

Evaluation Contest

Judge's Guide and Ballot

JUDGING ITEMS	SUGGESTED POINT VALUES													
	E X C E L L	V E R Y G	G 0 0	F A I										
	T	D	D	R	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Analytical Quality Clear, Focused	40	28-39	17-27	0-16										
Recommendations Positive, Specific, Helpful	30	22-29	13-21	0-12										
Technique Sympathetic, Sensitive, Motivational	15	11-14	6-10	0-5										
Summation Concise, Encouraging	15	11-14	6-10	0-5										
TOTAL SCORE (100 Points Possible)														

(Detach and submit to counters)

Judge's Official Ballot - Evaluation Contest

Name of Contestant

First Place: ______
Second Place: _____
Third Place: _____

NOTE: Votes must be cast for first, second and third place or the ballot will be voided.

PLACE RANKING POINTS (for counters' use only)

First Place 3 points

Second Place 2 points

2 points

Third Place 1 point

Judging Criteria

Analytical Quality refers to the effectiveness of the evaluation. Every evaluation should carefully analyze the strengths and weaknesses of the speaker's presentation. Were the evaluator's comments clear and logical? Did the evaluator identify specific strengths and weaknesses of the presentation?

Recommendations are an important part of an evaluation. An evaluator not only points out the strengths and weaknesses of a speech, he/she also offers specific recommendations for improvement. Recommendations should be practical, helpful and positive, and they should enable the speaker to improve his or her next presentation.

Technique refers to the manner in which the evaluator presents his/her comments and recommendations. An evaluator should be sensitive to the feelings and needs of the speaker, yet inspire and encourage the speaker in his/her future speaking efforts.

Summation is how the evaluator concludes the evaluation. The conclusion should briefly summarize the evaluator's comments and suggestions, and be positive and encouraging.

Judge's Code of Ethics

- 1. Judges will demonstrate the utmost objectivity. Judges will consciously avoid bias of any kind in selecting first, second, and third place contestants. Judges will not consider any contestant's club, Area, Division, District, or region affiliation. Judges will not consider any contestant's age, sex, race, creed, national origin, disability, profession, or political beliefs.
- 2. Judges will not time the speeches and will not consider the possibility of undertime or overtime when judging a contestant's speech.
- 3. Judges will support by word and deed the contest rules and judging standards, refrain from public criticism of the contest, and only reveal participation as a judge, selected scores, and the ranking assigned in accordance with speech contest rules.
- 4. Judges will not be a member of the same club as any contestant when judging at the Division and District levels.
- 5. Judges will have no conflict of interest with any of the contestants that would cause bias.