



Delano Union School District
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Region 10 Henry Greve Speech Contest

To Principals, Vice Principals, Resource Teachers, and Henry Greve Speech Contest Coaches:

The Region 10 Henry Greve Speech Contest for 7th and 8th grade students will be held on **Thursday, January 29, 2026** at the La Viña Middle School Lecture Hall. Check-in begins at 12:45 p.m. and judging starts at 1:00 p.m. The awards ceremony will take place immediately following the speech competition. We expect the event to end by 3:00 p.m.

The topic this year is:

Is America Still the Land of Opportunity?

Enclosed you will find copies of the official guidelines for the 2025-2026 Kern County Henry Greve Speech Contest. We will be using the KCSOS guidelines and judging criteria for the Region 10 Henry Greve Speech Contest. Each school may send up to 5 students per grade level (7th & 8th grade) to the regional competition. The first place winner will be awarded a trophy and advance to the Kern County Henry Greve Speech Contest on Thursday, March 19, 2026. The first runner-up and second runner-up will receive a trophy, and all participants will receive a ribbon and certificate of participation.

For the Region 10 competition, the speeches do not have to be completely memorized. The students may use note cards to help them when delivering their speeches. The first place student will need to memorize their speech for the Kern County Henry Greve Speech Contest.

Please submit the names of your site coaches on the attached Coach Form by Thursday, December 11, 2025. School events must be completed and Student Entry Forms submitted by Thursday, January 15, 2026.

Contact/Questions/Forms to:

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Attachments:

1. 2025-2026 KCSOS Topic
2. KCSOS Judging Guidelines
3. Coach Form
4. Student Entry Form