

# PENNSYLVANIA HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH LEAGUE

## Master Ballot: Impromptu Speaking

Judge's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

District #: \_\_\_\_\_

- Once all the speakers are in the room, the first speaker will draw three topics. From these topics, the speaker will choose one and return the other two. At that point, the speaker's seven-minute prep and speak time begins.
- Once the topic has been chosen, the speaker will have seven minutes total to prepare and speak. The speaker may split this time in any manner in which they choose, but the judge is expected to keep time for the student. During this preparation period, the speaker may not consult with anyone or make use of any previously prepared notes.
- The speech must be delivered without the use of any notes. A student who does not speak on the topic drawn will be disqualified from the tournament.
- In all individual events, a grace period of thirty (30) seconds over the event is permitted without penalty. If a student is more than thirty (30) seconds over, that student may not be ranked first. Excessive overtime violations should be penalized more harshly. There is no minimum time requirement.
- Any questions regarding rules infringements should be brought to the attention of the Tabulation Room staff and not the student.

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*Please list competitors in speaking order.*

Round \_\_\_\_\_ Room \_\_\_\_\_ Judge's Code \_\_\_\_\_ Judge's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Speaking Order	Code	Name	Topic	Rank
1	_____	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____	_____
4	_____	_____	_____	_____
5	_____	_____	_____	_____
6	_____	_____	_____	_____
7	_____	_____	_____	_____

**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.**