**Levels of Performance for AFFIRMATIVE Team**

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| **Criteria** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | Grade: |
| **1. Organization & Clarity:**  Main arguments and responses are outlined in a clear and orderly way. Students were completely prepared with notes and/or papers. | Completely clear and orderly presentation. Well prepared. | Mostly clear and orderly in all parts. Somewhat prepared. | Clear in some parts but not overall. Not very prepared. | Unclear and disorganized throughout. Unprepared. |  |
| **2. Use of Argument:**  Reasons are given to support the resolution | Very strong and persuasive arguments given throughout | Many good arguments given, with only minor problems | Some decent arguments, but some significant problems | Few or no real arguments given, or all arguments given had significant problems |  |
| **3. Use of cross-examination and rebuttal**:  Identification of weakness in Negative team’s arguments and ability to defend itself against attack. | Excellent cross-exam and defense against Negative team’s objections | Good cross-exam and rebuttals, with only minor slip-ups | Decent cross-exam and/or rebuttals, but with some significant problems | Poor cross-exam or rebuttals, failure to point out problems in Negative team’s position or failure to defend itself against attack. |  |
| **4. Presentation Style:**  Tone of voice, clarity of expression, precision of arguments all contribute to keeping audience’s attention and persuading them of the team’s case. | All style features were used convincingly | Most style features were used convincingly | Few style features were used convincingly | Very few style features were used, none of them convincingly |  |
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**Levels of Performance for NEGATIVE Team**

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| **Criteria** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | Grade: |
| **1. Organization & Clarity:**  Main arguments and responses are outlined in a clear and orderly way. Students were completely prepared with notes and/or papers. | Completely clear and orderly presentation | Mostly clear and orderly in all parts | Clear in some parts but not overall | Unclear and disorganized throughout |  |
| **2. Use of Argument:**  Reasons are given against the resolution | Very strong and persuasive arguments given throughout | Many good arguments given, with only minor problems | Some decent arguments, but some significant problems | Few or no real arguments given, or all arguments given had significant problems |  |
| **3. Use of cross-examination and rebuttal**:  Identification of weakness in Affirmative team’s arguments and ability to defend itself against attack. | Excellent cross-exam and defense against Affirmative team’s objections | Good cross-exam and rebuttal, with only minor slip-ups | Decent cross-exam and/or rebuttal, but with some significant problems | Poor cross-exam or rebuttal, failure to point out problems in Affirmative team’s position or failure to defend itself against attack. |  |
| **4. Presentation Style:**  Tone of voice, clarity of expression, precision of arguments all contribute to keeping audience’s attention and persuading them of the team’s case. | All style features were used convincingly | Most style features were used convincingly | Few style features were used convincingly | Very few style features were used, none of them convincingly |  |
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