Dear Principal/Teacher:

This letter is being sent to formally invite your students to participate in the Allentown Diocese Declamation Contest to be held Saturday, May 15 hosted by the Notre Dame Speech and Debate Team virtually. This contest will be open to all 7th and 8th graders who wish to participate. This contest replaces the CYO Declamation Contest for this year.

Each school is initially limited to six students.

There will be two rounds. The top six finishers will receive awards.

A study conducted by Yale University has strongly indicated that students who participate in speech and debate have a better chance of being accepted into the college of their choice and greatly improve their chances of success in the academic and business world. It is our greatest hope that by participating in this tournament, 7th and 8th grade students may learn how personally rewarding their involvement in speech and debate can be.

Schools may enter online via the Tabroom website, www.tabroom.com. Each school needs to click on Create Your Account and list the names of their team members so they can register for this contest and all future CYO Speech Tournaments. The tournament is under the Allentown CYO League. If your program wishes to take part in, your entry must be received on Tabroom no later than 5pm on Wednesday May 12. All entry adds or drops may be made online by Thursday, May 13 at 5pm. All changes afterwords must be called in or emailed to srizzo@ndcrusaders.org. We hope that your students will choose to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. If you any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Sal Rizzo
Speech Tournament Director
(484) 541-8810 (EVENINGS ONLY)
srizzo@ndcrusaders.org
CONTEST SCHEDULE

12:30-1:00  Registration
1:00        Opening Ceremony
1:15        Round I
2:45        Round II
4:30        Presentation and Awards