

OVERVIEW

The purpose of the Creed competition is to provide a means for first-year TSA members to demonstrate their ability to write and recite the TSA Creed.

ELIGIBILITY

Entries are limited to three (3) per chapter.

TIME LIMITS

PRELIMINARY ROUND

- A. Students will be allowed 15 minutes to complete the written portion.

SEMIFINAL ROUND

- A. While this is not a “timed” event, each contestant will be given adequate time to recite the creed.

ATTIRE

TSA competition attire is required

PROCEDURE

PRELIMINARY ROUND

- A. Participants are given fifteen (15) minutes to write the creed.
- B. Judges will score the written portion
- C. A list of twelve (12) semifinalists will be posted.

SEMIFINAL ROUND

- A. The event coordinator introduces each student by identification number only
- B. Participant will begin by saying “The Technology Student Association Creed...”.
- C. Ten (10) finalists will be announced during the conference awards ceremony.

REGULATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

PRELIMINARY ROUND

- A. No written material or notes will be allowed in contest area.
- B. Judges will check for wrong words, omissions, and misspellings.
- C. Participants with perfect papers will proceed to the semifinal round provided the number is twelve (12) or less. If more than twelve (12), neatness will be judged on the following scale.
 - a. Excellent – 10 points
 - b. Good – 7 points
 - c. Fair – 5 points
 - d. Poor – 3 points

SEMIFINAL ROUND

- A. Notecards are not permitted
- B. Contestants saying a paragraph out of order will be notified at the end of the paragraph so that if they realize the mistake, they can go back and correct it with the loss of only ten (10) points.
- C. Below is the official version of the Creed to be used for competition.

THE TSA CREED

I believe that Technology Education holds an important place in my life in the technical world. I believe there is a need for the development of good attitudes concerning work, tools, materials, experimentation, and processes of industry.

Guided by my teachers, artisans from industry, and my own initiative, I will strive to do my best in making my school, community, state, and nation better places in which to live.

I will accept the responsibilities that are mine. I will accept the theories that are supported by proper evidence. I will explore on my own for safer, more effective methods of working and living.

I will strive to develop a cooperative attitude and will exercise tact and respect for other individuals.

Through the work of my hands and mind, I will express my ideas to the best of my ability.

I will make it my goal to do better each day the task before me, and to be steadfast in my belief in my God, and my fellow Americans

TSA CREED WRITTEN JUDGE'S OFFICIAL RATING SHEET

LEVEL I ONLY

Entrant's ID													
Judging Criteria													
Paragraph 1 Check off only if written perfectly													
Paragraph 2 Check off only if written perfectly													
Paragraph 3 Check off only if written perfectly													
Paragraph 4 Check off only if written perfectly													
Paragraph 5 Check off only if written perfectly													
Paragraph 6 Check off only if written perfectly													
Neatness 10 pts Max <small>(Note: Neatness is judged only if there are more qualifiers than there are semifinalists sets.)</small>													
Eliminated Check Here													
Goes on to Semifinals													

I certify these results to be true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Judge's Signature _____

TSA CREED ORAL

JUDGE'S OFFICIAL RATING SHEET

LEVEL I ONLY

Entrant's ID													
Judging Criteria													
Paragraph 1 37 points Max													
Paragraph 2 32 Points Max													
Paragraph 3 34 Points Max													
Paragraph 4 17 Points Max													
Paragraph 5 19 Points Max													
Paragraph 6 29 Points Max													
Clarity 7 Points Max													
Force and Projection 10 Points Max													
Poise (confidence, body control, posture) 5 Points Max													
Personal appearance, grooming, appropriate attire 10 Points Max													
Total (200 pts)													

I certify these results to be true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Judge's Signature _____