

2025–2026 Competitive Events Guidelines

Website Coding & Development

Website Coding & Development Presentation Rating Sheet

| Expectation Item | Not Demonstrated | Below Expectations | Meets Expectations | Exceeds Expectations | Points Earned |
|---|--|--|--|--|---------------|
| Website Coding | | | | | |
| Style | Code spacing is not available. Style sheets and scripts are not used. | Script & style sheets are used but not separated. Code includes some comments. | Appropriately uses files and separates all languages. | Code spacing is well thought out. | |
| | 0 points | 1-6 points | 7-8 points | 9-10 points | |
| Website Usability | | | | | |
| Website Usability, Accessibility, and Navigation | Website is difficult to use or navigate. No evidence of accessibility features | Navigation is present but may be confusing or inconsistent. Accessibility is minimal or not fully considered | Website is user-friendly, with clear navigation and basic accessibility features (e.g., alt text, readable fonts). Structure supports a positive user experience | Website is highly intuitive and easy to navigate. Accessibility is thoughtfully integrated (e.g., keyboard navigation, color contrast, ARIA labels), showing strong attention to inclusive design and user experience best practices | |
| | 0 points | 1-9 points | 10-16 points | 17-20 points | |
| Color/contrast, background, and font are appropriate for the topic | No design principles applied | Color/contrast, font, or design choice is distracting | Color/contrast, font, and design choice are appropriate for the concept/topic | Color/contrast, font, and design choice enhance the experience for the user | |
| | 0 points | 1-6 points | 7-8 points | 9-10 points | |
| Graphics appropriate for topic | No graphic design principles applied | Graphics are distracting | Graphics are appropriate for the concept/topic | Graphics enhance the experience for the user | |
| | 0 points | 1-6 points | 7-8 points | 9-10 points | |
| Website Content | | | | | |
| Fully addresses the topic | Topic is not followed | Topic is not fully addressed | Topic is fully addressed | Users with no knowledge of the topic can identify based on site | |
| | 0 points | 1-6 points | 7-8 points | 9-10 points | |
| Site contains multiple elements providing evidence of coding skills | No evidence of website coding skill demonstrated | Website is coded using limited features | Website contains use of multiple coding skills | Website contains advanced coding skills | |
| | 0 points | 1-9 points | 10-16 points | 17-20 points | |
| Grammar, spelling, and punctuation | Website contains grammar or spelling errors | Website contains 3 or less spelling or grammar errors | Website contains one grammar and no spelling errors | Website is free of grammar and spelling errors | |
| | 0 points | 1-6 points | 7-8 points | 9-10 points | |
| Substantiates and cites sources used while conducting research | Sources are not cited | Sources/References are seldom cited to support statements | Professionally legitimate sources & resources that support statements are generally present | Compelling evidence from professionally legitimate sources & resources is given to support statements | |
| | 0 points | 1-6 points | 7-8 points | 9-10 points | |
| Project Evaluation | | | | | |
| Website is compatible with multiple platforms | Website is not compatible with any platforms | Website is only compatible with one platform | Website opens appropriately on at least 2 platforms | Website is fully functional on multiple devices, including mobile phones, tablets, and computers | |
| | 0 points | 1-9 points | 10-16 points | 17-20 points | |
| Website interactivity functions and is error free | Website interactivity contains errors that prevent the execution | Website interactivity contains errors that did not prevent execution | Website interactivity is error free | Website interactivity is error free and enhances the experience for the user | |
| | 0 points | 1-9 points | 10-16 points | 17-20 points | |

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| Website elements are consistent across all pages | Only one page is presented | Pages are not consistent | Pages are consistent | Pages are consistent and elements enhance the experience for the user | |
| | 0 points | 1-9 points | 10-16 points | 17-20 points | |
| Source Code & Documentation Requirements | No source code or documentation is provided. Project appears to use a template or lacks original work. | Source code is shown but may be incomplete or disorganized. Documentation is missing or unclear. Potential template use is evident. | Source code is original, complete, and available upon request. Documentation includes proper citations and source attribution. No templates used. | Source code is well-organized, clearly written, and fully original. All sources and materials are properly documented with professional presentation. Demonstrates strong ownership and understanding of the development process. | |
| | 0 points | 1-9 points | 10-16 points | 17-20 points | |
| Presentation Delivery | | | | | |
| Statements are well-organized and clearly stated | Competitor(s) did not appear prepared | Competitor(s) were prepared, but flow was not logical | Presentation flowed in logical sequence | Presentation flowed in a logical sequence; statements were well organized | |
| | 0 points | 1-6 points | 7-8 points | 9-10 points | |
| Consistently displays confidence, poised body language, engaging eye contact, and effective voice projection. | Did not demonstrate any of the listed skills | Demonstrated 1-2 of the listed skills (confidence, body language, eye contact, or voice projection) | Demonstrated 3 of the listed skills (confidence, body language, eye contact, or voice projection) | Demonstrated all skills, enhancing the overall presentation | |
| | 0 points | 1-6 points | 7-8 points | 9-10 points | |
| Demonstrates the ability to effectively answer questions | Does not respond to questions or responses are completely off-topic. | Provides incomplete or unclear answers that show limited understanding. | Responds accurately and clearly to most questions, showing adequate understanding. | Responds confidently with clear, accurate, and thoughtful answers that enhance the overall presentation. | |
| | 0 points | 1-6 points | 7-8 points | 9-10 points | |
| Presentation Protocols | | | | | |
| Adherence to Competitive Events Guidelines | Competitor(s) Did Not Follow Guidelines | Execution Aligned with Guidelines: (All criteria must be met) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Used only allowable technology devices (sizing specs followed; maximum of three) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Presentation aligned with the assigned topic ✓ Maintained professional boundaries during set-up time (no interaction with judges) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Did not leave materials behind after the presentation ✓ Links or QR codes were displayed appropriately (not clicked or scanned by judges) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Audio was presented without external speakers (preliminary round) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Avoided use of food or live animals ✓ Templates are not used | | | |
| | | 0 points | 10 points | | |
| Staff Only: Penalty Points (5 points for dress code penalty and/or 5 points for late arrival penalty) | | | | | |
| Presentation Total (220 points) | | | | | |
| Name(s): | | | | | |
| School: | | | | | Section: |
| Judge Signature: | | | | | Date: |
| Comments: | | | | | |