CPF Concours d’art oratoire 2020 Online

Rules for participation

1. Speeches must be an original work by the student, not a recitation of another person's work. Where research is used, sources should be identified using appropriate citation practices.
2. Speeches must have been written specifically for delivery at the *CPF Concours d’art oratoire* 2020. Recycled speeches from previous years or other public speaking events are not permitted.
3. The presentation should be committed to memory. No props or cue cards are permitted. A speech written and read in its entirety is not allowed in any form under a **penalty of up to three points**
4. Students must not identify themselves in any way, by name, school or school district **under penalty of disqualification**.
5. No display materials or costumes (this includes school uniforms) are allowed **under penalty of disqualification**.
6. This is a speech arts competition as opposed to dramatic arts. Poems, songs and dramatic pieces are not appropriate.
7. Gestures must be kept to a minimum. Examples of unacceptable gesturing: wild arm movements (flapping wings), pirouettes, kneeling, turning one's back to the audience. For grades 9 through 12 only, excessive gestures will result in a penalty of up to three points.
8. Students in grade 6 & 7 French Immersion, grade 7 Late French Immersion and grades 7& 8 Post Intensive French will speak for **2-4 minutes**, while those in grades 8-12 French Immersion, Late French Immersion and grades 9- 12 in Post Intensive French will speak for **3-5 minutes**. The time is clocked from when the student begins to speak. For grades 9 through 12 only, there will be a penalty for speeches which are over or under the allotted time: one point for 1-30 seconds, two points for 31-60 seconds, etc
9. When creating your video, we ask that you try and keep background noise to a minimum. If the judges are unable to hear you speak clearly for the entirety of the speech you will be asked to re submit (only once before disqualification).