

DUTIES OF A STATE OFFICER DISTRICT SPEAKING CONTESTS

1. Be early to help with registration and any last minute things that the advisor needs help with.
2. Help to clarify any questions about the various contests - rules or procedures. Consult your handbook and the district host handbook for rules. Call me if there is a major question.
3. Meet and greet people as they arrive.
4. Hopefully, the advisor will have some type of a welcome/opening for the participants. Be prepared to give a welcome and words of encouragement to the participants.
5. During the contest, if you are not serving as a timekeeper, moderator etc. help people get to their rooms and mix and mingle with contestants and advisors. **REMEMBER DO NOT SERVE AS A JUDGE.** Also make sure that students that haven't participated yet are in a quiet area so they can prepare themselves for their competitions. Students in contests where questions are used and are the same for each contestant should not mix with those that have already competed. They should still be in the "Holding Room" waiting to compete.
6. **HAND OUT AWARDS.** Once a contest area is complete, make sure that all of the results have been compiled by the host advisor, the result sheets are completed and that you understand how the judges have written the results on the official results sheet.

Also make sure that all of those contestants are present to present the awards. Some people may leave early but at least check so if they have moved to a different area of the school, they aren't missing out on the announcement of the results.

Introduce the judges from that contest and tell the contestants that they may speak to them after the results are announced.

You can announce third through fifth place too if you have them because sometimes the first and second place cancel and we need to fill in those vacancies, so it is good for the contestants to at least know how they placed if we would have to call someone.

When presenting awards, name the second place individual first and then announce the winner. Both first and second place individuals and teams advance to the sectional contest.

7. Remind them of the date and location of your sectional contest.
8. Help the host gather together all of the results and confidential materials which need to be sent back to me the very next day. The best thing to do is have the state officer collect all the material and take from the contest sites to send to Mrs. Zimmerman. As you help package up the materials, make sure that the host has included both the first and last names of all the participants and their schools.

JUST REMEMBER TO ALWAYS BE THERE TO ASSIST THE HOST ADVISOR IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE.

Summary of District Speaking Contest Participation

Please complete this form and return it to the Wisconsin FFA Center with all other materials indicated. This is important information for us to keep track of for future sponsorship and support of our FFA competitions and also for checking eligibility and membership requirements.

Year _____ Section # _____

Host Chapter _____

Contest	Total Number of ALL Participants
Creed	_____
Prepared	_____
Extemporaneous	_____
Discussion Meet	_____
Parliamentary Procedure	_____ Teams
Quiz Bowl	_____ Teams
Job Interview	_____

Remember Team Member Names for Each Team participating in Parliamentary Procedure and Quiz Bowl must be submitted. Membership checks will be done on all participants.

RETURN IMMEDIATELY TO:
Wisconsin FFA Center
P.O. Box 110
Spencer, WI 54479