

2022 **Elementary Schools Competitions:** 1/18 - 2/4
2022 **Virtual District Wide Competition Registration:** 2/10 (Google docs and video links)
2022 **Virtual District-Wide Competition Winners Shout Out:** 3/10
2022 **Winners Ribbons & Medals delivered to schools:** week of 3/14
2022 **Virtual Finals Showcase Virtual Reception** – Sunday, March 27, Time: TBA
2022 **Check for updates at:** www.ousd.org/mlkoratorical

Registration and Virtual Competition Logistics

*Video entries allow teachers/students to submit their best performance for their category rather than a live streamed performance possibly being interrupted by technical difficulties or an in-the-moment memory challenge. *Memorization. Interpretation!

What should students practice as they prepare their pieces for their School Site Oratorical?

Interpretation: Make sure **meaning is powerfully and clearly conveyed** to the audience. Display an **interpretation that deepens** and enlivens your performance.

Technical Requirements: **MEMORIZATION**, articulation, pronunciation, volume, eye contact, facial expression, natural gesturing (vs over gesturing and pacing back and forth), speaking with confidence, **fluent phrasing**, and time limit: individuals: up to 3 minutes; groups: up to 5 minutes; see Divisions & Categories and Number of School Participants

Logistics for Video submissions and Judges

- 1) Videos shot in **horizontal** by video camera, phone or FlipGrid.com; **Video labled** with title of piece, category, K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, student name for individuals, but group videos should have the teacher's first and last name (vs students)
- 2) Video link, students names, teachers first and last name/grade, school info needed on MLK Oratorical School Participants Category & Video google form placed in google Folder by deadline of 2/10. Please do not ask for an extension. Hard deadline of 2/10.
- 3) Completed MLK Oratorical Participants Category google form before or by deadline
Link to the School's Participants & Video Doc: will be posted under Important Links
Link to Registration Form: will be posted under Important Links
- 4) Judges may score performance videos synchronous or asynchronous at the school level
- 5) Judges will score District-Wide Competition videos asynchronous

District & County Indoor Events Guidance during COVID-19 Pandemic

1. Masks for all, including the performers, spectators, judges
2. Limiting attendees to 100 or fewer
3. Health screening/symptom screening for all performers and spectators on the day of the event
4. Spacing groups of attendees out by household group by 6ft.
5. Anti-Bacterial Hand wash, disinfectant wipes, MASKS, PPE supply needed

If it's not possible to do all of the above, we'd advise holding outdoors or streaming the performance online. I think it's important to take that into consideration and err on the side of caution, as much as possible. Thanks, Sailaja