

# **PAGE Georgia Academic Decathlon**

## **JUDGING ESSAYS**

All essays will be written and judged online. Two judges will read each essay. A third judge will read essays when scores vary more than 25 points. Scores of the two judges in closest agreement are reported for scoring.

**Essays deemed inappropriate or in poor taste (e.g. – bad language, not related to an essay prompt) will not be read by the judges and will receive a score of zero.** The state director and the essay coordinator will determine inappropriateness of an essay. A decision regarding an “Off-prompt” essay is made by two readers.