

# Prose Ballot

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Speaker's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Speaker's Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Speech \_\_\_\_\_ Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Only one selection may be used in this category. A prose selection **must** include a narrative to distinguish it from drama. If narrative is in the first person, delivery must be from the author's perspective (*no dramatic monologues in the prose category*). The time limit for each speaker is 5-8 minutes, **no grace period**. No costumes or props may be used. Memorization is not permitted in Prose.

CRITERIA AND EXPLANATION	CIRCLE THE RATING and COMMENT IN THE SPACES BELOW				
<b>• VERBAL SKILLS:</b> • Pronunciation • Enunciation • Projection	Needs Improvement 1	Fair 2	Average 3	Good 4	Excellent 5
<b>MOOD and VOICE:</b> • Vocal performance of selection • Vocal differentiation if needed (accent or dialect, if used must be appropriate to the selection.)	Needs Improvement 1	Fair 2	Average 3	Good 4	Excellent 5
<b>PAUSE and PACE:</b> Good use of: • Vocal pacing • Dramatic pause • Appropriate reading speed	Needs Improvement 1	Fair 2	Average 3	Good 4	Excellent 5
<b>NON-VERBAL COMMUNICATION SKILLS:</b> Appropriate: • Eye contact • Facial Expressions • Natural, subtle expressions	Needs Improvement 1	Fair 2	Average 3	Good 4	Excellent 5
<b>POISE:</b> • Posture • Comfortable with reading • Non-distracting manipulation of script	Needs Improvement 1	Fair 2	Average 3	Good 4	Excellent 5
<b>GENERAL EFFECTIVENESS:</b> Demonstrates: • Understanding of selection • Appropriate introduction • Effective delivery of selection • Ability to stay within the time limit	Needs Improvement 1	Fair 2	Average 3	Good 4	Excellent 5

Round **1 2** Room# \_\_\_\_\_

Time:

Total Score

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*Judge' (Print name)*

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*Judge's Code*