

Speech Head Judge Reminders

[Service Responsibility](#)

If you have been designated as the Head Judge for this round, you are expected to fulfill the role without delegating it to anyone else. Please be sure that you have reviewed our [complete Parent & Head Judge Instructions](#).



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[Room Management](#)

- Make sure competitors stay within their 15-minute speaking slots.
- Make sure the door remains open between speakers.
- As needed graciously remind other judges
 - not to confer about speakers or rankings
 - to pause making notes between speeches when the next speaker's time begins
- Confirm and announce the speech time exactly as recorded on the timepiece to the rest of the judge panel and to the speaker for confirmation.
- Be sure Apologetics and Impromptu speakers look for their own name on the topic cards.
- As needed, remind students to start their time piece.



[Review and Monitor Rules](#)

- Review the rules for the speech event you will be judging before the round begins.
- If you notice something that seems to be a rule violation, please make a private note (not to be shared with other judges) and bring the issue to the attention of the Compliance Team at the end of the round.



[Announce Timer Issues](#)

- If a student makes an error with the timepiece that results in being unable to show you their time or a correct time, please mark "timer issue" and instruct the other judges to do the same.
- Please bring any **prep time** errors or questions to the Compliance Team after the round.



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