



2026 Pinto World Championship Show

Extemporaneous Speech

Registration: Form available online

Registration deadline: Must be postmarked by May 19, 2026

Registration fee: \$25 per contestant, due at time of registration

PLEASE NOTE:

- Withdrawal from the contest after the registration deadline will result in forfeiture of the registration fee.

Location: Pavilion Conference Room, Built Ford Tough Complex, Tulsa, Oklahoma

Date: Saturday June 6

Time: Contest orientation begins at 9:00 a.m.

1. Public Speaking Contest -- 9:30 a.m.
2. Impromptu Speech Contest --9:30 a.m.
3. Prepared Speech Contest --9:30 a.m.
4. Extemporaneous Speaking Contest (Following the Impromptu Speech)

Extemporaneous Speaking Contest Rules

1. Contest is open to **Senior** PtHA and non-PtHA youth members
2. Senior contestants may enter all divisions of the speech contests (prepared, public speaking, impromptu, and extemporaneous); while Junior contestants may only enter prepared and public speaking contests.
3. Contestants should dress in proper attire. (Suggested attire: a suit and tie, or a buttoned and collared shirt with tie and dress slacks or skirt/dress of appropriate length).

Extemporaneous Speech Contest Process

Objective: The Extemporaneous speech contest is designed to assist in the development of skills in organization, impromptu thinking, and effective communication. This contest gives the participant experience in speaking before a group, formulating clear thoughts, and delivering those thoughts to an audience in an effective manner.

1. Topics for the contest will be furnished by PtHA. Topics will vary and will be announced at the contest. Topics will be designed to include subjects familiar to youth. Examples of topics are:
 - a. Ideas for membership recruitment.
 - b. Ways to use technology in agriculture or horse industry.
 - c. Current Agriculture issues
 - d. Advancing the equine or agriculture industry
 - e. Agri marketing and international agriculture in relation to Equine industry
2. Speaking order will be determined prior to the contest by random drawing.
3. The process for the extemporaneous speech contest is as follows:
 - a. Contestants will be called one at a time according to their arranged speaking order.
 - b. Each contestant will draw three topics, select one, and return the remaining two to the contest supervisor.
 - c. Each contestant will be given 30 minutes to prepare immediately prior to delivering his or her speech. Contestants will be let into the room to draw on 15-minute intervals.
 - d. Must be limited to five items allowed to be brought into room.
 - e. Printed materials such as books or magazines.
 - f. Printed compilations of materials collected from Internet research.
 - g. Participants may have up to 10 minutes to conduct online research.
Contestants will need to provide a computer if you are planning on doing online research. Access to email, Dropbox or any prepared materials are prohibited. No cell phones will be allowed in room. A room monitor will be the official timekeeper for each contestant's technology time. The use of prepared notes or speeches, even if accessed with technology time, is prohibited and will be grounds for disqualification.
 - h. To be counted as one item, a notebook or folder of collected materials may contain no more than 100 single-sided pages or 50 double-sided pages numbered consecutively.
 - i. References should be in original format.
 - j. There can be no notes or speeches prepared by the participant or by another person for the purpose of use in this event. Cutting and pasting into a Microsoft Word document will be considered prepared notes. Each speech should be the result of the participant's own effort using approved reference material, which the participant may bring to the preparation room. No other assistance may be provided. Participants must use the uniform note cards provided. Any notes for speaking must be made during the 30-minute preparation period. A participant will be permitted to use notes while speaking, but deductions in scoring may be made for this practice if it detracts from the effectiveness of the presentation.

4. The maximum time limit for each extemporaneous speech is four- to five-minutes.
 - a. Three points will be deducted from the total score for every minute or fraction of a minute under four minutes or over five minutes. Time point deductions are as follows:
 - i. 1:00 – 1:59 = -9 points
 - ii. 2:00 – 2:59 = -6 points
 - iii. 3:00 – 3:59 = -3 points
 - iv. 4:00 – 5:00 = 0 points
 - v. 5:01 – 6:00 = -3 points
 - vi. 6:01 – 7:00 = -6 points
 - vii. 7:01 – 8:00 = -9 points
5. Judges will consider questions listed under each section of the attached score sheet.
 - a. Each judge may award a contestant up to 100 points based on the rubric. The three judges' scores will be added together with the contestant receiving the highest cumulative score winning first place.
 - b. Ties between contestants will be broken by (1) the cumulative delivery score, (2) the cumulative organization score or (3) the cumulative overall score.
6. Gifts of any kind may not be presented to the judges in any contest.

Pinto World Championship Show Extemporaneous Speech Rubric

Contestant:

Affiliate:

Elapsed Time:

Penalty Time:

Evaluator:

Evaluate the contestant according to the value indicated by each criterion. Do not score higher than indicated. The contest supervisor will apply penalty points.

I. PRESENTATION AND DELIVERY 1. Appearance, posture, poise, confidence. _____/10 2. Smooth delivery pauses for variety and emphasis. _____/10 3. Eye contact, expressiveness, audience connection. _____/10 4. Clarity, enunciation, inflection. _____/10		
II. CONTENT 1. Value and depth of subject matter. _____/10 2. Creativity. _____/10 3. Data and supportive facts / examples. _____/10 4. Showcases the Agriculture. _____/10 5. Judge's questions. _____/5		
III. ORGANIZATION Opening and closing statements. _____/10 Transitions. _____/5		
Subtotal		
Time Penalty		
FINAL SCORE		

CATEGORY

SCORE/100

Judge's Comments

