# Student Contests 2025

### **REGIONAL ORATORY CONTEST**

Written Copy Due: February 24, 2025 Regional Competition: March 2, 2025

The Citizens Concerned for Human Life Regional Oratory Contest is open to all 9th-12th grade students in **Bedford**, **Blair**, **Cambria**, **Centre**, **Clearfield**, **Fulton**, **Huntingdon**, **Juniata**, **Mifflin** and **Somerset Counties**.

Students must prepare a five to seven minute pro-life talk on abortion, infanticide, euthanasia or embryonic stem cell research. Speeches must be from a pro-life perspec-

tive and delivered as written, but need not be memorized. The student may use a podium and appropriate hand gestures but may not use props. A written copy of the speech must be emailed by February 24, 2025 to: Janet Creighton: janetcreighton3495@gmail.com. In the email, send the following: name, address, city, county, phone, email address, school, grade, name of parent(s)/guardian. Then, text Jan, 814-515-9470, to let her know that you emailed your entry.



#### **Awards**

**Varsity (Grades 11 & 12)** - 1st Place \$200, 2nd \$125, 3rd \$75 **Novice (Grades 9 & 10)** - 1st Place \$150, 2nd \$100, 3rd \$50

All regional contestants may also be a contestant for the state competition. Being a contestant for the regional competition does not automatically enroll you in the state competition.

**Pro-Life Dinner Invite**—All regional contestants will be invited as our guests to the Bedford County Annual Pro-Life Dinner. The top two Varsity contestants will be invited to speak at the dinner.

#### PENNSYLVANIA STATE SPEECH CONTEST

PENNSYLVANIA PRO-LIFE FEDERATION - BE A LIGHT FOR LIFE!
Submit video/written entry by April 18, 2025

Speak Up for Those Who Cannot Speak for Themselves!

The Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation contest is open to high school students. A Junior Division is held for freshmen and sophomores and a Senior Division for juniors and seniors. Students must write and give an original 5-7 minute pro-life speech on abortion, infanticide, assisted suicide, euthanasia or stem cell research. Students must video record the speech and submit the video and written speech to the Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation, lifelines@paprolife.org, by **April 18, 2025.** Cash prizes will be awarded. In addition, the first-place winner of the Senior Division Speech Contest will receive an all-expense-paid trip to attend the National Right to Life Convention in the summer. **For complete contest rules:** www.paprolife.org or call **717-541-0034.** 

## PENNSYLVANIA STATE ESSAY CONTEST

Written Copy Due: March 1, 2025

The **2025 Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation** "Be a **Voice for the Voiceless**" **Essay Contest** is open to PA students in grades 7-12. Students must write a pro-life essay about abortion, infanticide, euthanasia or stem cell research. There is a 500-word limit for essays submitted by students in grades 7-9 and a 750-word limit for students in grades 10-12. Each essay **must** include a cover page downloaded from the Federation



website: www.paprolife.org. Winning essays will receive cash prizes. Deadline for entries is March 1, 2025. Essays can be e-mailed to lifelines@paprolife.org or mailed to the Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation; 4800 Jonestown Rd., Suite 102; Harrisburg, PA 17109. For complete contest rules: www.paprolife.org or call 717-541-0034.

#### **NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE ESSAY CONTEST**

The National RTL Essay Contest is open to students in grades 10-12 (Senior Essay) and grades 7-9 (Junior Essay). Prizes awarded will be: 1st Place-\$400; 2nd-\$300; 3rd-\$200 and will be awarded in each level. Essays shall be 300-500 words in length and answer the question: "Why are you pro-life?" Essays must be mailed (not by email) between December 1, 2024 and January 22, 2025, and be postmarked by January 22. Mail to National Right to Life Essay Contest, 1446 Duke St, Alexandria, VA 22314. For more information on the complete rules, visit the NRLC website at https://nrlc.org/essaycontest/. NRLC also offers Oratory and Video Contests; contact nrlc@nrlc.org or 202.626.8800.