COMMENCEMENT MEMORANDUM

JEWETT SPEECH COMPETITION

DATE: February 12, 2025

TO: Spring 2025 Marietta College Graduates

FROM: Jewett Coordinators, Dr. Cheongmi Shim (cs009@marietta.edu | Mills 101) &
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Your college commencement would not be complete without the many traditions that make the ceremony special. The Jewett Speech Competition is one of the oldest commencement traditions at Marietta College. The first and second place winners of the Jewett competition will present their speech in-person at the commencement ceremony.

The contest to choose the Jewett speakers for the Class of 2025 will be held Wednesday, April 2nd, at 6:00 p.m. in Mills 107. At this time, a panel of faculty representing various academic disciplines, students appointed by SGA, and administrators will select the winning speakers. Not only do the students who are chosen have the honor of speaking as part of commencement, they will also receive awards of $100 for first place and $50 for second place. We hope that a large pool of graduating seniors will enter this contest to represent their class.

We will be holding a brief informational meeting on Wednesday, March 5th, at 4:00 p.m. in Mills 107. At the informational meeting, we will provide suggestions and answer questions regarding the competition, as well as collect necessary information from you. If you would like to enter the Jewett Speech Competition but cannot make the informational meeting, please contact us by email at either of the addresses below.

We hope that all graduating seniors will enter this contest to represent their class. Information concerning this special occasion can be found at http://www.marietta.edu/jewett-prize.

If you have any further questions or would like additional information, please contact Dr. Shim (cs009@marietta.edu) or Prof. Nicely (forakera@marietta.edu). We look forward to hearing from you!