

## **GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL EVENTS**

## Failure to follow the stated guidelines may result in disqualification of student competing.

All students wishing to compete in TAFE or Educators Rising events must complete the following:

- Be an active paid member of Educators Rising for the current school year. To join as a National Active
  level member, <u>click here</u> to create your account and then complete the online application and purchase
  process. Additionally your chapter must have paid its TAFE State Dues for the current school year. <u>TAFE</u>
  State dues must be paid in full by November 1st.
- Register to attend your TAFE Area Conference or the TAFE Teach Tomorrow Summit. Registration for the conference does not register your students for competitive events.
- Sign up to compete in competitive events and submit all required materials by the stated deadline on the TAFE <u>Guidelines & Rubrics</u> page located on the <u>TAFE Website</u>.

## **GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS**

NOTE: General rules and regulations apply to all competitive events and are in addition to each event's specific guidelines.

## **Eligibility**

- Competitors must be a paid active-level student member of Educators Rising prior to competing at an Area or State Conference.
- Competitors can only compete in 3 events of which no more than 2 can be national events. ELF Test, Student of the Year, and Breakout Session do not count as part of the 3 events.
- For Educators Rising National Events, the Top 10 highest scoring entries in each level will be eligible to compete at the Educators Rising National Conference. In addition to being in the Top 10, students must have earned 70% of available points at Area to advance to State and 80% of available points at State to advance to Nationals.
  - Students may only compete in one individual event and one team event at the Educators Rising National Conference. Dual events count as an individual event.

## **Competitive Event Entries**

- All submitted materials must reflect original work from the 2023-2024 school year. Materials that may
  have been created or submitted in previous years are ineligible. All competitors must complete a
  Statement of Originality form for each event they are participating in.
- Each competitive event guideline will identify what materials are required for submission prior to the conference. Failure to submit required materials by the deadline will result in disqualification. Files should be uploaded using this template for a file name: division.schoolintials.eventabbreviation for example: JV.RRHS.ED
- All video files that are submitted in advance must be uploaded to <u>YouTube</u>. All competitors should also have the video available offline on their computer or on a flash drive.
- All presentations or presentation resources should be available for offline use. Internet access may not be available at all locations.



## TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF FUTURE EDUCATORS COMPETITIVE EVENTS

## **Levels of Competition**

- The breakdown of grades noted below is used to designate levels for competitive event entries. Not all competitive events are open to all divisions. Please refer to the event guidelines to check the levels eligible to compete in that event. Teams consisting of students from varying grade levels should be registered in the level of the most senior member.
  - Middle School Grades 7 & 8
  - o Junior Varsity Grades 9 & 10
  - o Varsity Grades 11 & 12
  - o Collegiate Undergraduate Students
  - Special Edition This is for students who have an IEP. It is specifically designed to accommodate special needs students who require accommodations to compete.

## **Conference Registration, Attendance, & Participation in Events**

- Teacher leaders must login to the TAFE website and register for the conference they are attending.
   Registration for the conference does not register your students for competitive events. Please follow
   the instructions provided on the <u>TAFE Website</u> to register for competitive events. Students whose teacher
   leader fails to register for the conference or competitive events before the deadline will not be allowed to
   attend or compete.
- Competitors should observe professional dress as defined by the <u>Dress Code Compliance Form</u>. Students will not be allowed to compete if they are not compliant with the dress code. By attending any TAFE sponsored event or conference, you agree to be compliant with the dress code.
- Judges scores are final Teacher Leaders, Chaperones, and Parents are prohibited from approaching judges to discuss scoring or feedback. If a school/district is found in violation of this, they will lose IN GOOD STANDING status with the TAFE association. All questions or concerns should be brought to the attention of the officers and/or TAFE Staff putting on the event.
- The schedule of competitors will be followed as closely as possible. Please understand that events can run behind and ahead of schedule throughout the day. Please be sure and follow all forms of TAFE communication so you do not miss the opportunity to compete.

## **Designation of Awards**

- Students will receive awards based on the number of points scored on the event rubric. All those
  receiving a certificate will be recognized on screen during the Closing General Session at the Teach
  Tomorrow Summit. Awards will be given as follows. The following awards will be given at Area & State
  Conferences:
  - National Qualifier (Varying criteria State Conference Only)
  - State Qualifier (Area conference Only)
  - o Gold Certificate (90% to 100% of total points awarded only at State)
  - o Silver Certificate (80% to 89% of total points awarded only at State)
  - Bronze Certificate (70% to 79% of total points awarded only at State)
  - o **Did Not Place** (0% to 69% of total points awarded only at State)

## **Area TAFE Conference To-Do List**

- Register for your local conference (September 28, 2023 October 10, 2023)
- Register for competitive events (September 28, 2023 October 10, 2023)

## **State TAFE Conference To-Do List**

- Register to attend the 2023 TAFE State Conference (December 11, 2023 January 26, 2024)
- Register for a time to compete at the 2023 TAFE State Conference (January 29, 2024 February 2, 2024)



\$100 Scholarship to Judge's Choice Winner

## **National Qualifying Competition**

Competitors may only compete in one event at the national level.

Entries Per Chapter	2 entries per division
Type of Event	Individual
State Competition	Yes
National Competition	Yes
National Education and Training Career Cluster Knowledge and Skill Statements	EDPA01, EDPA02, EDPA03, EDC02, EDC05, and EDC09
Principles of Education and Training <u>TEKS</u>	b4; 1A, C-J; 2A-D; 6A-D; 7A
Human Growth and Development <u>TEKS</u>	b4; 1A, C, E-I; 12 A-C
Instructional Practices in Education and Training <u>TEKS</u>	b4; 1A, C, E-J; 2B-C; 10A-D
Practicum in Education and Training <u>TEKS</u>	b4; 1A, C, E-J
Child Development <u>TEKS</u>	b4; 1A, C-E; 6F, G
Child Guidance <u>TEKS</u>	b4; 1A, C-E; 10A, E, F
College and Career Readiness Skills	ELA IA-1, 2, 4,5; IVA-1,2 B1,2; VA1,3: Cross disciplinary IA-1, IIB-1,2,3

**NOTE**: The members of the Competitive Events/Service Committee selected TEKS from the Education and Training Career Cluster and the Human Services Career Cluster (specifically child development and child guidance) that they thought were most applicable regardless of the specific project/topics selected for each event. However, depending on the specific project, other TEKS might also apply.



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Failure to follow the stated guidelines could result in disqualification of student competing. Competitors must log into the EdRising Membership Portal to submit competition/contest applications.

## All students wishing to compete at the Educators Rising National Conference must complete 3 required steps:

- 1. Be an Active level paid national member of Educators Rising for the current school year. State-level membership must be paid, if applicable. To join as a National Active level member, <u>click here</u> to create your account and then complete the online application and purchase process.
- Complete the online application and upload all required materials by the stated deadline on the <u>National Competition page</u> located in the Student Resources section in the EdRising Membership Portal. This is NOT done automatically if you competed at a state or regional conference.
- 3. Register to attend the Educators Rising National Conference.

#### **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

NOTE: General rules and regulations apply to all competitive events and are in addition to each event's specific guidelines.

#### **Eligibility**

- Students must be a paid Active-level student member of Educators Rising no later than February 1st of the year in which they are competing. Check or credit card payment must be received in the National Office by February 15th to be considered an Active-level member.
- Students may only compete in one competitive event.
- For contests: Teacher leaders may enter up to two entries (individual or dual) per school in each event per division.
  - Dual means two students participating.
  - For dual entries consisting of students of varying grade levels, the entry will be placed in the division for the grade level of the most senior member.
- For competitions: Teacher leaders may enter up to two entries per school in each individual event per division and one team for team events per division. Competitions/contests which are marked as individual or dual will be considered individual events for this purpose.
  - All team events must have at least two students (and no more than four) per school to qualify.
  - o For teams consisting of students of varying

- grade levels, the team will be placed in the division for the grade level of the most senior member.
- If a competitor is from a state that holds state competitions/contests, they must first qualify in that given event at their state conference before competing in that event at the Educators Rising National Conference. Contact your state/regional coordinator to see if your state offers competitions/contests. Visit our state program page on the Educators Rising national website to contact your state/regional coordinator.
- For states that offer state-level competitions, the
  top ten places in each competition for each division
  offered by the state will be eligible to compete at
  the Educators Rising National Conference; for
  contests, entries scoring 97-100 will be eligible to
  advance to nationals; no other entrants from states
  that offer the competition/contests at the state
  level will be eligible for those state-level-offered
  competitions/and contests. For nationals, schools
  are permitted to replace up to fifty percent of the
  original team members that qualified at the statelevel.
- For states that do not offer state-level competitions/contests, students may register to compete in those events at the Educators Rising National Conference. This applies to all Educators Rising national competitions/contests.
  - For example, if you want to compete in Public Speaking but place eleventh or lower in your state-level Public Speaking

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competition or don't compete in the statelevel competitions at all — you, cannot compete in Public Speaking at the National Conference this year. If you live in a state that didn't hold a Public Speaking statelevel competition, you may register to compete in that event at the Educators Rising National Conference.

#### **Competition Entries**

- All submitted materials must reflect original work from the 2023-2024 school year. Material that may have been created or submitted in previous years is ineligible.
- In order to be scheduled to compete in a national competition, all competitor applications, national dues, and required materials must be submitted online by the deadline stated on the <u>National</u> <u>Competitions page</u> in the Student Resources Section of the EdRising Membership Portal.
  - All competitions and contests require an online application submission even if no additional items need to be submitted.
  - For team competitions only one application should be submitted, all participating students are to be listed as team members in all places indicated on the application form.
  - Each competition guideline will identify what materials are required for submission prior to the competition. Failure to submit the required materials by the submission deadline will result in disqualification.
  - Students who have won state-level competitions must also submit their entries on the national website by the deadline to compete at the national conference. Your state does not do this for you.
- All video files that are submitted in advance must be uploaded to either YouTube or Vimeo and be linked on the application form. Videos will not be accepted by mail. All competitors should also bring a copy of the video file on a USB drive to the conference. Educators Rising competitions comply with FERPA regarding student privacy and video security. Competitors are responsible for ensuring that their competition videos comply with local and state requirements regarding student privacy.
- Except when explicitly specified, the Internet may not

be used during a competition presentation at the Educators Rising National Conference. All relevant files and resources should be brought to the competition site on a USB drive. All Prezi files should be downloaded to the USB drive. Internet access may not be available during the competition. Laptops and projectors will be provided. Students should bring their own pointing device if needed.

#### **LEVELS OF COMPETITION**

- The breakdown of grades noted below is used to designate levels for competition entries. Not all competitions are open to all divisions.
  - o Middle School Grades 7, 8
  - High School Junior Varsity— Grades 9, 10
  - High School Varsity level Grades 11, 12
  - Collegiate level Undergraduates only
- Teams consisting of students from varying grade levels will be placed in the division for the grade level of the most senior member.
- For Competitions: Medals and certificates will be presented to the top three entries in each division for individual competitions. Trophies and certificates will be presented to the top three entries in each division for team competitions. Places fourth through ten will receive electronic certificates after the conference. For Contests: Ribbons will be awarded to students in each category in each division with scores as follows:
  - o Blue-Scores 98-100
  - o Red-Scores 94-97
  - White-Scores 90-93

## Conference Registration, Attendance, and Participation in Events

- All competitors must attend the Educators Rising
  National Conference and plan to arrive no later than
  11 am on the first day of the conference. Conference
  dates and locations will be posted on the Educators
  Rising website and Membership Portal.
- Competitors must report to their assigned areas on time. Failure to report at their scheduled time can result in disqualification. Competition schedules will be posted in the Educators Rising Membership Portal one month prior to the conference. Be sure to check these schedules prior to planning your travel. Competitors should plan to be available for competitions from opening day through the awards ceremony.
- Competitors are expected to dress in business-casual attire. (See the section Competition Dress Code for details on what is acceptable.) Points will be deducted

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from the entrant's score for failing to follow the dress code.

- Spectators are only permitted in the competitions marked "Open to Spectators." This includes parents, chaperones, teacher leaders, and other attendees.
   Spectators may not coach or offer any verbal or nonverbal assistance to a contestant during that contestant's assigned time slot with the judges. A breach of this guideline may result in the disqualification of the contestant.
- Teacher Leaders, Chaperones, and Parents are prohibited from approaching judges to discuss scoring or feedback. All questions or concerns should be brought to the attention of a national office staff member.

#### **Competition Dress Code**

All competitors are expected to dress in business-casual attire when competing. Refer to the guidelines below for a detailed explanation of what is and is not permissible as "business casual.

## Slacks, Pants, and Suit Pants

Slacks that are similar to Dockers and other makers of cotton or synthetic material pants, wool pants, flannel pants, dressy capris, and nice-looking dress synthetic pants are acceptable. Inappropriate slacks or pants include jeans, sweatpants, exercise pants, Bermuda shorts, short shorts, shorts, bib overalls, leggings, and any spandex or other form-fitting pants that people wear for biking.

## Skirts, Dresses, and Skirted Suits

Casual dresses and skirts, and skirts that are split at or below the knee are acceptable. Dress and skirt length should be at a length at which you can sit comfortably in public. Mini skirts, skorts, sun dresses, and spaghetti-strap dresses are inappropriate.

### Shirts, Tops, Blouses, and Jackets

Casual shirts, dress shirts, sweaters, tops, and polo shirts are acceptable. Educators Rising polo shirts are encouraged. Inappropriate attire includes tank tops; midriff tops; shirts with potentially offensive words, terms, logos, pictures, cartoons, or slogans; halter tops; tops with bare shoulders; sweatshirts, and t-shirts unless worn under another blouse, shirt, jacket, or dress.

#### Shoes and Footwear

Conservative athletic or walking shoes, loafers, clogs, sneakers, boots, flats, dress heels, and leather decktype shoes are acceptable. Flashy athletic shoes, thongs, flip-flops, and slippers are not acceptable.

### Hats and Head Covering

Hats are not appropriate inside the building. Head covers that are required for religious purposes or to honor cultural traditions are allowed.

### **Citations, References, and Copyrighted Material**

- All ideas, text, images, and sound from other sources used for the competition must be cited in competition submissions.
- Competitors are strongly discouraged from using copyrighted material in their competition entries. If copyrighted material is used, written permissions must be obtained for the rights to display and present media-related materials at the Educators Rising National Conference and to post media-related materials on the Educators Rising website. All permissions obtained to use copyrighted material must be included with the entry submission. (Note: This requirement applies to music used in videos, graphics taken from the internet, and other media-related materials. It does not apply to artifacts collected for a project.)
- Plagiarism is strictly prohibited in all documents submitted. Judges can disqualify students from competing if it is determined that any part of their documents have been plagiarized.

#### **Electronic Devices**

- Recording devices are not allowed in competitive events.
- All electronic devices—including but not limited to, cell phones, iPads/tablets, electronic readers, smart watches, etc.—must be turned off unless otherwise noted in specific event regulations.
- No electronic communication devices of any kind are permitted during competition.

## **Student Responsibilities for Competitions**

- Students who participate in any Educators Rising competitive event are responsible for knowing all updates, changes, and clarifications related to that event. Students and advisors must routinely check the EdRising Membership Portal for updated information.
- Entrants grant Educators Rising the right to use and publish the submission in print, online, or in any media without compensation.
- Entrants grant Educators Rising the right to post photos of students for promotional purposes on the Educators Rising website, Membership Portal, and social media sites.

## CHECKLIST FOR APPLYING FOR EDUCATORS RISING NATIONAL COMPETITIONS

## Ready to compete at Nationals?

Here is a checklist to help you get prepared, registered, and on the official schedule for nationals!

SUBMISSIONS OPEN: **FEBRUARY 1, 2024 8:00 A.M.** EASTERN TIME
DEADLINE TO SUBMIT COMPETITION APPLICATIONS: **APRIL 8, 2024 5:00 P.M.** EASTERN TIME
DEADLINE FOR COMPETITORS TO REGISTER FOR CONFERENCE: **APRIL 8, 2024 5:00 P.M.** EASTERN TIME

Review the full national competition guidelines and rubric. Check the Resources Section in the EdRising Membership Portal. Some processes may be different from your state/regional conference.
<b>Update your contact information in the EdRising Membership Portal for the summer.</b> It is recommended that students use a personal mail address where they can receive Educators Rising email communication. Confirmations and reminder emails will be sent to the email listed on the competition application. Please note, that some school emails do not allow for Educators Rising emails to be received.
Step one: Go to the National Competition page in the EdRising Membership Portal. Step two: Click on the title of the competition for which you are signing up to compete. Step three: Read the guidelines and rubrics. Step four: Click Apply, which will take you to the national competition online application platform. All competitors must submit the online competition application even if no additional documents need to be submitted. This only registers you for the competitions, you will still need to register for the conference separately.
Complete the online application, upload any required documents/video links, and submit. Depending on your competition, some of these items are judged <u>before</u> the conference so make sure they are in their final form. Recommendation: Have someone proofread your documents prior to submitting them.
You must complete and submit the online application by the deadline stated on the <u>National</u> <u>Competitions page</u> in the Student Resources section of the EdRising Membership Portal to be registered to compete at the Educators Rising National Conference.
For competitions that have multiple students participating only one application should be submitted and all students need to be listed as team members in all places indicated on the application form.
Print and save your confirmation email. You will need this information when you register for the conference.
<b>Register to attend the Educators Rising National Conference</b> . All national conference information, including how to register, can be found on the <a href="Educators Rising National website">Educators Rising National website</a> .
Find out when you are scheduled to compete onsite. Competition schedules will be posted in the EdRising Membership Portal one month prior to the conference. Go to the Resources section to find the posted schedules. Be sure to check these schedules prior to planning your travel. Competitors should plan to be available for competitions from 1 PM (conference time zone) on opening day through the awards celebration on the afternoon of the last day.
<b>Practice, practice!</b> The best way to prepare for your on-site competition is to practice in front of your peers. Recommendation: Reread the National Competition Guidelines and Rubric for your competition.
<b>Head to Nationals!</b> The top 10 for each competition and the students scoring 90-100 for each contest will be announced at the National Conference Awards Celebration on the final day of the conference. Don't miss your chance to be recognized! Be sure that when you plan your transportation for the conference you can attend this final celebration.



**COMPETITION TYPE:** Individual — Closed to spectators **ELIGIBILITY LEVELS:** Middle School, High School Junior Varsity, High School Varsity **EDUCATORS RISING STANDARDS:** 

Standard II: Learning About Students

Standard VII: Engaging in Reflective Practice

## **Contest Purpose**

Successful operation of an education institution requires competent administration. Administrators provide direction, leadership, and day-to-day management of educational activities in schools and other education institutions. The purpose of this competition is to learn more about education administration careers through job shadowing and interviewing a current education administrator. Some common education administration jobs include the following:

- School Principal
- Assistant/Vice Principal
- District Superintendent

- School District Administrator (Chief Academic Officer, Assistant Superintendent, etc.)
- Private School Dean
- College/University Administrator

Contestants will select one education administrator that works within their school district or local college or university and will receive permission from the administrator to job shadow him/her for a total of eight hours. The eight hours are not expected to be consecutive; rather they are accumulated over a period of several days or weeks and occur when the administrator is actively engaged in his/her work.

Contestants will complete and submit when registering for the competition, the following two career-exploration documents:

- Administrator's verification form
- Interview form

Contestants will also create a PowerPoint or Prezi presentation no shorter than five minutes and no longer than seven minutes that will be presented on-site to a panel of judges, followed by a discussion featuring questions from judges. Presentations should reflect on the experiences and insights gained into the career.

## **Competition Guidelines**

- A. The administrator's verification form must be completed and submitted online when registering for the competition.
- B. The contestant must conduct a 15-minute interview with the administrator. Contestants will also submit the interview form online when registering for the competition. The interview form must be typed. Handwritten forms will not be accepted.
- C. All documents must be typed in English.
- D. Contestants will deliver a PowerPoint or Prezi presentation no shorter than five minutes and no longer than seven minutes reflecting on their experience and insights gained into a career in education administration. Competitors should

- bring their presentation on a USB drive. Note: Contestants should not bring portfolios or other materials to onsite judging. These items will not be reviewed by judges.
- E. One judge will also serve as timekeeper. Speakers will receive a visual, non-verbal indication that there is one-minute remaining when they reach the six-minute mark of their speeches. Speakers will be stopped at seven minutes.
- F. Contestants will respond to judges' follow-up questions. The entire presentation and question session will last a total of no more than 15 minutes.

## Judging and scoring

- 1. The judges' decisions are final.
- 2. Scoring is based on the Exploring Education Administration Careers Competition rubric.

## **Application**

All competitors must complete the online application and upload any required materials by the stated deadline on the <u>National Competition page</u> located in the Student Resources section in the EdRising Membership Portal. **Deadline extensions will NOT be granted.** 



## **ADMINISTRATOR'S VERIFICATION FORM**

- This form should be completed by the administrator who participated in the Exploring Education Administration Careers Competition.
- The contestant will submit the completed form with the other competition entry documents. This form must be typed for submission.

ABOUT THE CONTESTANT		
Contestant's Name	Name of Contest's School	
ABOUT THE ADMINISTRATOR		
Administrator's Name	Administrator's Job Title	
Name of Education Institution		
Total Number of Job Shadowing Hours	s Contestant Completed	
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Administrator's Signature	Date	



## **INTERVIEW FORM**

This form should be completed by the contestant.

- The contestant is to conduct a 15-minute interview of the administrator participating in the Exploring Education Administration Careers Competition. The interview can take place before, during, or after the job shadowing experience.
- The contestant will ask the following five questions and will summarize responses to the interview questions into one paragraph for each question. All responses should be typed.
- The contestant will write in three or more additional questions and will summarize the responses into one paragraph for each question. All questions and responses should be typed.
- The completed form must be submitted with the other competition entry documents. The contestant can use the form provided or may recreate this form in a separate document if more space is needed for responses.

DA <sup>*</sup>	DATE OF INTERVIEW:					
то	BE ASKED OF THE EDUCATION ADMINISTRATOR:					
1.	What kind of preparation did you have for this job?					
2.	What have you learned since becoming an administrator that you didn't know before you took the job?					
3.	What is the best part about being an administrator?					
4.	What is the most challenging aspect of your job?					

5. What is your advice to someone considering a career in education administration?



## **INTERVIEW FORM CONT.**

Contestant will write in at least three additional interview questions and will record summaries of the administrator's responses. Please type all questions and responses. Responses to interview questions should be summarized into one paragraph format.

## **ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS:**

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Note: Be prepared at the on-site competition to summarize, reflect on, and draw conclusions from the content of your interview — do not merely repeat the interviewee's words.



LEVEL (MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR VARSITY, HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY)

## **DETAILED SCORING RUBRIC**

Judges should use this rubric as a guide to assigning points on the Feedback & Tally Sheet.

## **PRE-SCORED COMPONENTS**

## **Interview Form Content**

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Points	20-16	15-11	10-6	5-1
Available	Accomplished	Commendable	Developing	Needs Improvement
Interview Form Content	The document reflects consistent thoughtfulness and professional-caliber thoroughness. The contestant brings out key insights with clarity and nuanced understanding.	The document reflects focus and a commitment to capturing the interviewee's ideas. More nuance and depth would make the document reflect professional-caliber thoroughness.	The document reflects compliance but little more. More thorough responses on the document would demonstrate deeper understanding of the career being explored.	The document is inconsistent in its thoroughness or professional appearance. Responses may reflect incomplete understanding of the content.

## **Interview Form Mechanics**

Points	5	3	1
Available	Flawless	One to two errors	More than two errors
Interview Form Mechanics	Mechanics — including grammar, spelling, punctuation, capitalization, etc. — are without error.	Mechanics — including grammar, spelling, punctuation, capitalization, etc. — contain one or two errors.	Mechanics — including grammar, spelling, punctuation, capitalization, etc. — contain more than two errors and distract from the content and quality of the work.



## **COMPONENTS SCORED ON-SITE**

#### Presentation

Points	15-13	12-9	8-5	4-1
Available	Accomplished	Commendable	Developing	Needs Improvement
Content of Slides	The content of the slides reflects consistent thoughtfulness and thoroughness. The contestant expertly leverages the visual medium to bring out key insights with clarity.	The content of the slides reflects a commendable commitment to sharing key facts and details of the contestant's experience and research through a basic slide deck.	The content of the slides reflects compliance but minimal insight. The images employed may be basic or not entirely effective at amplifying the contestant's messages.	The content of the slides reflects inconsistent focus and quality. The images or text may distract the audience from the contestant's intended message, or that message may lack focus. Content may be missing, off-topic, or superficial.
Presentation of Slides	The presentation of the slides reflects consistent thoughtfulness and thoroughness. The contestant expertly leverages the medium of a slide deck presentation to bring out key insights with clarity and professionalism. The slides amplify — and never distract from — the clear and substantive messages being communicated.	The presentation of the slides reflects a commitment to sharing key facts and details of the contestant's experience and research. The contestant utilizes a basic slide deck to share information. The presentation could benefit from a small number of tweaks to be consistently professional-caliber.	The presentation of the slides reflects compliance to the guidelines but does not explore the material with sufficient depth to achieve strong impact.	The presentation of the slides reflects incomplete understanding or focus. The presentation may be basic or contain moments that distract from the contestant's messages. Those messages may lack clarity or focus.
Presence	The contestant's sustained eye contact, effective posture, clarity of voice, and professional demeanor, expertly complement the substance of the presentation to deliver maximum possible impact to the listener.	The contestant's mostly sustained eye contact, positive posture, clear voice, and pleasant demeanor complement the content of the speech quite well. The contestant may appear to slip in and out of professional character when beginning and concluding the speech. With further practice, the speaker could develop into an accomplished public contestant.	The contestant's inconsistent eye contact, posture, clarity of voice, or demeanor may reflect a straightforward recital of the material.  The contestant could do more to fully capitalize on the added impact possible with a focused, sustained presence.	The contestant displays effort but his/her eye contact, posture, clarity of voice, or demeanor could benefit from significantly more practice and coaching so that the speaker's presence consistently complements the content.



Points	15-13	12-9	8-5	4-1
Available	Accomplished	Commendable	Developing	Needs Improvement
Depth of Analysis	The contestant synthesizes his/her learning from the career exploration experience with skill, clarity, and depth.	The contestant offers good ideas and insight about the career exploration experience but stays primarily at a surface-level for analysis.	The contestant depends significantly on reciting the interviewee's words or provides limited analysis of the career exploration experience.	The presentation offers very little or no insight or quality analysis into the contestant's takeaways from the career exploration experience.
Q&A	The contestant's responses in the Q&A session demonstrated consistent thoughtfulness and professional-caliber insight, rooted in the deep experience of exploring this career path. The contestant displays impressive, professional-level depth of knowledge and understanding given his/her experience and research.	The contestant's responses in the Q&A session demonstrated thoughtfulness and reflected successful attempts to address most of the material posed to him/her. The contestant displays some substantive knowledge and understanding of the selected career based on his/her experience and research.	The contestant's responses in the Q&A session reflected a broad spectrum of levels of quality from answer to answer.	The contestant's responses in the Q&A session reflected limited understanding or misunderstanding of the presentation guidelines, expectations, or the career to be explored.
Overall Impact	The presentation is thoroughly professional caliber in the expert blending of style, substance, and impromptu responses to questions.	The presentation is commendable for its effort and the presenter's desire to take on this challenge the contestant makes direct, straightforward points that could convey greater impact with guided practice in presentation creation and delivery.	The presentation reflects a developing effort in exploring the selected career. Additional depth or articulating understanding would improve the presentation significantly.	The presentation requires a significant re-examining of the career exploration process undertaken for the competition. Limited depth or misunderstanding hindered the presentation from offering the level of insight that it could.

## Length

Points Available	5	0
	i i	Initial presentation (before Q&A) is shorter than five minutes or had to be stopped at seven minutes.



LEVEL (MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR VARSITY, HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY)

Student Name:	
Student's School, City, State:	
Organization & Job Title of Student's Interviewee:	

- Judges will use the Detailed Scoring Rubric as their guide to score students' competition entries.
- Points and feedback will be emailed to the student competitors no later than two weeks after the conference.

### **PRE-SCORED COMPONENTS**

## Interview Form Content

	Accomplished	Commendable	Developing	Needs Improvement	Score
Interview Form Content	20-16	15-11	10-6	5-1	

## **Interview Form Mechanics**

	Flawless	One to two errors	More than two errors	Score
Interview Form Mechanics	5	3	1	

INTERVIEW FORM PRE-SCORE /25

## **COMPONENTS SCORED ON-SITE**

## Presentation

	Accomplished	Commendable	Developing	Needs Improvement	Score
Content of Slides	15-13	12-9	8-5	4-1	
Presentation of Slides	15-13	12-9	8-5	4-1	
Presence	15-13	12-9	8-5	4-1	
Depth of Analysis	15-13	12-9	8-5	4-1	
Q&A	15-13	12-9	8-5	4-1	
Overall Impact	15-13	12-9	8-5	4-1	

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Length

	Correct Length	Incorrect Length	Score
Length	5	0	

PRESENTATION ON-SITE SCORE\_\_\_\_\_/95

TOTAL SCORE /120

**FEEDBACK FOR STUDENTS:** Write two or more sentences.