



## ***Speak & Lead With Pride*** ***Improve your public speaking and leadership skills today!***

The San Mateo County Chapter of OCA is now accepting applications for its premier **Speak and Lead with Pride** program for the 2020 year! This is a hands-on course designed to teach the art of public speaking and leadership skills to high school students. Over the course of 6 weeks, participants will gain remarkable **confidence** in their public speaking and leadership abilities. The course concludes with a *recognition ceremony and speech contest* for a \$500 scholarship prize.

- When:** Six Saturdays, 10:00AM – Noon, all in 2020  
Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 22<sup>rd</sup>, Feb. 29<sup>th</sup>, & Mar 7<sup>th</sup>,  
plus a **Recognition Ceremony & Speech Contest**,  
on Thursday, Mar 12<sup>th</sup>, 6-8:30 PM
- Where:** Foster City Recreation Center, Crane Room  
650 Shell Blvd., Foster City, CA 94404
- Cost:** **FREE** for all students! 100% financed by OCA San Mateo

Applicants should be high school students who identify as being Asian Pacific American. **Applicants must also commit to attend all six Saturday classes plus the Recognition Ceremony and Speech Contest**, scheduled for the evening of March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Applicants must submit a recommendation letter from their school counselor or teacher and their latest school transcript.

Applications and other information are also available from your school counselor and our website at

<http://www.ocasanmateo.org/youth/speakandlead/speakandlead.php>

## **Deadline to Apply: Friday, December 13, 2019**

OCA is a national non-profit, non-partisan Pan-Asian advocacy group headquartered in Washington, DC that advocates for Asian Pacific American political, economic, and social justice issues as well as educates Asian Pacific Americans on the importance of civic engagement. OCA is one of the oldest national Asian Pacific American social justice organizations in the United States.

