Giving Speeches

FUTURE CITY INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION SERIES

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How can I effectively present my city to the judges?

- ✖ Types of Speeches
- ✖ Organization
- ✖ Tips to Remember
- ✖ Visual Aids
- ✖ Speech Scoring

KNOW YOUR AUDIENCE

Judges for Future City are typically engineers or architects

What are they looking for?

* Judges are looking to see that you have researched technology & engineering concepts for your city

* You need to demonstrate to the judges that you under stand how the technology used operates and how it was used to improve your city

* They need to see the strategy and planning that went into your design concept (why did you make design choices?)

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- In this case you will be using from each of these common speech types... you may be wondering how?

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Demonstrate one or two key aspects of your city...
- Your moving part, how does it work?
- Your most interesting building, what is it?
- Your building that ties to the essay topic, how does it relate?
- Your transportation system, how does it work?

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You are providing information about your city...
* Why would I want to live there?
* What are the key benefits to your city?
* What is your plan in your city layout?
* How are all the different needs and zones of a city incorporated?

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You are competing; convince the judges your city is best...

- ✖ Why should the judges pick your city?
- ✖ Is there anything special about your city?
- ✖ Compare your future city to everyday present life...What improvements do your citizens enjoy in your future city using the technology & engineering you have included?

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You need add interest in your speech...
- Maybe you could each play a role? An engineer? Citizen? etc?
- Interject some humor in the speech? (but not too much)
- Create some interesting facts?
- Have demonstration aids? Like moving parts? Charts? etc?
- Clothing? Lab coats? Hard hats? Suits? Construction?

RESEARCH

* A good speech starts with a thorough understanding of the topic… in this case the design of your city
* What technology did you research?
* What engineering concepts are you using?
* What types of engineering are used in your city? How?
* What planning strategy is used behind your city design?

NOTES AND CUE CARDS

- Your final presentation should be without cards, if possible, but you should have cards for your practice…
- Opening & Introduction
- Main topics (what aspects of your city do you intend to cover?)
- Transition points (between topics and/or speakers)
- Conclusion

OUTLINING & SCRIPTING

* You should have an outline of what you want to cover in your presentation
* Look at your city... What features are most impressive?
* Have you covered the main city planning elements? transportation, housing, commercial, industrial, power, water, communications, environment, social services (school, police, fire, hospitals), etc...
* What is a logical order for these to be discussed?

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- Create an outline of topics and subtopics
- Start & end with your two most impressive areas
- Determine the level of detail for each area
- What topics will be covered? and by who?
- Which students are knowledgeable about which topics?
- Will students have any roles or characters they portray in the speech?

OUTLINING & SCRIPTING

* How will you speech be coordinated?
* It may be good to think of it almost like a script, since you have multiple students speaking
* Who will be the Opener? Closer? Why?
* Remember the multiple purposes of your speech...demonstration, information and persuasion
* Remember your audience and what they want to hear
* Remember to add interest

VISUAL AIDS

- Make sure your visual aids are within the guideline in the teacher's hand book
- Helpful Hints to make the best use of aids
    1. Make graphs colorful and easy to understand
    2. Use clear simple statements
    3. Make sure it supports your main idea
    4. Check your work – spelling, etc..

DELIVERY OF YOUR SPEECH

- Use your body language
    - Smile, Stand straight, No fidgeting
    - Don't be afraid to let your personality show
- Use your voice
    - Pronounce your words clearly and loudly
    - Use inflections and tonal variations
    - Try to sound natural
- Make sure all team members have a part and have transitions between team members

PRACTICE AND CHECK

- Don't forget to practice your speech MANY times to many people
- Let your friends and family ask you questions as you practice so you can answer the judges questions
- Don't forget to time your practices so you don't run over time.
- Practicing will help make you less nervous

GOOD LUCK !!!