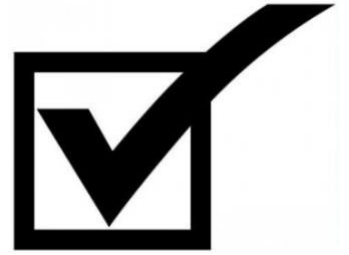


**BUSINESS
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Giving Purpose to Potential



PREPARED SPEECH

(545)

REGIONAL 2024

DESCRIPTION:

Demonstrate communication skills in securing, arranging, organizing, and presenting information orally.

Each contestant is to select a topic related to business, entrepreneurship, or Business Professionals of America, and develop an oral presentation of no less than five (5) and no more than seven (7) minutes.

JUDGING PROCEDURE

- Contestants will present before a panel of judges and timekeeper.
- The length of set-up will be no more than one (1) minute.
- Set-up will be stopped at one (1) minute to begin the speech.
- The speech will be no less than five (5) minutes and no more than seven (7) minutes.
- The speech will be stopped at seven (7) minutes.
- No time is allotted for judges' questions.
- Contestants should be dismissed upon completion of their speech.
- **There can be no ties in the top ten (10) contestants.** It is the responsibility of the judges to break any ties.
- Administrator will fill out ranking sheet prior to dismissing the judges.
- If more than one (1) section is necessary, finalists will be determined by selecting an equal number from each section.
- Give administrator all Judges' Rating Sheets, Judge Evaluation Sheets, and contest materials.
- No audience is allowed in the contest room.

Please double-check and verify all scores!