



# Evaluation Contest

## Tiebreaking Judge's Guide and Ballot

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

(Detach and submit to chief judge)

### Tiebreaking Judge's Official Ballot - Evaluation Contest

Name of Contestant \_\_\_\_\_

First Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Fourth Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Seventh Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Fifth Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Eighth Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Third Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Sixth Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Ninth Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Tenth Place: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Judge)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Judge's Name; Please Print)

## 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 all 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.