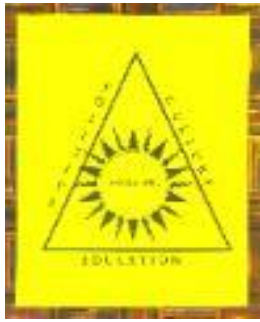


REGISTRATION FORM



**African-American/Caribbean Education Association Inc.
(AACEAINC)**
-Presents-
Its Inaugural
Oratory and Debate Competition Part I
Saturday, August 3, 2019 • 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM
St. Matthews Community A.M.E. Church of Hollis
Fellowship Hall • 203-11 Hollis Avenue
Hollis, New York 11412

Student's Full Name
(Print Clearly)

First _____ M.I. ____ Last _____ Age: _____

***Updated information about you. Please state as accurately as possible how the following applies to you.**

I am in or have just completed the _____ grade: (applicable to you) 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and I attended the _____ school, in the City/Town/ or Borough of _____, in the State of _____.

In the Fall of this year, September 2019, I will be going into the _____ grade: (applicable to you) 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th, and I will attend the _____ school in the City/Town/ or Borough of _____, in the State of _____. [This may be the same school going into the next grade]

***How did you hear about this competition?**

I heard about this competition from my: School, Church, Friend, Relative or Other:

Name of School/Church/Friend/ or Relative:

If Other, please explain here: _____

Address--with apartment number, if applicable, and zip code

_____ Apt. # _____ Zip Code _____

E-mail: _____ **Home Tel:** _____

Cell: _____ **Emergency Contact: Name and Cell #** _____

FULL Name of Parent or Guardian that gives permission to enter this competition

First _____ Last _____

***Please check if Parent Address is different from student:** _____ Yes _____ No **If yes, please provide here.**

Address: _____ **Zip Code** _____

E-mail: _____ **Home Tel:** _____ **Cell:** _____

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Oratory and Debate Competition Part I – “Original Oratory”

Part I - Original Oratory. Entrant will research, write and memorize speech. (See Announcement on P. 8).

Awards

First, Second, and Third Place Trophies will be awarded to Oratory winners and ALL participants will receive a Certificate of Participation. (See Announcement on P. 8 for more details).

Food Not Included

Participants should bring a light snack. Bottled water will be on hand for everyone.

Topic Areas for the Original Oratory Competition

Entrants may not select a topic of their own choosing. All Topics for competition appear on pages 4-6 of this Registration Form. Entrants may select any one of the given topics on pages 4-6.

1. How to Prepare
 - Select original oratory topic from one of those appearing on pages 4-6
 - Develop your thesis based on facts and the data you have found in your research
 - Write the essence of your speech making sure to have a captivating introduction
 - Memorize and practice the execution of your speech
 - Review the tips and links at the AACEAINC website that has helpful preparation information
2. Rules of this Competition
 - Read the Announcement with policy and requirements on page 8
 - Speech must be memorized
 - Speech cannot be longer than five (5) minutes in length
 - Speeches may have no more than 150 words quoted
 - Your topic must be declared no later than Saturday, June 22, 2019. It does not have to be submitted with this Registration Form and Registration Fee. (See Announcement for more details on P.8.)
 - Speech must be submitted two weeks prior to competition on Saturday, July 20, 2019
 - Disclaimer and Consent appearing in this form must be signed by parent or guardian

Space is Limited:

Interested parties should heed the following dates to secure a place in the competition. All Registration Forms will be received and accommodated on a “First Come, First Served basis.” A Wait List will be put in place should spaces fill quickly, and updates will be posted at the AACEAINC website, www.aaceainc.com.

The following are the dates to submit Registration Form and Registration Fee. For each, you may submit on or before the given date; however, please be aware space may fill quickly and the later dates may or may not be available.

- **First Call to submit this Registration Form: On or before Monday, May 20th, 2019. [Recommended]**
- **Second Call to submit this Registration Form: On or before Friday, May 31st, 2019. [Dependent on Opening]**
- **Third and Last Call to submit this Registration Form: On or before Saturday, June 8th, 2019. {Dependent on Opening}**

Spectators:

Space is limited and there are no guarantees of admission. If tickets are provided, that information will not be known until after June 8th. Therefore, it is strongly suggested to indicate, here, your interest in attending this event. Parents and Guardians will be accommodated on a First Come, First Served basis for admission.

Please check:

_____ Yes, I am interested in attending competition for just myself.

_____ Yes, I am interested in attending competition for me and a guest (s) and understand that due to limited space, my request for me and another may not be possible. Number please: _____

_____ No, I am unable to attend competition.

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Competition Costs:

1. Registration fee per Entrant: \$ 40

The fee will be accepted once Registration Form is reviewed and cleared. Entrant will be contacted via the email provided in this form to confirm receipt and to resolve any concerns found. Registered entrants that wish to cancel will receive a refund, if their place in the competition can be replaced by a Wait List applicant. If no replacement is available, registration fee will be non-refundable.

2. Spectator entrance fee: \$20

There are no guarantees of admission. After June 8th, parents and guardians that have indicated their interest in attending, will be contacted at the email address provided in this form. Accommodations will be provided on a First Come, First Served basis. Entrants participating in competition are excluded from entrance fee.

Payment and Mailing:

1. Make check payable to: AACEAINC
2. Mail this entire Registration Form and Registration Fee to:
AACEAINC
Attn: Oratory Competition
P.O. Box 1224
Valley Stream, NY 11582-1224

*The Topic Declaration form does not have to be submitted until Saturday, June 22nd. (See form on page 7)

Consent and Disclaimer: The event will last from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM

Disclaimer: This is an opportunity for your child to engage in a scholarly and academic undertaking; we look forward to your child's participation and believe it will be a wonderful learning experience that will enhance his/her literacy and communication skills. Please be advised that your child is responsible for his or her transportation and should include a snack. We expect your child to exemplify good manners, leadership and responsibility. We assume no liability during this event and advise that you make arrangements for your child's safe arrival to the site and departure home. Furthermore, you have read the Announcement containing the policy; and understand that a refund can only be provided if we have a replacement from the competition's Wait List. Otherwise, Registration Fee will be non-refundable. *All entrants are to have the consent signed by parent or guardian including 18 year old entrants, unless legally emancipated. (In New York State, the age of majority is 21 years of age, unless emancipated).*

Consent:

_____ YES. I give permission for my child to participate in Oratory event on Saturday, August 3, 2019 and consent to the Disclaimer. (Parent/Guardian signed consent is required for participation)

Signature: _____ Date _____
Parent or Guardian (circle one)

Print Full Name: _____

-----Consent for AACEAINC Website -----

At the event, First, Second, and Third Place trophy winners, and all participants (certificate holders) will be photographed. We request your signed permission to post your child's photograph (and yours as well if applicable) at the AACEAINC website.

_____ Yes, I give permission to post photograph at AACEAINC website:

Signature: _____ Date _____
Parent or Guardian (circle one)

Print Full Name: _____

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Topics
for
Original Oratory Competition



Directions: The following are the topics that each entrant, competing in the Original Oratory Competition is to select their chosen topic. Once the topic is selected, this is the topic that entrant will use to write speech. Each topic provides an introductory statement to the topic. Read the introductory statement carefully. The statement provides a background into the topic. The topic that is to be written for speech, follows with the word “Topic” and underlined (Topic). There are eleven topics, only one (1) topic is to be selected for entrant’s written speech.

The Topic Declaration on page 7 is to be submitted on or before June 22nd.

1. Yellow Journal

Journalism can affect society positively or negatively. One aspect of journalism is Yellow Journalism, which is a dynamic that can impact society greatly. In the following topic you are to define “Yellow Journalism”, as well as, state your case for or against it and why.

Topic:

Yellow Journalism can have a "Pro" or "Con" effect on society. From your perspective how can it help or hurt us in our daily lives?

2. Animal Testing

Animal testing has produced the development of many lifesaving medicines and consumer products. However, there are mixed arguments on the use of animal testing to accomplish this objective.

Topic:

Should animals be used to test for new innovative medicines and safe consumer products?

3 Social Networking

Today, we live in a world where social networking has changed the way we think, communicate, exercise business undertakings, get our news, and more; not to mention the issue of privacy.

Topic:

What is the impact of social networking in our daily lives coupled with the advantages, disadvantages, and privacy concerns?

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4. Genetically Engineered Food

Genetically engineered foods have been approved by our nation’s U.S. Food and Drug Administration; however, there are real concerns about the safety of eating them.

Topic:

From your perspective, state why consumers should have the right to know if the food they are buying, and eating is genetically engineered.

5. Robotics

Robotics technology encompasses the design, construction, operation, and use of robots and computer systems. The ultimate purpose of these technologies is to substitute for humans and replicate human actions.

Topic:

In your view, why is there a compelling need for Robotics in the 21st Century, especially, in situations that enhance medicine and relieve situations that would be dangerous to humans?

6. STEM and Minorities

STEM Education is the interdisciplinary concentration of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. An ever alarming and disheartening fact, in America today, with the exception of the Asian male demographic, is the underrepresentation of minorities in STEM.

Topic:

Can this truth be corrected? What does the data suggest and what would you propose to remedy this situation?

7. Designer Babies

On August 29, 2000, the first designer baby, a human embryo that has been genetically modified to produce certain desirable traits, was conceived. The practice continues.

Topic:

As you can imagine, praise, criticism, and ethical concerns abound in the debate over designer babies. What stance do you take in this conversation, and why?

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8. Antibiotics and Medicine

In the 1940s, antibiotics came on the scene saving many lives and curing society from debilitating illnesses. For decades, medicine has utilized antibiotics with confidence; whereas today, bacteria are becoming more resistant to traditional antibiotics, making medical doctors less confident. In the following topic state why.

Topic:

Modern medicine’s use of antibiotics is in imminent danger and – “Must confront the present crisis of antibiotic resistance.”

9. Reading and Video Games

With respect to acquiring reading skills, research from credible sources has shown that the playing of video games can actually have health benefits. Dyslexia has been cited as a primary example. In the following topic, state the significance of its effects on both the brain and body.

Topic: What is the research telling us about reading skills and video games that can facilitate successful educational outcomes?

10. Transgender Athletes

The participation of transgender athletes in competitive sports is a highly controversial issue and of great concern to female athletes that compete in a plethora of various sports throughout the world. In the following topic, provide both sides of the argument and state, from your perspective what you believe to be a fair approach to handling the situation.

Topic:

In the era of equality, what are the concerns and issues that must be addressed to “Fairly” handle transgender athletes in competitive sports?

11. Saving the Planet

Earth Day is celebrated every April in more than 193 countries. It is a day held to focus on and promote environmental awareness that emphatically calls for the protection of our planet.

Topic:

You have been given the power and authority to save our planet, what policies, measures and so on, will you implement to protect Earth?

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Declaration of Topic for Oratory Competition

Deadline: Due on or before Saturday, June 22nd

Date: _____

Full Name: _____ Grade in the Fall 2019: _____

I have selected the following topic. Circle the number of topic, then sign and check where appropriate.

<u>Topic Number-circle ○</u>	<u>Sign your Name</u>	<u>Check √</u>
1. Yellow Journalism	_____	_____
2. Animal Testing	_____	_____
3. Social Networking	_____	_____
4. Genetically Engineered Food	_____	_____
5. Robotics	_____	_____
6. STEM & Minorities	_____	_____
7. Designer Babies	_____	_____
8. Antibiotics and Medicine	_____	_____
9. Reading and Video Games	_____	_____
10. Transgender Athletes	_____	_____
11. Saving the Planet	_____	_____

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Proudly Announces Its Inaugural

Oratory and Debate Competition Series 2019-2020

The Oratory and Debate Competition Series is an academic and scholarly undertaking designed to give a platform to African-American, Caribbean, and other interested students, the opportunity to exercise communication skills in speech and debate, where Speech and Debate Teams do not exist in their neighborhood school or where the opportunity can exist to enhance and augment the speech and debate experience. Young people partaking of the competition will be presented with challenging topics that align with AACEAINC's Collins, Samber, and Washington scholarships in the areas of Medicine, Math and Science, and English Language Arts.

About the Series

The series will allow entrants to engage in an "Academic" activity that encompasses doing research, gathering thoughts, and having the opportunity to organize, deliver and execute those thoughts in a scholarly, oratory format. The Series will be divided into two parts:

1. Part I- Original Oratory on Saturday, August 3, 2019
2. Part II- Debate on a date TBA in the Fall 2019

Part I will focus on Original Oratory, which is a memorized, persuasive speech. The Orator has the unique and awesome job of addressing an audience utilizing his or her communication skills in an attempt to convince, inspire, stimulate thinking, and/or move a listener to action and/or broaden a listener about a perspective.

Part II will focus on Debate advancing the conversation. Entrants will work in teams performing, proactively, to demonstrate their prowess in communicating shared and differing viewpoints, which will hopefully allow greater appreciation of different and diverse perspectives.

Eligibility:

Students going into the following grades as of the **Fall, September 2019** may enter the competition.

Grades: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 (4th grader going into 5th grade, and 11th grader going into 12th grade are eligible)

All topics for the Original Oratory and Debate shall be provided in the Registration Form and all entrants will select from any one of the given topics. For this competition, entrants may not select a topic of their choosing. There will be a deadline date by which your chosen topic is to be declared, no later than June 22nd, and a date that all Original Oratory speeches are to be submitted, two weeks prior to the day of competition, July 20th.

Registration Fee: \$40 –registered entrants that wish to cancel will receive a refund, if their place in the competition can be replaced by a Wait List applicant. If no replacement is available, registration fee will not be refunded.

Spectators: Space is limited and there are no guarantees of admission. If tickets are provided, that information will not be known until after June 8th. At time of registering it is suggested that parents/guardians provide interest in attending this event where stated, and can be found on the Registration Form. Spectator: Served on a First Come, First Served basis with a **\$20 entrance fee**.

Food Not Included

This is an academic endeavor that will not provide food. Hence, participants are advised to bring a light snack. Bottled water will be on hand for everyone, but food will not be served at this event.

Awards:

First, Second, and Third Place Trophies

A trophy will be awarded to entrants that finish in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for their Division: Grades 5-8, and Grades 9-12.

All entrants will receive a Certificate of Participation Award.

How to Apply:

All entrants should read this Announcement and the entire Registration Form carefully to ensure an understanding of what is required to compete. You will then need to:

1. Download Registration Form from website
2. Complete Registration Form
3. Mail Registration Form and Registration Fee by:
 - The First Call Submit Date May 20, 2019 (Recommended) or by
 - The Second or Third Call Submit Dates May 31st and June 8th, respectively. (Space may or may not be available)
4. Follow the directions specifically outlined in the Registration Form.
5. Email to us the topic you have chosen from the given list of topics, on or before Saturday, June 22nd.
6. Email to us a copy of your written speech, completely finished, on or before Saturday, July 20th, two weeks prior to competition.

Contact Information: Questions and/or concerns may be directed to us via our office telephone number or email address.

Website: www.aaceainc.com ■ **E-Mail:** aaceainc@yahoo.com

Telephone: 718-949-6733 (Listed in Queens directory of New York City)

Mailing: AACEAINC—Attn: Oratory Competition, P. O. Box 1224, Valley Stream, NY 11582-1224