

Speech Contest 2022

- How Can Kindness Reunite Our Country? (Lions Club Contest)
- What Is the Most Needed Amendment to Our Constitution?
- Should All New Cars Be Electric?

Speech Outline: Friday 1/7

Speech (first draft): Wednesday 1/12

Speech (second draft): Thursday 1/13 (due by the end of the per.) (Eng 9: 1/14)

Speech (final draft): Thursday 1/20 (beginning of the period)

First page memorized: Tuesday 1/25

First half memorized (or first 2 pages): Thurs 1/27 & Friday 1/28

Whole speech memorized: Monday 1/31 - Wednesday 2/2

School Wide Speeches: Thursday 2/3 (Remember to wear something nice for your speech)

LVHS Speech Contest: Monday 2/7 (6:30 pm)

Lions Club Speech Contest: Wednesday 2/9 at 11:45 at the Mammoth Community Center

Articles

Should All New Cars Be Electric?

- [Pros and Cons of Electric Cars](#)
- *New York Times:* [How Green Are Electric Vehicles?](#)
- *Wall Street Journal:* [Are Electric Cars Really Better for the Environment?](#)
- [Into the Future With Ford: Say Goodbye to Gas](#)
- [California Phases out Gas Powered Cars](#)
- Governor signs bill eliminating gas powered vehicles: [NPR](#)
- [Lithium Mine Controversy](#): NPR
- [Battery life issues](#)
- [5 minute charging](#)
- [Solid State Batteries](#)
- [7.5 billion in infrastructure bill for charging stations, 3 billion for battery research](#): NPR
- [Future of Gas Stations](#)
- [Gas sales will decline](#)
- California's energy is [83% renewable](#): *Los Angeles Times*, [100% clean energy by 2035](#): California Senate Bill
- [GM all electric by 2035](#)
- [Ford all in on electric](#)

- [600 mile range in new Mercedes Prototype](#)

What Is the Most Needed Amendment to Our Constitution?

- [Amendments to the Constitution](#) (scroll up to find an introduction to the Constitution)
- Abolish the Electoral College
 - [Outgrowing the Electoral College: Purdue University](#)
- Equal Rights Amendment
 - [NPR](#)
 - [League of Women Voters](#)
- Immigration Amendment
 - [The Atlantic](#)
 - [Myths about Immigration Busted](#)
 - [Pathway to Citizenship](#)
 - [DACA: Dream Act Amendment](#)
- Anti-Racism Amendment
 - [Kendi](#)
- Balanced Budget Amendment
 - [Balanced Budget and Term Limits](#)
- Term Limit Amendment
 - [Senator Ted Cruz](#)
- Flat Tax Amendment
 - [Flat Tax](#)

How Can Kindness Reunite Our Country?

- Using kindness to repair the nation: [Tikkun Olam](#)
- Healing the Nation: [Time Magazine](#)
- 4 Ways You Can Help the Nation: [Forbes Magazine](#)
- Healing the Political Divide: [American Psychological Association](#)
- Can Americans Find a Way to Heal Their Divides?: [NPR](#)
- [Love Your Enemies: New York Times](#)
- [The Art of Kindness: Mayo Clinic](#)
- Political Divide: [Pew Research](#)
- [How Acts of Kindness Can Help You](#)
- [Overarching views about digital spaces: Pew Research](#)
- [More in Common Than We Think: The Hill](#)
- [More in Common Than We Think: Boston Globe](#)
- Bipartisan Support for Rights: [Harvard Kennedy School](#)
- [Seeing from another's perspective creates empathy: Psychology Today](#)
- [Symbol of the Statue of Liberty](#)
- [A Quilt of a Country](#)

Brainstorming Ideas

Should All New Cars Be Electric?

- 2035 California will only sell electric vehicles
- Pros and cons of electric cars
- Cons: limited range, price, infrastructure
- Pros: environment, less maintenance, acceleration

What Is the Most Needed Amendment to Our Constitution?

- Voting Rights
- Electoral College Amendment
- Mandatory Voting
- Anti-discrimination
- Immigration
- Equal Rights Amendment
- Balanced Budget Amendment
- Term Limits Amendment
- Abolish the income tax
- Flat tax
- Second Amendment: stronger or abolish
- Death penalty
- Abortion
- Animal Rights
- Climate Change Amendment
- Free College
- Free Universal Health Care
- Guaranteed rights for LGBTQ+ Community (could be part of ERA)
- Social Security, Life Insurance, Medical Care for older people

How Can Kindness Reunite Our Country?

- Learn to stand in someone else's shoes
- Don't be prejudiced (against race, social class, sexual orientation, gender identity)
- Compromise
- Doing things for the good of the country not just for ourselves
- Be an anti-racist
- Being kind to animals
- Being kind to earth
- Understanding people who are different or have different opinions
- Build bridges not walls

- Kindness can reunite our country in these ways, but we need more than kindness to address these issues . . .