

Lake Soil & Water Conservation District

ANNOUNCES A

SPEECH CONTEST

FOR

LAKE COUNTY STUDENTS
IN SIXTH THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE

TOPIC:

**How can
Conservation Habits = Healthy Habitats?**

Typed, double-spaced speeches, on 8-1/2 x 11 white paper, must be hand-delivered, emailed, or faxed by 5:00 p.m., or postmarked on the deadline date.

Entries must be received on or before October 19, 2009	Oral speeches will be given on November 4, 2009, at 5:30 p.m.
Mail, hand-deliver, email, or fax to: Lake Soil & Water Conservation District 1725 David Walker Dr, Suite C Tavares, FL 32778 (352) 343-2481 ext. 6 (352) 343-6275 fax Cindy.Strickland@fl.nacdnet.net	Lake County Agriculture Center Auditorium 1951 Woodlea Rd Tavares, FL 32778

Eligibility

This contest is open to any Lake County students in grades six through twelve.

Entries in the Lake County competition will be evaluated locally. The winner of the local competition may be entered in an area competition, and from there may advance to a State competition.

Note to Teachers - Participation in this event would directly relate to Sunshine State Standards, Language Arts, LA.C.3.4.1 AND LA.C.3.4.2.

Contest Rules

One Contest Theme - **"How can Conservation Habits = Healthy Habitats?"**

Contestants may not use a speech presented at any previous local, state, or national conservation district contest.

Contestant may use notes while speaking. Visual aides may not be used.

Time Limit – Each speech will be not less than five minutes or more than eight minutes long. **Time under or over these limits, respectively, will cost the contestant two points for each 15 seconds or part thereof.**

Judging – The following items and points will be used by the judges to score each contestant.

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
CONTENT	Choice of subject (relevance to contest topic)	10
	Treatment (material used & accuracy of statements)	20
	Originality (subject matter and treatment)	20
	<u>TOTAL CONTENT POINTS</u>	50
COMPOSITION	Organization, cohesiveness, grammar style	10
	<u>TOTAL COMPOSITION POINTS</u>	10
DELIVERY	Voice (enunciation, modulation)	10
	Personal appearance (neatness, posture)	10
	Communicative expertise (sincerity, ability to convey thought and meaning)	10
	Stage presence (gestures, visual contact)	10
	<u>TOTAL DELIVERY POINTS</u>	40
	<u>TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS</u>	100

Prizes - \$100 first place, \$50 second place, \$25 third place

Speeches will be given orally on Wednesday, November 4, 2009 – 5:30 p.m. at the Lake County Agriculture Center, 1951 Woodlea Rd, Tavares