

*Ralph D. Vines, II*  
*Public Speaking Contest*



*An Afternoon*  
*With The Contestants*

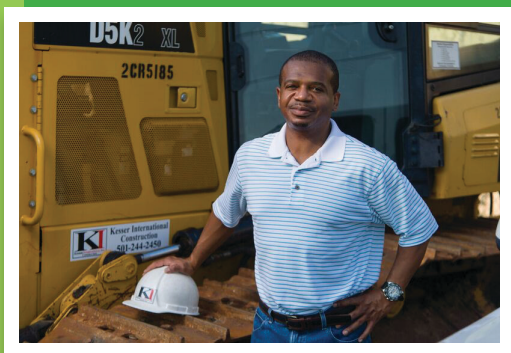
**Sunday, April 7, 2019**  
**2:00 PM**

**Rockefeller**  
**Republican Center**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

Let thy speech be better than silence, or be silent.  
Author: Dionysius Of Halicarnassus

April 7, 2019

Greetings!



The Ralph D. Vines, II Public Speaking Committee proudly welcomes you to the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Ralph D. Vines, II Public Speaking Contest. We are committed to fostering learning through public speaking.

As you will see in today's presentations, our contestants have accepted the challenge, explored unique topics chosen and written by them and are eager to speak in front of this audience. Your active involvement ensures that the Ralph D. Vines, II Public Speaking Contest remains a dynamic learning experience.

Always,

*Ralph D. Vines, II*

Ralph D. Vines, II



**STATE OF ARKANSAS**  
**ASA HUTCHINSON**  
**GOVERNOR**

April 7, 2019

As Governor, I am pleased to welcome all those gathered for the tenth annual Ralph Vines, II Public Speaking Contest. This competition, open to Arkansas students ages nine to nineteen, is a wonderful opportunity to showcase the skills you have honed through hard work and dedication. The ability to communicate effectively, clearly, and concisely is a powerful and important talent that builds confidence and can inspire others.

It is an honor to take part in this competition, and I congratulate each of you for your commitment and perseverance. I wish you well as you compete for the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Grand Prize, and I urge you to make the most of this experience and to create memories that will last for years to come.

On behalf of the State of Arkansas, best wishes for an exciting and enjoyable competition and continued success in each of your future endeavors.

Sincerely,  
  
Asa Hutchinson

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

April 7, 2019

Dear Participants,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 10th Annual Ralph Vines Public Speaking Contest.

Although I can't be there in person today, please know that I am very proud of each student participating in this competition. Your hard work to get to this point is an inspiration to your peers across the state.

This competition is a great showcase for your talents. I hope you will continue to cultivate the skills you have gained in preparation for this contest so that you may better serve your communities and our great state.

I would also like to thank all of the volunteers and others who have worked especially hard to make this event possible. I am grateful for their commitment to creating opportunities for young people.

Good luck to all of the participants. You are great representatives of Arkansas.

Sincerely,



John Boozman  
U.S. Senator

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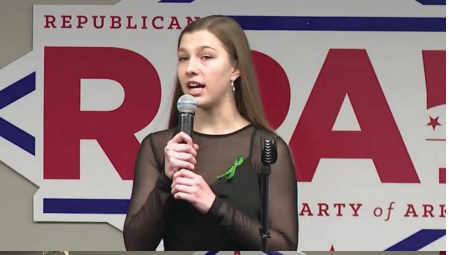
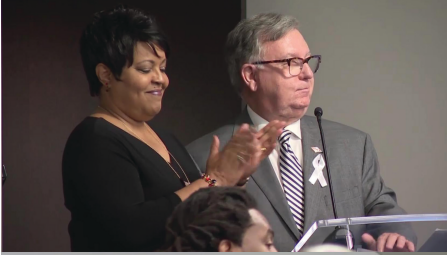
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VETERANS' AFFAIRS

BUDGET



# *Programme*

*Mistress of Order.....Pamela Smith*

*Presentation Colors.....Parkview High School, JROTC*

*Introduction of Scholarship.....Dr. Addie Morris*

*Timekeeping Instructions..... Crystal Lewis*

*Speakers Showcase*

## **Ages 9–12 years – 2 Minutes**

Christopher Brandyn

Victory Coates

Alli Hunt-Clark

Jamyah Everett

Chloe Farrar

Joi Briana Geter

Ethan Gong

Yassin Bahgat

Norah Vinson

## **Ages 9–12 years – 2 Minutes**

Megan McKinney

Alonzo Montgomery, Jr.

Trey Norman

Kayden Rucker

Eric Tang

Ethan Tyler

Camila Velasquez

Arianna Williams

Nikhil Dogra

Kendall Redding

## Ages 13-16 years - 2.5 Minutes

Paulette Brown  
Reese Conners  
Xavier Carpenter  
Jude Crosswell  
Michelle Gong

Jade Buchanan  
Dominic Diamond  
Janiya Carter  
Neil Dogra

## Ages 13-16 years - 2.5 Minutes

Millie Ketcher  
Dylan Patel  
Antonia Guajardo  
Brianna Stewart  
Emilee Webb

Darnell McCray  
Katie Jaros  
Kilik Kaufmann  
Jessica Todd

## Ages 17-19 years - 3 Minutes

Michael Canady  
Adaja Cooper  
Hannah Taylor

Jamee McAdoo  
Chisomnazu Oguh

## Presentation of Winners

Ralph D. Vines, II  
Pam Smith

## GRAND PRIZE PRESENTATION

Lisenne Rockefeller

Closing Remarks  
Doyle Webb

# ***JUDGES -***

Erma Bailey  
Arlene Behmer  
Sharon Brooks  
Cassandra Cannon  
Lady Stacy Curtis  
Senator Jane English  
Nallivi Favela  
Miguel Fuentevilla  
Rev. William Givens  
Col Klaus Koch  
Jason McGhee  
Dr. Nicholas Murray  
Dr. Jennifer Parks  
Alan Rogers  
Dr. Patrick Tran  
Honorable Judge Barbara Webb

Rep. Rick Beck  
Attorney Kandice Bell  
Jessica Blair  
Noemi Cash  
Earnest Duckery  
Lady Elizabeth Eskew  
Blake Fletcher  
Jonelle Fulmer  
Antonio Jeromino  
Claudia Lackie  
Darren Morgan  
John Nabholz  
Lillian Porch  
Mayor Frank Scott, Jr.  
Ron VanHooks  
Dr. Sam Wherry

## **TOASTMASTERS...**

***Crystal Lewis, Official Toastmaster Timer***

Tom Hopkins  
Lisa Jones  
Rev. Barbara Latoison  
Craig Nunemaker  
Dewayne Wright



# Acknowledgement

*-We are humbled and ever grateful for your kindness, cooperation, and encouragement which helps make this contest possible.*

Ralph D. Vines, II

Dr. Addie Morris

## **Host & Hostess**

Anneliese Armstrong

Shelia Beck

Sandra Carmona

Anna Giusfria

Connie Hampton

Mary Lackie

Cyril Morris

Teresa L. Ochs

Carrié Sadler

Carlotta Sadler

Top Ladies of Distinction

Barbara Wait

Dorothy Wherry

Ateca Foreman

## **School Host & Hostess**

David O'Dodd Elementary School

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Cloverdale Middle School

## **CONTEST TABULATOR**

Shelly Cheatham-Buck, CPA

# RALPH D. VINES, II

## PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

***Mission:*** *to pursue, foster and support personal development of young people through public speaking.*

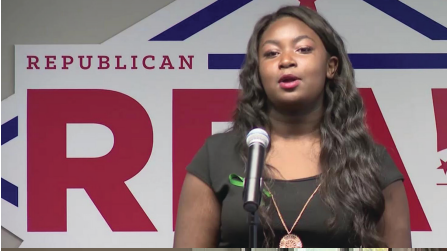
### **Ages 9-19**

<b>Age</b>	<b>Maximum Speech Time</b>
9-12	2.0 Minutes
13-16	2.5 Minutes
17-19	3.0 Minutes

### **Prizes:**

<b><i>5 First Place Winners</i></b>	<b><i>\$250</i></b>
<b><i>5 Second Place Winners</i></b>	<b><i>\$150</i></b>
<b><i>5 Third Places Winners</i></b>	<b><i>\$100</i></b>
<b><i>Win P Rockefeller Grand Prize</i></b>	<b><i>\$500</i></b>
<b><i>All contestants</i></b>	<b><i>\$50</i></b>

***“Speech is power: speech is to persuade, to convert, to compel.” -Ralph Waldo Emerson***





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