Illinois 4-H Public Speaking

FORMAL SPEECH – BEGINNER (8-13 YEARS OLD)

Illinois Extension
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

Name _____ County _____ Rating _____

Time: 4-5 Minutes allowed_____

A **Formal Speech** should share the presenter's own unique view and intends to motivate, persuade, or inform an audience and may include a call to action. Youth deliver a speech on any topic they wish.

Criteria	Comments	Points Available	Points Awarded
Clarity of Purpose *Is the purpose and intent of the speaker easy to identify?*		**20**	
Command of Subject Matter *Does the speaker understand the topic and the related concepts? Do the points made make sense?*		**20**	
Originality *Does the speaker address the topic in a unique, inventive way? Are the supporting examples new and interesting?*		**20**	
Physical presence | eye contact | use of gestures		**20**	
Relatability to the audience| Inclusive rhetoric *Can the audience relate to the topic? Is the delivery personable? Does the speaker establish how others are impacted by their topic? Is the rhetoric of the speech inclusive?*		**20**	
Deductions	1 point deduction for every 30 seconds over/under time		
TOTAL POINTS		**100**	

Overall Comments:

Use back of page for additional comments if necessary

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