



Oral Presentation Guidelines

- All students presenting research in the oral session, must prepare the following:
- Research paper
- Abstract
- Timed oral presentation
- [Statement on Outside Assistance](#)

Students will present their research in oral sessions to a panel of judges, their peers and other guests. The judges evaluate the presentations on a set of criteria and rank them accordingly. More information on the national judging process and judges are included in the [Rules of Competition](#).

Session Timing

The research presentation may not exceed 12 minutes, followed by a maximum 6-minute question period. A session moderator will aid the student speaker in maintaining this schedule and in fielding questions from the audience. The procedure for maintaining the time includes a 10-minute signal for the student, and finally a 12-minute signal. At the 12-minute point, the student speaker must stop the presentation even if he or she has not finished. Following the presentation, the session moderator will ask for judges' questions. The speaker should repeat a question before answering so the audience may understand the entire dialogue.