

PAGE Georgia Academic Decathlon

INTERVIEW

ROOM ARRANGEMENT

For best results, interview judges should sit in a student desk so they may have a place to write. The judges and timekeeper/judge should sit in front of the student.

PREPARATION

In preparation for the Interview event, each decathlete will prepare a one-page resumé. Just as in a real life situation, an interviewee will prepare a resumé telling about himself/herself. Three copies of the resumé must be taken to the state competition for the Interview judges. A sample resumé is provided in this tabbed section.

PROCEDURE

Fifteen minutes prior to the scheduled time for the student's interview, each student will report to an interview "holding area" where the interview event coordinator will provide instructions for this event. Each student will be escorted to a designated interview room with a panel of 3 judges. The interview will generally last between 4 and 7 minutes. The timekeeper/judge will make introductions and welcome the decathlete. The decathlete will hand each judge a copy of the prepared resumé. (*See Sample Topics – Interview Questions on the following page.*)

Students are scored in the categories listed on the Interview Scantron form included in this tabbed section.

A maximum of 1,000 points may be earned for the interview.

Points: *Each team member in the interview may earn a maximum of 1,000 points.*

JUDGING

Each student will be judged on his/her ability to do the following:

1. Informally present ideas appropriate to the topic.
2. Listen to the ideas of others, evaluate them, and adjust responses accordingly.
3. Establish and maintain rapport with members of a conversational group through voice, gesture and attitudinal posture.
4. Use voice, vocabulary and language structures appropriate to informal oral communication.