

Pennsylvania High School Speech League Critique Sheet
Persuasive Speaking

Code _____ Name _____ Round _____ Room _____ Rank _____ out of _____

Title _____ Date _____

Judge's Code _____ Judge's Name _____ Judge's School _____

Organization: Is there a clear and central idea supported well by the main points? Is there a clear structure utilizing smooth transitions? Are the introduction and conclusion effective?

Content: Is the motive clear, significant, sufficient and timely? Is the thesis original and presented effectively? Is evidence well substantiated?

Language: Is the language accurate and clear? Is the language well suited to the topic and speaker?

Communication: Is the speaker audible, articulate and direct with the audience? Does the speaker seem interested and sincere? If used, are visual aids effective?

Overall Effect: Did the speaker effectively persuade you about his or her topic? Did the speaker adequately develop the speech to keep it interesting for the audience?

Please continue comments on the back if needed.

Everyone is expected to be a respectful audience member. A judge's rank may reflect a contestant's disrespect to other competitors during the round.