Sermon Delivery

Purpose:

To provide opportunities for young men to develop their talents for preaching the gospel whether they pursue full time work in the ministry or whether they preach as capable members in their respective congregations.

Grade Level:

There is one grade level for this event: 9-12.

You must be in 9th grade or higher to participate in this event.

Process:

- Register for proper grade level
- Have each speaker at the proper room before the event begins.
    - Sermon Delivery will be at the same time as Speech, so a participant must choose between those two events.

Rules:

- This event will be open to young men in grades 9 - 12 only.
- Each Sermon will be nine to twelve minutes in length.
- Parents and/or coaches should work hard to help the participant to develop their own sermon rather than write one for them.
    - Give them direction as to the kinds of things that work well in a sermon, but let them come up with their own content.
- Spectators may enter or exit the room at designated times.
- There are no requirements for dress.
    - The participant should try to dress appropriately realizing that their dress can have an impact on how their sermon is received.
- Sermons may not be repeated by another speaker.
- Use of computer graphics such as PowerPoint **will** be allowed during the sermon. **** NEW ****
    - If using PowerPoint please register for Sermon Deliver – PowerPoint
    - Presentation should be provided on a USB drive in PDF format.
- Props will be allowed during the sermon.
- A speaker's podium is supplied, but the speaker can choose whether he wants to stand behind it and use it, move around it or set it to the side.
- Notes will be allowed.
    - Consideration will be given to participants who demonstrate thorough preparation by not simply reading their sermon.
- All participants will be pre-registered by their churches, and placed in a specific room. If a participant is not on the list or other changes need to be made, see the event coordinator for resolution.

Awards

There are three ratings available in each grade level – Gold, Silver or Bronze

Southeastern Leadership Training for Christ		SERMON DELIVERY Award: Gold Silver Bronze	
	Exemplary	**Competent**	**Developing**
Introduction	☐ The intro grabbed me and held my attention very well ☐ He began comfortably and related very well with the audience ☐ The intro led very well into the rest of the sermon	☐ The intro grabbed me and held my attention moderately well ☐ He began comfortably and related moderately well with the audience ☐ The intro led into the rest of the sermon	☐ The intro held my attention somewhat ☐ He related somewhat with the audience ☐ The intro led somewhat into the rest of the sermon
Style & Delivery	☐ It was very easy to listen to the speaker throughout the sermon ☐ He demonstrated expert grammar ☐ He was extremely comfortable, confident and enthusiastic ☐ He was very well prepared ☐ He had expert eye contact throughout ☐ He used volume, tone and pauses expertly ☐ His body movements or hand gestures greatly enhanced his message	☐ It was moderately easy to listen to the speaker throughout the sermon ☐ He demonstrated age appropriate grammar ☐ He was comfortable, confident and enthusiastic ☐ He was prepared ☐ He had eye contact most of the time ☐ He used volume, tone and pauses ☐ His body movements or hand gestures enhanced his message most of the time	☐ It was somewhat easy to listen to the speaker throughout the sermon ☐ Attention is needed on appropriate grammar ☐ He was somewhat comfortable, confident and enthusiastic ☐ He was somewhat prepared ☐ He had eye contact some of the time ☐ He occasionally used volume, tone and pauses ☐ His body movements or hand gestures enhanced his message some of the time
Organization & Content	☐ The structure was very easy to follow throughout ☐ The content of the sermon expertly led toward the main point ☐ Transitions were very smooth and hardly noticeable ☐ Illustrations and examples expertly demonstrated the point ☐ Props (if used) were expertly used to help get the point across ☐ The scripture used was very well understood and the points were an excellent application of the passage ☐ The main point was very strong	☐ The structure was easy to follow most of the time ☐ The content of the sermon led toward the main point ☐ Transitions were smooth and hardly noticeable most of the time ☐ Illustrations and examples demonstrated the point most of the time ☐ Props (if used) were used to help get the point across ☐ The scripture used was understood and the points were an application of the passage ☐ The main point was strong	☐ The structure was easy to follow some of the time ☐ The content of the sermon led toward the main point some of the time ☐ Some of the transitions were smooth ☐ Illustrations and examples sometimes demonstrated the point ☐ Props (if used) were sometimes related to the point ☐ The scripture used was understood somewhat and the points were somewhat an application of the passage ☐ The main point was apparent
Overall Impression	☐ I was challenged and edified ☐ He showed expert insight and originality for the topic ☐ The topic was very relevant to Christians today ☐ His attitude, words and actions before and after the sermon were Christ-like ☐ Time was within 9-12 minutes ☐ The sermon fit this year's theme expertly	☐ I was challenged and edified most of the time ☐ He showed insight and originality for the topic ☐ The topic was relevant to Christians today ☐ Time was within 9-12 minutes ☐ The sermon mostly fit this year's theme	☐ I was challenged and edified some of the time ☐ He showed some insight ☐ The topic was somewhat relevant to Christians today ☐ Attention is needed on attitude, words and actions before and after the sermon ☐ Time was within 9-12 minutes ☐ The sermon somewhat fit this year's theme
Judge's comments:			