

ECONOMIC RESEARCH INDIVIDUAL (155)

—Secondary—

REGIONAL - 2014

TOTAL POINTS _____ (270)

Judges/Graders: Please double check and verify all scores and answer keys!

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TOPIC

As a young adult in today's economy, one's college or career choice has a large impact on their future endeavors. What economic factors influence the college-making decision? What is the economic impact of these decisions and who is affected by them?

Your research paper should include, but not be limited, to the following items:

- 1. The economic impact and who is affected
- 2. The economic factors that influence the decision
- 3. Cost and benefits of attending higher education
- 4. Impact of student loan interest rates changing

Contestants who do not submit an entry that follows this topic will be disqualified.

JUDGING PROCEDURE

- Contestants will be introduced by contestant number.
- As a team of judges, formulate two to three questions to ask at the conclusion of the presentation. Be sure to ask the same questions of each contestant.
- Contestants will present before a panel of judges and timekeeper.
- The presentation will be no more than five (5) minutes; followed by judges' questions not to exceed ten (10) minutes.
- Excuse contestants upon completion of judges' questions.
- There can be no ties in the top ten (10) contestants. It is the responsibility of the judges to break any ties.
- Administrator will fill out ranking sheet prior to dismissing the judges.
- If more than one (1) section is necessary, finalists will be determined by selecting an equal number from each section.
- Give administrator all Judges' Rating Sheets, Judge Evaluation Sheets and contest materials.
- No audience is allowed in the contest room.

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