



Contest Guidelines

Participants:

Grades 9-12 are eligible to participate in both the local and state contests.
Only students in grades 11-12 are eligible to advance to the National Level, per NRLC guidelines.

Speeches:

- Contestants are to research, write and present an original pro-life speech on abortion, infanticide, euthanasia, or stem cell research.
- Props should not be used in the presentation.
- Speeches are to be 5-7 minutes in length. *Disqualification will occur if the speech is under 4 or over 8 minutes at the state and national level of contest.*
- When statistics are used it should be the most current information available.
- Contestants are encouraged to memorize their speeches at the local level; however, speeches are required to be memorized for both the State and National levels.
- Contestants are required to participate in their own county contest unless there is not an active chapter in that county. In such a case, the student may participate in the closest county's contest.

	<u>State</u>	<u>National</u>
First	\$750 Cash Award Paid Expenses to National Contest \$2000 Scholarship for Aquinas College*	\$1,000
Second	\$500 Cash Award \$1500 Scholarship for Aquinas College*	\$750
Third	\$300 Cash Award \$1000 Scholarship for Aquinas College*	\$500
Fourth	\$200 Cash Award \$500 Scholarship for Aquinas College*	\$250

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