

SPECIAL THANKS



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Eighth Annual Public Speaking Competition

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Cartersville



EVENT SCHEDULE

- 11:15 - Information Desk & Hospitality Room (164) Open
- 12:15 - Primary Round begins (*be in your room by 12:10*)
- 1:25 - Competitors Group Photo in room 160
- 1:40 - Semifinalists announced in room 160
- 2:00 - Semifinal Round begins (*be in your room by 1:55*)
- 3:05 - Semifinalists Group Photo in room 160
- 3:15 - Finalists announced in room 160
- 3:30 - Final Round begins (*be in room 160 by 3:25*)
- 4:15 - Special Prize winners announced in room 160
- 4:25 - Finalist Awards presented in room 160

Please do not enter rounds late, particularly during a speech. There are sign-in sheets in each room each round.

Smith Burks	Room 122	Trevor Gonzales (F) Refs are People, Too Evan Shadix (D) The Environmental Protection Agency Oskar Arnold (C) How to Help the Poor Karishma Patel (C) The Myanmar Genocide Molly Belcher (C) Get Your Eyes Checked Annually Kara Davis (C) Pit Bull Aggression Samantha Battle (C) Does High School Prepare You? Deja Davis (D) Banning Commercial Testing on Animals Noah Little (C) Salute the Flag to Show Respect
Petro Jeff Kozeo	Room 124	Timothy Booker (F) Beneficial Aspects of Marijuana Haley Rutledge (C) Adopt, Not Shop! Makenzie VanderHorst (C) Don't Ignore Life Skill Classes Logan Maddox (F) Classifying Public/Private Athletics Cassandra LaBeause (F) A Safe School is a Hardened School Bianca Sanchez (C) Birth Control Alexis Beard (F) Reasons Why Everyone Should be Active Alexis Garmon (F) Insulin Shots vs. Insulin Pumps Brandi Ingram (C) The Importance of a Good Credit Score
Howard Gargis	Room 135	D'Andre Bernard (F) Why it is Hard to be a Student Athlete Emma McDonald (C) Animal Sports Should be Banned Javier Camacho (F) Rehab vs. Prison Maria DeBlasio (M) Not All Heroes Wear Capes Shae Linton Brown (F) Starting From the Bottom Drew Wilson (C) Should College Tuition be Lowered? Shay Sullins (C) Assisted Suicide Should be Legalized Madeline Miranda (C) The Science Behind Motivation Shannon Francis (F) Going Offline
Julie Kozeo Dutch	Room 166	Reene Cardona (F) Easier Path to Citizenship Cameron Hearn (C) Why College Athletes Should be Paid Arturo Abarca (D) Police Brutality Sydney McDonald (C) Same Sex Marriage is a Good Thing Darryl Davis (D) Legalize Gambling in Georgia Hisham Maarouf (C) Texting and Driving is Dangerous Avery Dumas (D) Effect of Summer Camp Sandro Noel (F) Gun Violence Alexus Smith (D) Raising the Minimum Wage
Largin Garcia	Room 211	Rebeca Parada (C) Puerto Rico: No Electricity since Maria Shelby Meatyard (C) Equal Rights for Women Chelsea Exume (D) DACA and Immigration Ashton Smith (D) Organ Donation After Death Skylar Smith (C) Student Athletes Deserve It Katherine Kobito (M) To Read or Not to Read Isabella Patterson (D) Planned Parenthood Joseph McDaniel (F) The LOTR Trilogy is Perfect Cindy Ncwaba (D) Give Immigrants In-State Tuition

Please be respectful of the library and study area on the 2nd floor. In between rounds, the best place to wait for updates is in 160.

Vincent Simpson	Room 232	Lexi Folsom (F) Adopting Instead of Buying a Pet CJ Obermeyer (D) A Safer Education Kendall Fuller (C) Voice for Vaccination Bryan Grant (C) Death of Newspapers Hannah Keown (P) Wear a Helmet on an ATV Rahmeer Smith (D) Supporting Abortion Access Jacob Faile (C) Life's Immeasurable Value Gavin Smith (F) Exercise William Evans (P) Feminism: Diversity. Equality. Unity.
Kwist MacMurdo	Room 239	Monize Serra (M) Equal Rights for Men & Women Michael Scott (F) College Athletes Deserve to be Paid Dawson Parkhill (D) Gambling in Georgia Shayla Neufeld (M) HDHPs are Not Good for Americans Kindell Reeves (C) Animals in Captivity Ivana Motes (C) The Needed Regulations of the FDA Anna Lambert (D) Govt. Funding of Planned Parenthood Jose Fortanel (F) The Mind's Eye Chase Faircloth (D) Gambling in Georgia
Gandolfi Henderson	Room 321	Matt Bridges (P) Testing to Fail Kyle Rowe (C) "Post Malone" is the Most Talented Artist Alex Richardson (C) Concealed Carry at 18 Emorie Bonner (D) Prison Reform Riley Rule (C) Extracurricular Activities ARE Important! Eric Martin (D) Let's Legalize It! Donovan Kinsella (F) Using Phones While Driving Maria Acosta-Lopez (M) DACA Wins Ally Carter (P) Owners on a Leash
Pergem Reidy	Room 322	Gage Coffia (F) The Conundrum of Education MacKenzie Paye (C) Benefits of a Whole Food Diet Cassandra Green-Cesar (D) Phone Use While Driving La-Tavia Matthews (D) Food Stamps vs. Food Box Britney Saunders (F) Income from Network Marketing Angel Robbins (D) True Colors of Civil Disobedience Jillian Fields (C) Fighting for Animal Rights Alex Murray (D) Raising the Faithful: Impressionable Minds Elijah Glick (F) The Standardized Problem
Watjen Ginn	Room 324	Alexander Armstrong (D) Video Games are Better than TV Kaylen Brown (F) College Athletes Paid for Performance Stephanie Jordan-Cain (C) Learn Another Language Mya Adams (C) People Should Not Drink and Drive Nick Dassow (D) Wages Impact on Individuals PJ Broome (F) Benefits of Participating in Martial Arts Andrew Fox (D) Background Checks as Gun Control Joshua Mabry (F) Too Much Time on Devices is Harmful Sally Fairbank (C) Children and Team Sports