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Know any High School Students Interested in Leadership Development?

AIKEN, S.C. – December 2, 2008 - As part of an initiative to encourage area students to be involved in the development of leadership skills, the National Management Association (NMA) of SRS, Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC, and Washington Savannah River Company are proud to sponsor the NMA Leadership Speech Contest, February 19, at Aiken Technical College. NMA is a leadership development organization that provides sponsorship for numerous educational events to encourage the growth of future leaders. The Leadership Speech Contest is a national competition for high school students sponsored by the NMA. The purpose of the NMA Leadership Contest is to promote a better understanding of Leadership among high school age students.

The competition has four levels of competition: NMA Chapter Level, NMA Council Level, Leadership Development Conference Contests, and NMA Final Level. Initially, the students perform research on Leadership, then develop their speech. Selected individuals deliver their speech February 19. The students are judged on their delivery, creativity, and oral presentation skills. During the contest, students learn how to enhance their skills in planning, communication, and oral presentation.

Students will compete at the Local Competition with a monetary prize presented to the winner; \$300 for 1st Place; \$200 for 2nd place; and \$100 for 3rd place. The winner of the Chapter Level Competition will be provided complimentary travel and accommodations for the other levels of competition.

Important Dates:

- Deadline for completing the Speech Contest Student Entry Form is **Jan. 19.**
- Deadline for submittal of the speech with required forms is **Feb. 6.**
- NMA SRS Leadership Speech Contest is **Feb. 19.**

For applications, contact Dawn Moore, NMA American Enterprise Vice President, (803) 952-9833 or dawn.moore@srs.gov.

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