

CHAIRPERSON FOR ORIGINAL ORATORY

1. Check in the hallway to see if the next performer is present.
2. Obtain comment **sheets** from the performer.
[Since you will be introducing each performer by name, check any pronunciations needed.]
3. The performer may use a lectern if desired. If needed, please help place the lectern where the performer wishes.
4. Give the comment sheets to the judges when they're ready (done writing on previous sheets).
5. Cross the performer's name off the schedule outside the performance center. [This way others know who is performing.] ---- Close the door to the performance center.
6. Check to make sure the performer and timer are ready, and then check one last time to make sure the judge is ready.
7. Announce the performer by following the script, "WELCOME to Ames High School and the IHSSA State I.E. Contest. At this time, we ask that you kindly turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. Videotaping or photography are not allowed unless permission has been secured by the IHSSA Executive Director. Please avoid talking and whispering. We ask that you remain in your seats until the end of each performance and exit accordingly.

We are happy to introduce; **(Performer Name)** _____ , **from School #** _____, performing **(Title of Selection)** _____.

If a contestant is appearing out of order say:

"Appearing out of order is Contestant (name) , School Code (give code) ."

8. In Original Oratory a speaker may use a manuscript or note cards. The speaker is to have a copy of the oration in the room. **A copy of the oratory must be given to a judge at the end of the performance.** Obtain it from the performer and give it to a judge.

Open the door to allow the audience to leave and others to enter.

Check for the next performer and **repeat Steps 1-8.**

At the end of each section – take the judge's ballot envelope to the **MEDIA CENTER** before beginning the next section.

At the end of your assignment, if your replacement does not come to the room, return this entire packet to the volunteer headquarters as quickly as possible as it will be needed for the next section.