

ROTARY FOUR WAY SPEECH CONTEST



The test, which has been translated into more than 100 languages, asks the following questions: Of the things we think, say or do...

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

During the fall semester Rotary Club of Carlisle holds the Local Four-Way Test Speech Competition. It is a competition offered to high school students (Grades 10-12) where the student must prepare a **five-to-seven-minute speech** to illustrate the Rotary Four-Way Test.

The prompt for 2024-25 is **How the Four Way Test Can Impact your Everyday Life.**

RULES

- The speech must be between 5 and 7 minutes in length. Even one second out of that range will disqualify the contestant.
- The speech must relate to Rotary's Four Way Test.
- Contestants will be allowed note cards. The speeches do not have to be memorized for the local competition. They should be memorized for the mid-level and district-level competitions.

HOW AM I JUDGED


The student is judged on **Content (50%), Organization (30%), and Delivery (20%)**. The student must follow the Four-Way Test Theme throughout, must relate the speech to his/her own activities, must present a human-interest appeal, and must choose language that is clear, vivid and persuasive. The student must demonstrate organization of thought including an introduction, clear and orderly points and a brief conclusion that drives home the point of application. And finally, the student must be effective in his or her speech delivery including volume, grammar, gestures and attitude toward the audience.

WHEN AND WHERE IS THE LOCAL COMPETITION?

Students will compete at the local level on **Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 3:15 pm** at Carlisle High School's Gerald L Fowler Large Group Instruction (LGI) room.

READY TO GIVE IT A TRY?

Interested students should complete the attached form and submit it to Mr. Wagner in McGowan or to wagnerk@carliseschools.org no later than **Friday, November 1, 2024**. This simply alerts the Rotary members to the number of students participating.

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say, or do

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships.

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?