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The Air Cadet League of Canada Announces the 3 winners of the 2025 National Effective Speaking Competition

OTTAWA, ON (June 20, 2025) – The Air Cadet League of Canada is proud to announce the three winners of the 2025 in-person National Effective Speaking Competition.

On June 14, the in-person Effective Speaking National Competition took place in Ottawa. Every province and Northwest Territories were represented. During the competition, the 11 speakers demonstrated their oral skills by presenting a prepared speech, as well as an impromptu speech for which they were given only three minutes' preparation time. The three judges, Mrs. Nujma Bond, Mrs. Sophia Mitsopoulos and Lcol Simon Caron had no easy task determining the three winners! We would also like to thank the evaluator Mr. Guy Albert and the volunteers who helped that evening.

Here are the names of the 11 Air Cadets who took part in the competition:
(Only the first three names are in order of position)

Sgt Jacob Wagner	147 Airwolf	BC	1 st Place (\$500)
WO2 Çatalkaram Hatt Sustam	1 West Montreal	QOV	2 nd Place (\$300)
FCpl Obehi Aikhomu	918 Griffon	AB	3 rd Place (\$200)
WO2 Thomas Clenche	567 Random	NL	
FSgt Liam Bent	18 Darmouth	NS	
FSgt Lawrence Chan	53 C.E. Monty DFC	PEI	
FCpl Lincoln Bell	527 Simonds	NB	
Sgt Vani Salh	132 Spitfire	ON	
WO1 Hailey Nagtalon	573 Andrew Mynarski VC	MB	
WO2 Amelia Wood	574 Dakota	SK	
Cpl Alexander Mackenzie	825 Yellowknife Elks	N.W.T.	

Congratulations to the 11 participants who shone in this in-person competition! Let's hope their performance will inspire their peers to take part next year.

The Air Cadet League of Canada is a civilian volunteer non-profit organization with mission to promote and encourage the nation's youth to develop and maintain an interest in aviation, leadership, and citizenship, in partnership with the Canadian Armed Forces and other organizations.

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