

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT RESEARCH PROJECT (260)

—Secondary—

REGIONAL - 2017

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

Property of Business Professionals of America. May be reproduced only for use in the Business Professionals of America *Workplace Skills Assessment Program* competition.



Description

One administrative support topic is selected by National Business Professionals of America and provided at the beginning of the school year. Students will conduct research on the topic and present findings in a research paper, an oral presentation, and respond to questions from a panel of judges.

Topic

With the onset of technological advances comes the availability of millions of sources at an individual's fingertips. How can a business professional or journalist ensure that the information he or she accesses is valid and reliable?

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

JUDGING PROCEDURE

- Contestants will be introduced by contestant number. **Contestants may continue to wear their name badges.**
- 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.
- Set-up time will be no more than three (3) minutes.
- The length of the presentation will be no more than seven (7) minutes; followed by judges' questions not to exceed five (5) 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.

Please double-check and verify all scores!

Refer to Style & Reference Manual for MLA Report Style and Works Cited format.