



January 24, 2011

Dear Rotary Club President:

Enclosed is a packet of information outlining Rotary District 6450's Four-Way Test essay contest. This is the ninth year for this contest and it has proven to be a valuable exercise for the clubs that participate. Middle School students are asked to write a short essay on "How Can I Apply the Four-Way Test in My Life." This contest serves several purposes including:

- Promoting good citizenship in the Middle Grades.
- Giving students other than athletes an opportunity to excel in their school.
- Helping instill the Rotary philosophy of service and ethics into your community's schools.
- Increasing Rotary's public image in your community.
- Laying a foundation for Rotary's promotion of Interact and Youth Exchange.

This is an excellent contest. Consider getting your club involved. This contest will help your members connect to this age group and learn of their pressures and viewpoints. Parental oversight of the process could ultimately increase your membership.

Included you will find:

- 1) a letter to send to your local schools \*\*
- 2) a brief synopsis of the Four-Way Test
- 3) an eligibility and contest rules document \*\*
- 4) an application form \*\*

**\*\* Be sure to add your club name and address to each of these documents.**

Clubs are encouraged to have their own awards in addition to the district's awards and recognition. If there are any questions, do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David L. Weber".

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