

ORIGINAL ORATORY

Maximum time limit: 10 minutes (A description of the event is on the back) **Memorized after January 1.**

Criteria for Evaluation

Please place the letter representing the appropriate rating in each blank below:

S [Superior]

E [Excellent]

G [Good]

F [Fair]

____ *Introduction:* Catches the audience's attention; thesis establishes central idea of speech.

____ *Body:* Speaker narrows topic sufficiently; adheres to topic; supports thesis with clear and persuasive development of ideas, examples, and authoritative citations.

____ *Structure:* Distinct introduction, body and conclusion. Transitions effectively move the audience from one element of the speech to the next.

____ *Conclusion:* Summarizes main points; leaves audience with clear understanding of central idea of speech.

____ *Language:* Speaker uses words accurately, appropriately, and effectively. Speech should be well written, employing concrete, specific language and rhetorical devices.

____ *Delivery:* Speaker projects and articulates well; develops audience rapport; uses appropriate facial, bodily and vocal expression; is fluent and free of unnecessary hesitation; displays poise and self-confidence.

Comments

Speaker's Code _____ **Title** _____

Rank (Please circle one; NO ties allowed): 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th

Overall Rating (Please circle one; ties are permissible): SUPERIOR EXCELLENT GOOD FAIR

Time _____

Judge _____

Signature