State Fair of Texas
Public Speaking

Incorrect Marks ✓ ✗ Correct Mark ●

Entry Information

Entry #

Judge's Initials _____

Group Number _____

Time and Deductions

Time
Minimum: 6 minutes
Maximum: 8 minutes
(minutes : seconds)

Deductions
Under 6 min: 1 pt. per 10 seconds
Over 8 min: 1 pt. per 10 seconds
(points to deduct)

***Judges*: Please write AND bubble your score for each row.**

Speech Composition & Organization

1. Introduction
Attention of the audience is gained
Purpose of the speech is clearly stated
Importance of the subject is established

(Maximum 20 points)

2. Body
One central theme throughout
Information is accurate, current, and sources given
Logical sequence to presentation
Educational value is clearly explained

(Maximum 20 points)

Speech Delivery & Expression

3. Delivery
Appearance
(Grooming and neatness of appearance; composure and posture)
Voice is clear and audible at all times
Correct use of grammar and pronunciation

(Maximum 20 points)

4. Expression
Eye contact with audience
Appropriate use of gestures and body language
Uniqueness of presentation
Audience appeal

(Maximum 20 points)

Speech Summary

5. Summary / Conclusion
Major points are emphasized; adequate and effective conclusion presented

(Maximum 20 points)

Speech Topic Selection

6. Subject Matter
Relates to selected topic area

(Maximum 20 points)

Follow-Up Questions

7. Response to Questions
Accuracy and completeness of answers
Poise and self-confidence
Understanding of selected topic

(Maximum 20 points)