

CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH ASSOCIATION**Original Prose and Poetry**

Student's Name: _____ School: _____

League: _____ Area: 1 2 3 4 (circle one)

Title: _____ No. of Quoted Words: _____

Subject: _____ No. of Personalities Cited: _____

Scripts and cover sheets are due to the League President on _____.**Failure to submit scripts and corrections by the deadline may result in disqualification of entry.**

NOTE: The 2009 State Tournament will be held April 24th-26th. Students who are unavailable to attend on these dates are ineligible to compete in the qualification tournaments.

COACH/STUDENT SIGNATURE:

To the best of my knowledge, this speech meets all requirements as outlined in the CHSSA By-Laws and printed on this form. Failure to adhere to these requirements shall result in disqualification of this entry.

SIGNATURE OF COACH: _____ **DATE:** _____**SIGNATURE OF STUDENT:** _____ **DATE:** _____

STUDENT must sign below if MLA style guidelines for internal citations are not followed and/or a "works-cited" page is not attached to the manuscript.

I hereby certify that this original composition was accomplished without access to or use of any outside sources.

SIGNATURE OF STUDENT: _____ **DATE:** _____

STUDENT may sign below, but signature is not required:

I hereby give my permission for the CHSSA to videotape my performance of my speech for educational distribution and to publish my manuscript as part of their curriculum package. I give this permission without expectation of monetary or other compensation at this or any other time.

SIGNATURE OF STUDENT: _____ **DATE:** _____**PARENT GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:**

I have read the materials contained in the attached speech and approve their use by my son/daughter.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____ **DATE:** _____

If signed by only one parent or guardian, such parent or guardian represents that he/she if parent, is either a single parent or is authorized to give permission on behalf of both parents, or, if guardian, is the appointed guardian of the above-named student.

ADMINISTRATOR SIGNATURE

I approve the materials contained in the attached speech to represent _____ HS.

SIGNATURE OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR: _____ **DATE:** _____**LEAGUE PRESIDENT AND AREA CHAIR SIGNATURE:**

To the best of my knowledge, this speech meets all requirements as outlined in the CHSSA Constitution & Bylaws.

League President's Signature

Area Chairperson's Signature

CHSSA RULES FOR ORIGINAL PROSE/POETRY

1. General Rules:

- a. All speeches entered must be the original work of the contestant. All speeches must have been prepared during the current competitive year. Speeches which have been used in tournaments or service club contests in previous years shall be disqualified; this rule applies to a new speech by a speaker based on the same subject used in a previous year or to any subject used for any original speech by the same contestant during the same or previous years.
- b. Time: Speeches shall be no longer than ten minutes; there is no minimum time. Exceeding this time limit by more than 30 seconds shall be penalized by a lowering of one rank.
- c. Quotations: No more than 150 words of the speech may be direct quotations from another speech or writing.
- d. Violations of general and/or specific rules, except as noted, shall result in the contestant being ranked no higher than seventh (7th) place in the round(s) in which the violation occurs, and/or being disqualified.
- e. Manuscript Requirements: A double-spaced, typewritten copy of the speech with all quotations underlined must be submitted to the League President prior to the State Qualifying Tournament. The number of quoted words (including a, an, the) must be specified on the CHSSA cover sheet. The manuscript must follow the MLA style guidelines for internal citations and must include a "works-cited" page, or shall include a disclaimer from the student indicating that the composition was accomplished without access to or use of any published sources. Presentations which include impersonations, depictions, or distinctive words or phrases based wholly or in part on the creative work of another, or upon the public persona of any professional performer, living or dead, must include appropriate acknowledgment in the submitted script [either within a "Works Cited" page or a separate "Personalities Cited" page]. In addition, such distinctive words or phrases must be included in the total count of words quoted. The coach, contestant, and a school administrator must sign the CHSSA cover sheet and attach it to the manuscript submitted for qualification for the State Tournament.

2. Specific Rules:

- a. Any appropriate subject may be used. The primary purpose of the event is to demonstrate the writing/literary creativity of the contestant. The presentation may consist of prose or poetry or a combination of both. If more than one written selection is presented, the entire presentation may or may not be based on a thematic concept. The subject matter may be serious or humorous.
- b. Aids: Speeches may be delivered from memory; the use of scripts shall be optional. No visual or audio aids shall be permitted in the contest rounds.
- c. No props [the use of something extraneous to the body], or costumes shall be permitted.
- d. Violations of these rules shall result in the contestant being disqualified.

[Competition judges are never authorized to ignore, modify, or otherwise alter events rules. Any and all questions re interpretation of rules should be addressed to the President & Executive Council of CHSSA.]

MANUSCRIPT REQUIREMENTS

Student	Coach	L.Pres	A. Chr	<u>DID THE STUDENT...</u>
				Obtain the necessary signatures: Student, coach, parent, administrator?
				Submit a TYPED, DOUBLE SPACED copy of their speech?
				Internally cite all information, quotes & ideas using MLA (author pg#)?
				Underlined all quoted words?
				Counted the number of quoted words & written the total on the coversheet?
				Include an MLA works cited page: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alphabetical order • The first word in each entry matches first word in internal citation <u>Internal Cite:</u> (Law, 22) <u>Works Cited:</u> Law, Tony. <u>How I became a DDR Beast</u>. Memphis: Screamin' Eagle Press. 2004.
				Include all internally cited sources on their works cited page?
				Identify any non-factual reference (including personal ones) as such?
				Has included a typed copy of my personalities cited page? EX: A character was inspired by Mickey Mouse
				Has listed the NUMBER of personalities cited on the coversheet?