

## **RADIO SPEAKING (5 Minutes)**

- A. A list of participants in each event shall be posted. Participants will perform in the order in which their names appear on the list. If unable to do so because of a schedule conflict, the coach shall contact the Tournament manager for an adjustment in the schedule.
- B. The student entering radio speaking shall:
  - 1. Prepare and present a script which contains news, weather, and sports.
  - 2. Use copy no more than 24 hours old - as of the Tournament's first round - to prepare the script.
  - 3. Use no commercials.
  - 4. Not portray multiple characters.
- C. Each presentation shall be read without the use of a microphone. The judge shall turn his or her back to the speaker while hearing the presentation.
- D. The contestant's voice shall be pleasing when heard on radio. His/her articulation should be clear; enunciation distinct and pronunciation accurate. The student's voice including quality, pitch, volume, modulation and rate should be used to good advantage. The individual should have a thorough understanding of the material.
- E. The speaking time shall be five (5) minutes (see Section 6-12-f-vi).
- F. Judging Criteria:
  - 1. Voice: Was the voice, including quality, pitch, volume, and rate, used to good advantage? Was the voice well-modulated?
  - 2. Phrasing: Did the phrasing bring out the meaning of the news? Did it allow for the proper breathing? Did it provide smooth continuity to the material read? Were the inflections varied, flexible, and meaningful? Did they fit the context of the material read?
  - 3. Reading: Was the reading clearly articulated? Was pronunciation accurate and was enunciation distinct and appropriate to the speaker?
  - 4. Speaking Technique: Was breathing inaudible? Did the speaker eliminate script noise?
  - 5. Composition: Was material well arranged? Were proper transitions made? Was excessive filler used? Were stories well developed and interesting?
  - 6. Timing: Did the speaker effectively utilize the five (5) minutes with a minimum of "dead air" or overtime?  
NOTE: Oral critiques are not permitted.
- G. ELECTRONICS USE: The use of electronic devices, including cell phones, without sound capabilities in Radio Speaking is permitted.
- H. A violation of any rule/regulation for this event will result in disqualification from the event. Any official protest of a disqualification shall be directed to and ruled upon by the Tournament grievance committee who has the authority to overturn a disqualification.