



American Legion Post 201, Alpharetta, GA 30004 Oratorical Competition

Who: 9th – 12th grade high school students*

What: Compete in the American Legion's annual oratorical competition focused on the U.S. Constitution, "A constitutional speech contest." Contestants prepare and give a speech on some aspect of the U.S. Constitution, with some emphasis on the duties and obligations of citizens to our government. Speeches are eight (8) to ten (10) minutes long. Contestants must also provide a three (3) to five (5) minute assigned topic speech from the below amendments.

The amendment topics for 2024 are:

- **Amendment II** – A well-regulated Militia
- **Amendment XXIII** – Allow citizens residing in District of Columbia to vote for presidential electors.
- **Amendment XXV, Section 3** – President transmits written declaration that he is unable to discharge the powers and duties of the office.
- **Amendment V** – Five rights and protections – jury trial, double jeopardy, self-incrimination, fair trial, self-incrimination.

When: Winners at each level move onto the next

- Post 201: Alpharetta American Legion (201 Wills Road) – **Saturday, January 6, 2024 at 10am**
- District: February 2024 TBD
- Area 3 Contest: February 2024 TBD
- Department (State): Sunday, March 3, 2024 at 2pm at Mary Persons Auditorium in Forsyth, GA
- National: May 17 – 19 in Hillsdale, MI at Hillsdale College

Why: Earn Scholarship money for college and have fun competing against other High School students

Post 201 scholarship money

- First Place: \$1,000
- Second Place: \$750
- Third Place: \$500
- Additional scholarship money earned at each level of competition. Winners may earn more than \$25,000 in scholarship awards if he/she wins at national level

More information: <https://www.legion.org/oratorical>

To register: [Register Here](#)

Questions: Contact David Cunnold, American Legion Post 201 Oratorical Chair

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*Contestant must be an active high school student in grade 9 to 12, must be an American citizen, and must be under age 20 on April 23, 2023.