Texas Forensic Association
Original Oratory 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 to improve the student’s skills.

Analysis and Content: Did the speaker analyze the topic adequately? Is the subject worthwhile and fresh?

Introduction: Did the speaker get your attention and introduce the subject in an interesting manner? Did it apply 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 supporting materials for the main ideas presented?

Style: Did the speaker enunciate? Was the language usage better than average? Was style appropriate for the topic?

Conclusion: Was the conclusion concise? Was it well motivated? Did it effectively tie the speech together?

Oral Presentation: Was the speaker communicative? Were mannerisms and posture appropriate? Did the speaker convey ideas effectively?

*NOTE: TIME LIMIT FOR THIS EVENT is 10 minutes with a 30 second grace

Judge’s Remarks

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: ____________________________________________