

Regulations of the District Competition "The 11th International Speaking Contest"



1. General provisions

The district contest "The International Speaking Contest" is organized by The International School based in Warsaw at Jagielska St. 2, hereinafter referred to as the Organizer.

The Organizer is an administrator of personal data processed in the contest. Personal data processed during the contest may be made available in paper and electronic form.

2. Objectives of the contest

The primary objective of the contest is to develop motivation of participants to learn English and to familiarize themselves with the formula of proper self-presentation.

Specific objectives include:

- 1) identify and improve linguistic competences and vocabulary of primary schools students;
- 2) acquaint the students with self-presentations and public speeches;
- 3) discover and promote talents of students;
- 4) stimulate creative activities;
- 5) practice and improve verbal skills and reciting abilities;
- 6) inspire young people to participate in culture actively;
- 7) develop expression and expand aesthetic sensitivity;
- 8) improve ability to focus attention and remember particular contents;
- 9) improve ability to remind necessary contents at any given moment;
- 10) integrate children from different schools and educational institutions.

3. Rules for participation in the contest

- 1) The Contest is for the students of grades I-VIII of primary schools in Warsaw district which implement English language programs as an integral part of the curriculum and the number of English classes exceeds the number of hours specified in the core curriculum.
- 2) In the finales the school shall be represented by:
 - age category grades 1-3 – one representative;
 - age category grades 4-6 – one representative;
 - age category grades 7-8 – maximum two representatives: individuals or groups (2-5 students).

- 3) Representatives of schools shall be under the supervision of their teachers.
- 4) A completed registration process determines participation in the Contest.

4. Registration

In order to register school for the contest, complete the School Registration Form and send it to the email address: sekretariat@internationalschool.pl by **April 22, 2025**.

Student Registration Cards shall be also completed by **April 22, 2025**, and sent to email address: sekretariat@internationalschool.pl. Registration requirements apply to students who have been chosen by English language teachers during internal eliminations. If a Student Registration Card is not submitted by the deadline, it is tantamount to the school's resignation from participation in the Contest.

After completion of the registration process, the schools receive a detailed schedule of the contest which is sent to email addresses indicated in the registration form.

5. Age categories:

- *Grades I-III* – students prepare an individual presentation in the form of a story, preferably an original composition. *Grade 1 students* are allowed to retell the story (fairy tales, short stories).
- *Grades IV-VI* – students prepare an individual presentation in the form of an informative speech on a chosen topic, e.g. scientific facts, biographies, trivia (giving reasons for the choice of topic) etc.
- *Grades VII-VIII* – students, individually or in groups of maximum five, prepare a performance or show on the chosen topic, such as: scientific facts, trivia, biographies of idols.

Media and props may be allowed.

The subject of the presentation must be approved by an English teacher who teaches the candidate. Presentation shall last max. 5 min.

The props, notes and multimedia presentations are allowed but they cannot be read in full by the participant of the competition.

The finals of the Contest is scheduled for **May 8, 2025**, at The International School in Warsaw, Jagielska Street 2.

This stage is opened for the representatives of schools registered to the contest. Participants are assessed by the Jury selected by the Organizer.

Jury chooses the winners of each age category. The participants who take the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place are awarded certificates and prizes.

The order of presentations is determined by the organizer.

6. Assessment of presentation

The following aspects are subject to assessment:

1. Language: the level, vocabulary, grammar;
2. Consistency, fluency and pace of speech;
3. The overall artistic expression, the use of props and multimedia presentations;
4. The choice of topic and compliance with the topic;.

7. English Teachers' Role:

- ✓ to help students choose the topic of their presentation;
- ✓ to help students prepare for their presentations;
- ✓ to choose school representative/representatives.

More information about the contest will be available on the school website:

www.szkolamiedzynarodowa.pl

The patronage of this undertaking by the Mazovian Superintendent of Education does not mean that the undertaking is included in the list of knowledge, artistic and sports competitions organized by the Head of the Regional Education Authority or other entities operating on the premises of the school, which may be listed on the school leaving certificate.