Texas Forensic Association
Domestic Extemporaneous Speaking Ballot

Contestant’s Printed Name: ___________________________________________ School Code: __________
Round: ___________________ Section: ________________ Speaker Number: __________
Topic: __________________________________________________________________________

**Judge’s Instructions:** Evaluate the speaker using the following CRITERIA.
* Please offer justification for the ranking in the round and provide constructive suggestions for improvement.

**Judge may verify evidence and rank student based on accuracy.**

**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? Is the evidence credible?

**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)

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