

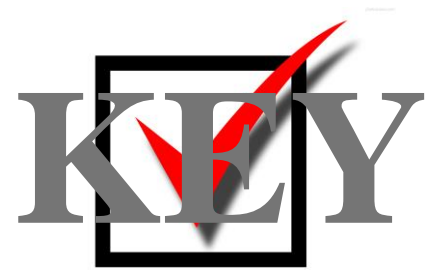
ECONOMIC RESEARCH TEAM (160)

—Secondary—

REGIONAL – 2015

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

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Topic

There has been much discussion on the future of social security and the costs associated with it. There is concern that the Social Security Administration may run out of funds in the near future. Research potential problems of the social security program and its economic impact on society. Discuss possible solutions to avoid its collapse. Your research may include the following but is not limited to:

- Where does social security currently stand?
- Discuss the economic impact of the depletion of these funds.
- What are possible ways to avoid insolvency?

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

JUDGING PROCEDURE

- Teams will be introduced by team 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 team.
- Teams 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 teams upon completion of judges' questions.
- **There can be no ties in the top ten (10) teams.** 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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