



## **AMADOR RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

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### **Conservation Education Speak-Off Contest Announced by the Amador Resource Conservation District**

Jackson, CA – The Amador Resource Conservation District (ARCD) invites local high school students to enter the annual California Association of Resource Conservation Districts Conservation Education Speak-Off. This contest is a great opportunity for students to practice their speaking skills, advocate for natural resource conservation, and win cash prizes. This year's topic is "*How can Resource Conservation Districts protect natural resources through community action?*"

The local contest is being held on October 18, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. at the Amador County Agricultural Commissioner's Office in Martell; the winner will receive \$150, and advance to the regional contest being held October 26, 2012, in Jackson. Second and third place speakers will receive cash prizes of \$100 and \$75, respectively. Regional winners will advance to the statewide contest, and be eligible for additional cash prizes.

Applications are due to ARCD by October 12, 2012. For rules and an application form, visit the ARCD website at [www.amadorrcd.org](http://www.amadorrcd.org) or call the District office at 209-223-6543.

#### **About Amador Resource Conservation District (ARCD)**

The Amador Resource Conservation District was established in 1950 and is a non-regulatory, public agency governed by local ranchers, farmers and conservationists. ARCD's mission is to provide conservation technical assistance to agricultural producers, individual landowners and local government agencies, and to promote natural resource conservation through community education. Additional information regarding District programs and initiatives can be found on the ARCD website at [www.amadorrcd.org](http://www.amadorrcd.org)

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