

## **PUBLIC SPEAKING GUIDELINES AND SCORING COMPANION**

### **Mississauga South Competition 2011-2012**

#### **Public Speaking Guidelines**

1. Speeches must be the original work by the student, not a recitation of another person's work
2. Each contestant will be introduced by name. This will be done by the Moderator.
3. Time – Each speech should be between 3 to 5 minutes.
4. A penalty of 2 points will be deducted for every ten seconds which falls below or exceeds the time limit.
5. Small cue cards (3"X5") may be used when necessary. The presentation should be committed to memory, but cards with key points will be allowed. Notes of any kind on paper or foolscap are not allowed.
6. Lectern and microphone will not be used.
7. No display materials or costumes are allowed

#### **Scoring Guidelines**

Speeches will be judged in the areas indicated below:

##### **Content 50%**

Speech development (structure, organization, support material)

Effectiveness (interest, reception, achievement of purpose)

Speech Value (ideas, logic, originality)

Language (appropriateness, choice of words, relates to topic)

Subject Matter (correctness of points, information and/or ideas)

##### **Delivery 50%**

Projection (volume and clarity)

Voice (change in pitch, pace, enunciation)

Manner (confidence and poise)

Physical (posture, facial expression, eye contact, body language)

Enthusiasm (zeal of delivery)