

Public Speaking Scoring System

Nine judges evaluated each speaker at the Eastern Region 4-H Speaking Contest: 5 judges in Prepared and 4 in Extemporaneous. The highest and lowest scores in each category were dropped. For example, if Speaker A received scores of 90, 85, 80, 75 and 70 in prepared speaking, the 90 and the 70 would be dropped and Speaker A would receive the average of 85, 80 and 75 as their prepared score. Likewise in Extemporaneous the same process was used except with scores from 4 judges.

The Prepared scores shown (Prep Total) represent an average of the three Prepared judges scores. A perfect score would 100.

The Extemporaneous scores shown (Ext Total) represent an average of the two Extemporaneous judges scores. Again a perfect score would be 100.

The Grand Total represents a composite of the Prepared and Extemporaneous average where the Prepared score counts 75% and the Extemporaneous score counts 25%. A perfect score would also be 100.

Point to Remember: All scores are relative to the contest and the competition. For example, an average of 85 in one age group does not necessarily correspond to an 85 in the other group.