



District 35 2025 Fall Business Meeting

Program Quality Director Report

As we close out the first quarter of the Toastmasters year, let me share a few highlights of clubs and members' excellence:

Out of 74 clubs, 61 clubs had at least four, and 22 clubs had all seven, officers attend training.

76 Education Awards earned:

20 Level 1 Awards

16 Level 2 Awards

14 Level 3 Awards

15 Level 4 Awards

11 Level 5 Awards

1 Pathways Mentor Program

27 Education Goals achieved.

Collectively, these examples show our District's members are engaged, committed to learning and applying leadership skills and supporting each other in achieving personal goals.

You may wonder what else is happening in our District. As your Program Quality Director, it is my pleasure to offer a variety of opportunities for you to strengthen and stretch communication and confidence muscles. In the months ahead look for:

Regular club support sessions, from Canva to Youth Leadership Program

Winter club officer training focused on team building, motivation and bringing in new members.

International and Humorous Speech contests

District Spring Conference: the climax and celebration of everything achieved during the year.

In other words, step outside of your comfort zone! Present a topic you know plenty about (like club marketing). Compete in a contest. Serve as a contest official. Mentor someone who wants to be a contest official or compete in a contest. Help with fundraising for and tech set up at the Spring Conference to get as many people as possible to attend, the way that works best for them.

I made it easy to say "yes." Fill out this form and I will provide training and support. Share this form with your club's members. You will gain new skills and get closer to being a Distinguished Toastmaster. Bring your talents and let us make the most of them. I would love for you to join my Program Quality Team.

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You may think all this sounds straightforward and there must be a twist in the plot line. Surprise! There is. As you may know, 2025-2026 is the final year of District 35. Starting July 1 of 2026 we will welcome clubs from Iowa and Illinois and together become District 212. While this change brings challenges, I see it as the door to meeting people, learning their talents, sharing our talents with them, and taking our leadership and teamwork skills to next level. Furthermore, you will have access to even more ideas, resources, and people, and even set a goal to visit every club in Iowa and/or Illinois! Likewise, how cool would it be to see a group of curious Iowans and Illinoisans show up at your club meeting. Imagine the possibilities and look ahead to more moments of enjoyment.

When I give this report next time, it will be at the Spring Conference. My goal then is to celebrate all the Distinguished Clubs, members who earned their DTM (ask one of the current DTMs about the hug line) and achieve 100% of clubs with at least four officers trained during the winter period. My bigger goal is to have a team of Division Directors and Area Directors who can dive in the deep end with me and make sure no club is left behind.

I look forward to collaborating with you to support all clubs in achieving excellence. Thank you for the opportunity to serve our District this year as your Program Quality Director.

Respectfully submitted,

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