

2025 Asynchronous Speech Championship

Impromptu Speaking

Please include prep time in Impromptu videos (this can make starting the video camera easier for students, and assessing time allocation possible for judging). All Impromptu judges will be reminded to allow an initial 15 seconds for competitors to read the quotations, before beginning time. Record 2 speeches in total.

Speech #1

Prelim 1, Prelim 2, SemiFinal Domestic Voices of Resistance

Just hang in there and just keep calling.

Nicole Richards
Quadriplegic Activist
Former Gymnast

Scientists can no longer take for granted that their results speak for themselves.

Edmund Bertschinger
MIT Physics Professor
Teacher of *Topics in Science Activism*

Speech #2

Prelim 3, OctoFinal, QuarterFinal, Final International Voices of Resistance

Defending human rights is my system of values.

Oleksandra Romantsova
Human Rights Activist
Executive Director of the Center for Civil Liberties in Ukraine

My goal is not to have a dialogue; my goal is to solve this madness.

Ali Abu Awwad
Palestinian Peace Activist
Founding leader of the Taghyeer (Change) Palestinian National Nonviolence Movement