNUAL FOUR WAY TEST SPEECH CONTEST!**

The Four-Way Test has captured the imaginations of generations of Rotarians as a simple checklist to help ensure that we are applying this positive and powerful code to how we try to live our lives and serve others.

Rotary's annual Four-Way Test Speech Contest competition offers students the opportunity to learn, understand and articulate their views on the value and power of the Four-Way test.

It is our hope that the test becomes apart of the contestant's own journey through life, while, at the same time offering new and creative perspectives to existing Rotarians who have the privilege to experience their views.

### What is the **FOUR WAY TEST?**

*Not based on culture or religion, The Four-Way Test has been translated into more than 100 languages, and asks the following essential questions of the things we think, say or do:*



- 1. Is it the truth?**
- 2. Is it fair to all concerned?**
- 3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?**
- 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?**



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### 2024 CONTEST DETAILS

**WHERE:** The District 6690 Rotary Four-Way Test Speech Contest will be held on Friday, April 19, 2024 in conjunction with the Rotary District 6690 Assembly at Deer Creek Lodge and Conference Center.

**REGISTRATION:** Registration should accompany the entry. Entries must be submitted to District Governor-Elect Gary Baker at his email address: [garydbaker0711@gmail.com](mailto:garydbaker0711@gmail.com) and are **due no later than April 5, 2024**. Only one entry is allowed per student.

**PARTICIPANTS:** High School students (freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors) who live in Rotary District 6690 (Central & Southeast Ohio) are eligible to participate. Ask sponsor if you are unsure of your eligibility. Prior contest winners of the District 6690 essay or speech contest may participate but must have a speech different from a prior winning essay or speech.

**RULES & FORMS:** All speech rules and forms are at:  
<http://rotary6690.org/get-involved/four-way-test-speech-contest>.

**PARTICIPATION at the DISTRICT CONFERENCE and other DISTRICT EVENTS:** The First-place winner will be asked to speak again at the Rotary District Assembly luncheon held on Friday, April 19, 2024. The Second place and Third place winners may also be asked to speak at the luncheon, but this will be dependent upon available time. The three winners, their families and sponsors will be Rotary's guests for the luncheon.

**PRIZES:** 2024 District level prizes will be:  
**First Place: \$1000, Second Place: \$700 and Third Place: \$500.**

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## 2024 CONTEST REGISTRATION

### Club Information

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Contestant Information

Contestant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

All entries become the property of Rotary District 6690.

Please return completed form with essay entry by April 5, 2024 to:

Gary Baker, District Governor Elect, Newark Rotary, [garydbaker0711@gmail.com](mailto:garydbaker0711@gmail.com) 740-501-5159

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## **2024 CONTEST RULES**

*The **FOUR-WAY TEST** of the things we think, say or do*

*1. Is it the **TRUTH**?*

*2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?*

*3. Will it **BUILD GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?*

*4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?*

### **I. ELIGIBILITY**

Any high school Freshman, Sophomore, Junior or Senior except a student who has won a previous State Four-Way Test Public Speaking Contest. Prior contest winners of the District 6690 contest may participate but must have a speech different from a prior winning speech.

### **II. RULES OF THE SPEECH:**

A. **SUBJECT:** Applying the Rotary Four-Way Test in our everyday relationships with other people.

B. **DELIVERY:** The speech is best given from memory and may not be read verbatim. Notes are allowed but the use of notes will cause points to be deducted. No props or audience participation may be used. A lectern can be used by the speaker.

C. **LENGTH OF SPEECH:** The speech should be no less than 5 minutes in length nor more than 7 minutes. Points will be deducted from the score if the speaker is under 5 minutes or over 7 minutes. The speaker will need to monitor their own time but a one minute warning will be given by the timer.

D. **SPEECH CONTENT:** The speech given by each contestant must be original in content and relate applying the Four-Way as much as possible to the lives of the age group of the contestant.

### **III. SCHEDULING:**

Contestants will be anonymous during the contest and will be assigned a number determined by a random drawing before the contest. Knowing that contestants have busy schedules and that distances to travel will vary, two registration times will be available. You will be notified if you have the 8:30 AM registration or the 9:30 AM registration.

### **IV. PRIZES:** District prizes will be:

**First Place: \$1000, Second Place: \$700 and Third Place: \$500.**