

The Texas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) is conducting their annual oration contest. This event is open to all students 9th through 12th grades. Guidelines for the contest are as follows:

- Contestant can choose their own subject matter, but topic must be centered on:
  - Pre-Revolutionary war period
  - During the American Revolution
  - Post-Revolutionary war period
- Speech Must be at least 5 minutes and no longer than 6 minutes
- Open to all young men and women entering into 9th through 12th grades

## **CONTEST PHASES**

- Local SAR Chapters may choose to hold a localized event, depending on entries. Local events may be held between August and September, 2017
- A Regional competition will be held in each of the six regions in the state, hosted by a local chapter. This event will be held in September 2017.
- The State Competition for all regional winners will be held in Galveston, Texas on October 14th.
- State winner will attend and give their speech at the Texas Society SAR awards luncheon in Dallas Texas on April 7, 2018. Expenses will be paid for the winner.
- Winner of the State Competition will represent Texas at the National Meeting to be held in Houston in July 2018. Expenses will be paid for the winner.

## **CONTEST AWARDS**

- Regional Winners will receive a medal, and advance to the state contest
- State winners receive:
  - 1st Place \$2,500.00
  - 2nd Place \$750.00
  - 3rd Place \$300.00
  - 4th Place \$200.00
  - 5th and 6th Places \$100.00

First place winner advances to the national contest.

- National winners receive:
  - 1st Place \$5,000.00
  - 2nd Place\$3,000.00
  - 3rd Place \$2,000.00
  - 4th Place through 6th Places receive \$400.00.

## **CONTEST REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION**

Contest Rules and Information

Contestant Application

Parental Consent form (must accompany application)

www.txssar.org/oration.htm

www.txssar.org/pdf/Oration contestant packet.pdf

www.txssar.org/pdf/Permission\_Youth.pdf

## **CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS**

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