



## Rotary International D7430



November 28, 2022

Dear Rotary Club President,

Public speaking proficiency and good critical thinking skills are important leadership attributes. Our Rotary District provides many youth programs and the Four Way Test Speech Contest is recognized as an excellent opportunity for high school students to develop these skills and learn about our guiding principles for ethical behavior.

Attached you will find the digital file for the 2022-2023 4Way Test Speech Contest Manual. It can also be found on the district website: <https://rotarydistrict7430.org/sitepage/four-way-speech-contest/4way-speech-contest/> along with a contest brochure and PPT file which can be adapted for your club's use in school presentations. This year the regional contests will be held April 1, 2023 with the District final on May 6, 2023 at the District Conference in Atlantic City.

If your Club has participated in the 4Way Speech Contest in the past, that's terrific and I applaud your club for doing so. This year we continue to plan for in-person contests unless the Covid-19 situation in winter and spring 2023 dictates a return to the virtual approach. All the information you and your club FWTSC chair need to know are in the manual. Please provide this information to your designated Speech Contest club chair.

If your Club is considering participating for the first time and would like one of our committee members to do a program about the contest at one of your upcoming Club meetings, please contact me at your convenience.

Lastly, we are looking for a Chair for the West Region to join our team. This region includes, Birdsboro, Kutztown, Spring Township Centennial, Conrad Weisder, Fleetwood, Muhlenberg, West Reading-Wyomissing, Hamburg and Reading. Please ask your Club members if they are interested in filling this role. If so, please contact me at [arichter21@comcast.net](mailto:arichter21@comcast.net) or 484.680.1862.

On behalf of the D7430 4Way Speech Committee.

Yours in Rotary service,

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