

Odia Speech Contest (Age: 7-12)

Goal:

1. To encourage children to speak in Odia language (propagation of Odia language and culture)
2. To connect OSA National with individual chapters

Guidelines & Procedure:

This event should take place during Ganesh Puja or nearest major chapter celebration. If the chapter celebration occurs at multiple locations in a chapter, OSA National encourages it to be conducted at all venues. Depending on time/ place availability, organizers should decide when and how to conduct this contest. Chapter President may request a youth volunteer to coordinate the event. Youth volunteer will receive a certificate for four hours of volunteering service credit by OSA National for coordinating this event. Individual chapters are responsible for notifying this information to their members. *OSA National encourages the chapters to use an OSA banner during all OSA events.*

Choice #1: A theme/topic is provided to the participant prior to the event. Participants come prepared; deliver the speech in front of the judges in Odia (5-10minutes)

Choice#2: (Optional) A theme/topic is provided to the participant prior to the event. Participants draw/paint a picture at home. They bring the poster and describe it in front of the judges in Odia (5-10 minutes.) This option is suitable for 7-9 years age.

Judging/Award Process:

There should be two or more judges for this competition. Judges should not be related to the participants. There will be a total score of thirty points. Ten points should be awarded for fluency, ten points for using proper vocabulary and ten points for correct posture/ confidence. Judges should score individually and finally add them up to find the winner/s. In case of a tie, award amount should be distributed equally. Each chapter will receive a \$50.00 check and certificates from OSA National for the winners. Each certificate will carry credit for an hour of volunteer service. It's the organizer's choice to give the award amount to a single winner or to choose more winners. The organizer may add additional amount from the chapter funds to raise the award money.

After the event, the chapter organizers are requested to share photos and videos of the event with the OSA National (vicepresident@orissasociety.org) for sharing them through OSA communication forum.