

# SPEECH CONTEST

TOPIC: *DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD*

**CONTEST DATE: MAR 19, 2026**  
**TIME: TBD**  
**APPLICATION DEADLINE: MAR 12**  
**LOCATION: ESHS LIBRARY**

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As a contestant, you should structure a speech that explains, promotes, or clarifies how this theme is a positive solution to life's challenges. You may choose a challenge within the nation, state, community, school, family, or a personal challenge and apply *Doing Good in the World* as the message of the speech.

## Prizes:

**1st place: \$350**

**2nd place: \$250**

**3rd place: \$150**

**First place winners will advance to a regional contest sponsored by Rotary District 5280.**

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## OFFICIAL RULES:

1. Applications must be submitted online.
2. Speech must be an original work, 4 to 6 minutes in length, composed by the contestant. Speakers will be given timing cards at 4 min, 5 min, and 6 min, and will be disqualified if they speak longer than 6 minutes 15 seconds. Quotes may be used but should be no more than 10% of the speech.
3. Speech at the local level may be read or delivered from notes. At the District level, only one 3"x5" note card will be allowed.
4. Contestant must be currently enrolled in high school or of high school age.
5. Participants will be notified of their presentation time prior to the competition.

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