

PREPARED PUBLIC
SPEAKING CONTEST
APPLICATION



Contestant's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Parents' Names: _____

Division: _____

Age division breakdowns are as follows:

- Novice: 8 to 10 years old as of January 1, 2025 (NOT eligible for National Contest)
- Junior: 9 to 13 years old as of January 1, 2025
- Intermediate: 14 to 17 years old as of January 1, 2025
- Senior: 18 to 20 years old as of January 1, 2025

Age as of January 1, 2025: _____

Speech Topic: _____

Must be postmarked or emailed by January 3

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Prepared Public Speaking Contest Scorecard

Contestant Name:

Division:

Speech Title:

Content – 30 points	Maximum Points	Contestant Points
Content: provides an adequate amount of information relating to topic with substantial message	10	
Material: information presented is factual, understood and well-researched	10	
Purpose: presented with a purpose to entertain, inform, persuade or obtain action	10	
Composition – 25 points		
Organization: contains introduction, body & conclusion with main points and transitions	10	
Grammar: correct sentence structure & proper language used	5	
Originality: creative & material presented developed by the speaker	5	
Engagement: skillful use of facts, examples, descriptions & analogies	5	
Delivery – 20 points		
Style: develops a rapport with audience, easy to listen to, appealing presentation style, conveyance of thought & meaning, enthusiasm, and conversational attitude	10	
Voice & Diction: articulate, good use of emphasis, volume	5	
Body Language: confident poise & posture, makes eye contact, hand gestures used in good taste, personal appearance	5	
Response to Questions – 25 points		
Demonstrates a comprehensive knowledge of subject matter	10	
Answers questions accurately and demonstrate originality	10	
Quickly organizes thoughts & expresses them clearly	5	
Time Deductions: (20 points per minute over/under allotted time)	Minus –	
General Comments: -	Final Score	
	Place:	