
District FFA Public Speaking Judge's Critique Sheet

Contestant _____ Chapter _____ Division _____

Circle the appropriate symbol: NI = needs improvement F = fair G = good E = excellent

A. Content of Manuscript

a. Topic fits the speech division	NI	F	G	E
b. Correct grammar and spelling	NI	F	G	E
c. Appropriate bibliography	NI	F	G	E
d. Organization of Content	NI	F	G	E

Additional Comments: _____

B. Presentation of Speech

a. Confidence, posture, poise	NI	F	G	E
b. Gestures, movement, eye contact	NI	F	G	E
c. Memorization of speech	NI	F	G	E

Additional Comments: _____

C. Response to Questions

a. Complete answers	NI	F	G	E
b. Concise and brief	NI	F	G	E
c. Answers indicate knowledge of subject	NI	F	G	E

Additional Comments: _____

D. General Effect

a. Speed was appropriate	NI	F	G	E
b. Voice quality was appropriate	NI	F	G	E

Additional Comments: _____

Time of Speech: _____ 1 point is deducted for every 10 seconds over 8 minutes and under 6 minutes.

Official FFA Dress is Appropriate (Circle One) Yes No

Additional Comments: _____

Judge's Score Sheet

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ITEMS TO BE SCORED	Points Allowed	Points Awarded Participants									
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A. CONTENT OF MANUSCRIPT	25										
Guidelines: 1. Accurate statements 2. Sentence structure 3. Unity of thought 4. Accomplishment of purpose 5. Bibliography *Extemporaneous (A. Content of Speech)											
B. PRESENTATION OF SPEECH	50										
Guidelines: 1. Confidence and poise 2. Sincerity and directness 3. Eye contact and facial expression 4. Posture 5. Gestures 6. Body movement 7. Memorization of speech											
C. RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS	25										
Guidelines: 1. Concise and brief 2. Complete answer 3. Convincing 4. Knowledge and familiarity of subject											
DEDUCTION POINTS											
1. Overtime 8 min. 1 pt./10 seconds 2. Undertime 6 min. 1 pt./10 seconds *8th Grade Agriculture Exploration (4-6 min) *Extemporaneous (4-6 min.) NOT IN OFFICIAL FFA DRESS 5 pt. deduction											
TOTALS	100										
FINAL PLACING OF CONTESTANTS											

Method of Selecting Winners

1. It is recommended that three competent and impartial persons judge each division. A timekeeper will be designated to record the time used by each participant.
2. Each judge will be provided with a typewritten manuscript of each participant's speech that must contain a bibliography and contestant certification form. Failure to comply will mean automatic disqualification of the participant.
3. Judges should be seated in different sections of the room in which the event is held. Each judge will score each participant based on the criteria of the judge's score sheet provided.
4. Following the presentation, each judge will formulate and ask questions. Questions will pertain directly to the material presented by the speaker. The full five minutes allotted for questions should be used. Judges will score each participant on the ability to answer all questions asked by all judges.
5. Judges will return copies of the manuscript to each contestant as they exit the contest room.
6. No tape recorders or video machines will be allowed in the contest room.
7. When all participants have finished speaking, each judge will total the score for each participant. The timekeeper's record will be used in computing deductions for over/under time. On the bottom line of the score sheet, each judge will rank each participant in numerical order based on the final score. Judges will complete the judging process without consultation with each other.
8. Each judge's score sheet will be submitted to the designated event superintendent to determine the final ranking of participants. The lowest total of the final ranking is the winner. In the event two judges place a participant first, he/she is automatically first. In the event of a tie in the final ranking, the participant that two judges place highest will be determined the winner.