

# Guidelines for Presentations

1. Seven students may participate in the team presentation. All persons must be from the same division (or a lower division) *and* from the same school district. The seven students may include two team alternates and/or the individual winner from the same division and school district program, even if the individual is from another school.

**The presentation team should include-all members of the booklet competition team.**

2. Four chairs may be used on stage by the participants, but are not required. All other props and costumes must be fashioned from the following two sources.

## A. Resource List

Scissors  
1 stapler and 1 box of staples  
1 roll of tape  
pens or pencils  
10 sheets of colored 8 1/2 x11 paper  
12 pipe cleaners  
1 magazine  
1 set of eight water soluble colored markers  
1 roll of paper towels  
1 box of aluminum foil (any part thereof)  
1 plastic garbage bag (any size or color)  
1 beachball

A team using other resources is penalized 5 points for each prop that is not on the list.

## B. Spontaneous Items (These items are announced at the coaches meeting.)

***Literary quote: One of the spontaneous items is a quote that must be orally incorporated into the presentation.***

***Physical prop: One item is provided per division. The prop must not be damaged during the presentation!***

3. Each coach receives an Underlying Problem (UP) and Summary of Action Plan sheet at the coaches' meeting for the team to complete. Teams who fail to base their Presentation on the Action Plan are penalized. The summary sheet is given to the judges when the team is called to perform.

4. Teams must arrive prior to the start of their session. Teams not present when the roll is called are penalized 10 points.

5. An emcee will read the underlying problem and summary of the action plan before the team begins the presentation. The UP and summary are NOT part of the four minute time limit. Teams without the UP and Action Plan Summary sheet are penalized 10 points.

6. Each presentation begins with a team member reading the team's underlying problem and giving a summary of the action plan.

7. Each team has a maximum of 4 minutes to make its presentation. Timing begins following the reading of the underlying problem and action plan. Teams exceeding the time limit by more than five seconds are penalized 10 points.

8. Teams who fail to base their presentation on the action plan are penalized 50% of their total points.

9. Stage area, for student use in presentations, is defined as all parts of the auditorium/room except the permanent audience seating. The stage area may include the aisles and rear of the auditorium/ room. Participants may not enter or exit the auditorium/room as part of their presentation.

10. The order of presentations is determined by a random drawing of the code numbers by the emcee. A new number will be drawn following each presentation. Teams must compete when their number is called. Teams not participating in the presentation are not eligible for a team booklet award.
11. Team members sit in the "ready seats" during the presentation preceding theirs. The emcee calls each team to the ready seats and introduces each team by its code number.
12. Coaches and other adults associated with the team do not interact with the team once the team moves to the ready seats. Violation of this guideline results in a score of zero.
13. No reference to a team's home, school, or city can be made in the presentation.
14. Teams must remain in the auditorium/room until all teams have performed their presentation. Team presentation awards are presented to the first, second and third place teams in each division.
15. Street clothes, for purposes of FPSP presentations, are defined as those clothes ordinarily worn by a person of that gender on the street.