EquiSmartz State 4-H Educational Competitions
Senior Public Speaking Scoresheet

County: ____________________________________________

Presenter Name: ________________________________ TITLE: ________________________________

INTRODUCTION (10 points)
1. Did the introduction serve to create interest in the subject?
2. Was the introduction short and to the point?

ORGANIZATION (15 points)
1. Were the main points easy to follow?
2. Were the main points arranged in the best order?
3. Were the sentences short and easy to understand?
4. Was the speech interesting?

CONTENT & ACCURACY (20 points)
1. Were the facts and information presented accurate?
2. Was there enough information presented about the subject?
3. Was credit given to the sources of information, if it was appropriate?
4. Was the content appropriately related to the horse industry?

STAGE PRESENCE (15 points)
1. Was the speaker neat and appropriately dressed?
2. Did the speaker talk directly to and look at the audience?
3. Was the speaker’s posture erect, but not stiff?
4. Did the speaker refrain from leaning on the podium?
5. Did the speaker seem relaxed and at ease?

DELIVERY (20 points)
1. Did the speaker have appropriate voice control?
2. Were all word pronounced correctly?
3. If notes were used, was it done without detracting from the speech?
4. Did the speaker seem to choose words at the time they were spoken as opposed to a memorized or ready-type delivery?

EFFECT ON AUDIENCE (5 points)
1. Did the audience show an interest in the presentation?
2. Could the audience go home and carry out the idea?

GENERAL (10 points)
1. Did the speaker convey to the audience a sense of wanting to communicate?
2. Did the speech reflect the thoughts and personality of the speaker?

CONCLUSION (10 points)
1. Was the conclusion short and interesting?
2. Did the conclusion properly wrap up the speech?
3. Could the speaker handle questions easily?

TIME: Sr’s. (14-18 yrs) 7-10 min limit ____________________________ PENALTY
(-1 pt for every min or fraction of min, over/under time)

Judge’s Signature ________________________________________ TOTAL ____________________________