

# 2019 Oratory Contest Sample Letter/E-mail

The following text can be used as a letter or e-mail promoting your contest. Letters and e-mails can be sent to your own membership list, teachers, pastors, youth group leaders and used as messages through social networking profiles. Feel free to edit it as you wish and customize it to the audience receiving it.

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

I am writing to share with you an exciting program we have to reach out to youth in \_\_\_\_\_ County. Every year, \_\_\_\_\_ Right to Life sponsors an oratory contest for high school students. This event involves researching, writing and presenting a speech on abortion, euthanasia, infanticide, stem cell research or cloning. Our contest will be held this year at \_\_\_\_\_.

Students receive several benefits from participating in our oratory contest. In addition to building confidence in their public speaking abilities, students gain experience with critical thinking and constructing persuasive arguments. Most importantly, they learn how to engage others in constructive discussion about life and death issues.

Along with the educational benefits, the top three contest winners receive prizes and our first place winner will advance to the state contest sponsored by Right to Life of Michigan in April. In July, the state winner will compete with elite teens from across the country at the National Right to Life Committee oratory contest in South Carolina.

Please encourage involvement in this wonderful opportunity. After receiving a student's application form, we will contact them to provide contest rules and further details. The materials enclosed will help you promote this event. I am also available to make brief presentations to classrooms, youth groups or any other gathering and would be happy to set up a time to do so. Please contact me at \_\_\_\_\_ if you have questions about our program.

Sincerely,

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\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Right to Life