



*Announcing...*  
**THE 2019 OCBA LAW WEEK SPEECH CONTEST**

**SPONSORED BY THE ORANGE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**

**ELIGIBILITY:** OPEN TO FULL-TIME STUDENTS ENROLLED IN GRADES 6 THROUGH 12 IN ALL ORANGE COUNTY SCHOOLS (TRADITIONAL, VIRTUAL OR HOME)

**DEADLINE:** **Wednesday, March 27, 2019, at 4:00 p.m.**

All entries are to be hard copies, either mailed or hand delivered to Orange County Bar Association, 880 North Orange Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801, and must be to the attention of "Law Week Speech Contest". Teachers may submit all student submissions in one envelope. Each submission must have a full completed Entry Form attached to be considered.

**THEME:** Free Speech, Free Press, Free Society

In the United States and around the world, freedom of speech and the press are among the most important foundations for a free society. Free speech and free press are prominent topics in public discourse and litigation. It is impossible to imagine a free society without these individual liberties, yet historical and current debates surrounding them continually challenge us to consider their boundaries and resilience. Changes in technology have reshaped how free speech and free press work in the everyday world.

**AWARDS:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$100 Gift Card  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$50 Gift Card  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$25 Gift Card

1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner's Teacher - \$50 Gift Card

All winners, along with a parent and teacher, will be honored guests at the Orange County Bar Association's Law Week Luncheon.

**RULES:**  
Speech entries will be judged in their written form and are to be typed and double-spaced on 8 ½ x 11 white paper with completed entry form attached.  
Speeches are not to exceed three (3) minutes.  
The top three speechwriters will present their speeches at the OCBA Law Week Luncheon on April 25, 2019.  
Entries **will not** be returned to contestants.  
An entry form must be completed and submitted with each entry. (Blank form on the following page). Submission without an Entry Form attached will not be judged.

**JUDGING:** All speeches will be judged by members of the Orange County Bar Association Law Week Committee. Entries will be judged on content and creativity in expressing the 2019 Law Week Theme, "Free Speech, Free Press, Free Society."

**THE 2019 LAW WEEK LUNCHEON WILL BE HELD AT 11:30 A.M. ON THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019  
AT THE EMBASSY SUITES, 191 E PINE ST, ORLANDO, FL 32801.**

**2019 Orange County Bar Association's  
Law Week Committee  
SPEECH CONTEST ENTRY FORM**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

**Student's full name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian full name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian telephone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address for Parent/Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's grade level :** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher's name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher's telephone number or email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Principal's name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Teacher:** \_\_\_\_\_

Required to be attached to each speech entry.

*Unfortunately, if this information is not provided, the entry will be not be judged.*