

# 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Artificial and Superintelligence Oratorical Contest Application

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Kappa Sigma Lambda Chapter

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Foundation Chairman



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Greetings,

The Killeen Alpha Education Foundation In Conjunction with Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Kappa Sigma Lambda Chapter are sponsoring the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Artificial and Superintelligence Oratorical Contest for males in grades 8-12. This competition will be held on January 18, 2025 at 9:06 am at Anderson Chapel A.M.E Church, 1002 Jefferis Ave. Killeen, Texas 76542

The competition is a contest designed to motivate males to excel in education. The competition encourages students to express their views on a pre-selected topic and focuses on the ability of the students to communicate orally and in writing. The contest is also designed to give young men experience in public speaking reviewing legal documents as well as provide an opportunity for them to obtain some financial support for their academic needs and pursuits. Participants will receive cash prizes. 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$500.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$300.00, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$150.00

The topic of the competition is always considered from the point of view of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The topic of the competition for 2024.

**Background: *What ethical, cultural and moral standards should we use to create AI and confine their behaviors?***

**Topic for consideration: *“Social Media Regulations: Should regulations be stricter on social media platforms to prevent misinformation and hate speech?” In an age where AI’s potential for both good and harm is immense, how can Dr. King’s emphasis on nonviolence and love influence the boundaries we set for AI behavior?”***

Enclosed is a copy of the application for the Oratorical Contest.

Please submit your completed application by **November 20, 2024**.

Thank you very much for your assistance with our program. We look forward to your participation. If you have additional questions or need further clarification please contact Brother Lorenzo Westbrook at 254-291-4629 or Brother Tony RoseKino Hickey 254-458-0353.

Educationally Yours,

*Lorenzo J. Westbrook*

# OVERVIEW

## History and Objective

In supporting the fraternity's national program, "Go to High School, Go to College," The objective of the *Contest* is to offer enriching experiences for young men to expand their network of like achievers and mentors, and to further develop skills beyond the scope of the normal high school curriculum, while providing college readiness experiences and character building tools that would assist them in the future years.



## Professional and Academic Enrichment

Participants will enhance their public speaking skills by participating in the Oratorical contest. Participants will be provided two sessions to work with their mentor in developing their speech on the provided topic. The winner of the oratorical contest receives a cash prize. 1<sup>st</sup> place \$500.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$300.00, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$150.00

## Requirement for Participants

- Male high school students (Freshman to Senior)
- Exemplifies good character
- Participates in extracurricular activities
- Demonstrates leadership abilities

## Application Process

**1. A complete application must include ALL of the following with Parent(s)/Guardian signature:**

- Application
- Emergency Contact & Medical Information
- Waiver of Liabilities

**Completed Applications must be post marked or emailed by November 18, 2024 to:**

***MLK Oratorical Contest c/o  
Lorenzo J. Westbrook  
Post Office Box 397  
Killeen, Texas 76540 or  
westbrookl@earthlink.net***

- 2. Following submission of completed application, the applicant and his Parent(s)/Guardian(s) will be contacted by one of the committee members with Orientation information for the Oratorical Contest Guidelines and Expectations.**

**\*If at any point in time, you have any questions or concerns throughout the application process and thereafter, please feel free to contact any of the members below:**

Program Chair  
**Lorenzo Westbrook**  
254-291-4629  
*westbrookl@earthlink.net*

Program Co-Chair  
**Tony Rose**  
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Oratorical Contest Application

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

First:	Middle:	Last:
Date of Birth:	Age:	Shirt Size:
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	Email:

**PARENTAL/GUARDIAN INFORMATION**

With whom the applicant lives

Name:			Name:		
Address:			Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:	City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:		Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	
Email:			Email:		
Relationship:			Relationship:		

**EMERGENCY CONTACT**

Best person who is easily reachable in case of emergency

Name of relative not residing with you:		Relationship:
Address:		Phone:
City:	State:	Zip:

Any specific emergency contact instructions?

**MEDICAL INFORMATION**

In the event of any trips, activities, meals, etc.

Any Medical Concerns: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Medications? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Do you have any allergies (i.e. food, medication, seasonal, etc.)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
If Yes to any of the above, please explain:		
Any specific emergency procedure instructions?		
Physician Name:	Address:	Phone:

**JOB INFORMATION**

Do you work? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Employer:
Position:	How often?
Name of Supervisor:	Phone:

**EDUCATION INFORMATION**

High School:		
Advisor:	Phone:	Email:
Year: Freshmen Sophomore Junior Senior	GPA (weighted and unweighted):	
What are your 2 favorite subjects:	1:	2:
What are your 2 least favorite subjects:	1:	2:
How would you rate your attendance?	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor	
Have you been suspended in the last 2 years?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If so, why?
What are your post-graduate plans?	<input type="checkbox"/> Technical College <input type="checkbox"/> 4-year University <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
If other, please briefly explain:		
Top 2 Colleges/Universities choices:	1:	2:
What do you plan to major in?		
What are your career aspirations?		

**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Do you participate in sports or activities? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Do you volunteer/perform community service? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Activity	How often?	Activity	How often?
1:		1:	
2:		2:	
3:		3:	
4:		4:	
5:		5:	

## APPLICATION CERTIFICATION

I, \_\_\_\_\_

Certify that the answers given herein are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also authorize investigation of all information contained in this application as may be necessary participation in the MLK Oratorical Contest sponsored by the Kappa Sigma Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. In the event of winning the contest, I understand that false or misleading information given in my application may result in discharge from the event.

**Signature of Applicant:**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Parent/Guardian:**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Liability Waiver for \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant)

**RELEASE FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT**

In the event of an emergency and the inability of the Kappa Sigma Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. to obtain my consent, I hereby give permission for Kappa Sigma Lambda to authorize any medical treatment or surgery in which a qualified physician or surgeon shall deem prudent for my child. I shall incur any costs associated from these actions.

**Signature of Parent/Guardian:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Parent/Guardian:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHOTO RELEASE**

I authorize the Kappa Sigma Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. to use photos and/or other likeness of myself, my child, or the child for whom I have legal guardianship and who is participating in the *MLK* Oratorical contest for promotional materials regarding youth mentoring. Such likenesses will not be sold to other parties. Promotional materials bearing these likenesses may be distributed for free to the public and posted on the chapter's website. The Kappa Sigma Lambda Chapter reserves the right to use any photo or likeness for a time period beginning when this form is signed and ending upon written request by participant, parent or legal guardian

**Signature of Parent/Guardian:**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Parent/Guardian:**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



**PARENTAL PERMISSION**

I hereby give permission for my child to participate in the *MLK* Oratorical Contest. I understand that the Kappa Sigma Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. is not responsible for personal injury or loss of property. I understand that participants are free to leave the program at any time. I agree to immediately update this application when any information changes or contact the Program Director should I have any concerns.

**Signature of Parent/Guardian:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Parent/Guardian:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_