



International Chiropractors Association
2025 Chiropractic Philosophy Speech Competition

Scholarship Application

Submissions are being accepted now through March 15, 2025. You must submit this application to be considered. Applications should be emailed to membership@chiropractic.org.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Membership No.: _____

Chiropractic College: _____

Anticipated Grad Date: _____

Eligibility

This competition is open to **current Student ICA (SICA) members** who meet the following criteria:

- Must be a full-time student in good standing at an accredited chiropractic college as of **April 5, 2025**.
- Must attend the Philosophy Lunch on April 5, 2025 in person to participate. No recorded entries will be accepted.

Speech Topics

Participants must prepare a speech on one (1) of the following topics:

1. Choose one or more of the 33 Principles to discuss, specifically how they relate to chiropractic today.
2. Relate the value and application of chiropractic philosophy to the other two tenets of art and science.
3. Explain how you will use chiropractic philosophy as you transition from student to practicing doctor and its importance to a successful practice.

Presentation Details

- Participants will have **3 minutes** to deliver their speeches.
- **Spoken word only.** No visual aids, digital components, or props are permitted. Accommodations will be made for participants with disabilities; contact membership@chiropractic.org for assistance.

Registration Process

- Register by completing the application above.
- Registration closes on **March 15, 2025**.

Evaluation Criteria

Speeches will be evaluated by a panel of ICA Board Members on the following criteria:

1. **Content and Insight (1-50 points):** Discussion must be clear, developed, insightful, and relevant to the topic.
2. **Structure and Delivery (1-30 points):** Logical arguments, coherent structure, and confident presentation. Points may be deducted for going over allotted time.
3. **Style and Creativity (1-20 points):** Originality, compelling style, and engaging delivery.

Prizes

Winners will receive the following scholarships:

- 1st Place: \$1,500
- 2nd Place: \$1,000
- 3rd Place: \$500

Additional Details

Speeches may be recorded and shared by the ICA during future events and in ICA publications, newsletters, and online platforms in ICA publications, newsletters, online platforms, and other promotional capacities.

Family members of ICA staff, Board members, or Representative Assembly members are not eligible to participate.