



Texas Forensic Association

Novice Extemporaneous Speaking Ballot

Contestant's Printed Name: _____ School Code: _____

Round: _____ Section: _____ Speaker Number: _____

Topic Question: _____

Judge's Instructions: Evaluate the speaker using the following *CRITERIA*. * Please offer justification for the ranking in the round and provide constructive suggestions to improve the student's skills.

***NOTE: TIME LIMIT FOR THIS EVENT IS 7 minutes with a 30 second grace period.**

Criteria for Evaluation

Judge's Remarks

Analysis and Content: Did the speaker analyze the topic adequately? Did the content show that the speaker has adequate knowledge of the subject? Was the content relevant to the topic?

Introduction: Did the speaker get your attention and introduce the subject in an interesting manner? Did it relate to the rest of the speech?

Organization: Were the ideas carefully selected and set forth in the speech?

Supporting Materials: Did the speaker have adequate support for his/her assertions? Was the evidence pertinent and logically set forth?

Style: Did the speaker exhibit command of informal conversational style, rather than stilted or formal usage? Was the language communicative rather than "memorized?"

Oral Presentation: Was the speaker's speech devoid of dialectical errors, mannerisms, etc. that call attention to themselves rather than communicate the ideas presented? Did the speaker's bodily action contribute to his/her skill of communication?

Time (length of speech): _____

Rank the speaker. Circle one (1st being best, etc. *Each student must be given a rank- there cannot be a tie)

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th *No Show*

Judge's Printed Name: _____ **Affiliation** _____

Judge's Signature: _____