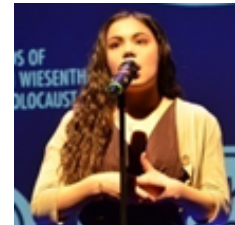
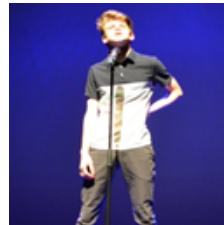




SPEAKERS IDOL 2020

Changing the World, One Speech at a Time



**ARE YOU A STUDENT IN GRADES 6-12 WITH
INNOVATIVE IDEAS ON HOW TO CHANGE THE WORLD?**

HERE IS YOUR CHANCE TO BE HEARD!

Students are asked to prepare a three-minute written speech on the following quote by Holocaust survivor Simon Wiesenthal:

**"Freedom is not a gift from heaven, you must
fight for it every day."**

**Submit your speech by Thursday, March 12, 2020 to
education@fswc.ca**



SPEAKERS IDOL 2020

FINALIST ROUND: Thursday, April 23, 2020 - Toronto

Welcome to Speakers Idol 2020! Now in its 9th year, Speakers Idol has become a widely recognized student competition in the Toronto area and beyond. Every year, students enter the competition by first submitting their written speech and once selected to compete, present it in front of a highly distinguished panel of judges. This is an excellent way to build students' resumes and public speaking skills. Best of all, students focus on improving their communities and the world around them.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All speeches must be submitted as a Word or PDF document, double-spaced, using 12 point font
- Include a title page with your: name, grade, phone number, email, school name, teacher's name and teacher's email
- Speeches will be evaluated in two categories: grade 6-8 and grade 9-12
- Top 10 contestants in each category will be invited to the semi-finalist round on **Sunday, April 5, 2020** to work with professional debate team members, followed by a professional filming of their speech
- Top 5 contestants in each category from the semi-finalist round will be invited to present their speeches in front of a live audience where grand prizes will be awarded on **Thursday, April 23, 2020**.

PRIZES & AWARDS

Brooks Business Lawyers is proud to financially support Speaker's Idol with finalist prizes from Apple. All prizes will be presented to winners after the event. Prizes are non-negotiable and non-transferable.

Winners and top participants may be invited to special events throughout the year including Freedom Day, the top youth event in Toronto which celebrates freedom and democracy, in honour of Simon Wiesenthal.

Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies (FSWC) reserves the right to use any photograph or video taken during the competition. FSWC may use the photographs and videos in future promotional materials including but not limited to: flyers, brochures and websites. To ensure the privacy of contestants and audience members, images will not be identified using full names or personal identifying information without written approval from the photographed subject, parent or legal guardian. A person who does not wish to have their image recorded for distribution may contact education@fswc.ca to process this request. Any person or organization not affiliated with FSWC may not use, copy, alter, or modify FSWC photographs, graphics or other similar reproductions without the advance written permission of FSWC.

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