

**East Texas State Fair
Public Speaking Contest**

Statement of Originality

(Please print or type)

Contestant Name: _____

FFA Chapter/4-H Club: _____

AST/CEA(s): _____

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the speech manuscript entitled:

is the result of the contestant's own originality, effort, and ability. All information considered direct quotes or phrases, specific dates, figures, and other materials remarked in "quotes" in the manuscript are identified in the bibliography. We understand that failure to properly cite other works represents plagiarism and will automatically disqualify the candidate.

We also certify that the student is eligible for competition per regulations from the Texas Education Agency's "No Pass No Play" rule.

Signatures:

Contestant: _____ Date: _____

AST/CEA: _____ Date: _____

Participants who are not members of FFA or 4-H programs should request a signature from a teacher or school counselor. If student is home-schooled, both parents should sign.

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____