



# 2026 State Video Competition

## Competition Type – Group

### Purpose

Collaboration with others and the creative use of technology to communicate a message and/or feeling are valuable in almost any field, including education. The purpose of the video competition is to provide students with an opportunity to demonstrate their creativity and technology skills and express their appreciation for teachers and the rewards of the profession. This year's theme is *"Public Education: Where Futures Begin,"* which highlights schools as the starting point for dreams, careers, and opportunities.

### Guidelines

- A. Only one entry per chapter. Chapters may wish to hold a local competition to determine who will compete at State.
- B. Video entries should be between 1 minute (minimum) and 1.5 minutes (maximum) in length. The video must be an original work. No copyrighted material (music, images, etc.) or trademarks (company names, logos, brands, etc.) may be used unless you own or have a license to use the material for this contest. Written permission must be obtained and provided upon request for all copyrighted or trademarked materials.
- C. A release is required from each person who has a speaking role or is otherwise distinctly featured in the video. (This authorization assures that those involved know that the video may be shown publicly without further consent required.) The release(s) must accompany the submission form and video. It must be signed by the participant(s), and if the participant/student is a minor, it must be signed by the student's parent/guardian.
- D. All entries become the property of PAGE, which assumes all rights and privileges to use.

### Judging Submission Requirements

- A. Video Length: Each video must be between 1 minute (minimum) and 1.5 minutes (maximum) in length.
- B. Application Deadline: Each video must be submitted by the application deadline. No late entries will be considered.
- C. Professional Assistance: Each video must be student-created. No professional writing, editing, or production assistance, or AI is allowed.
- D. Creative Format: Students may choose a desired video format (e.g., commercial, news broadcast, music video, etc.) but content should be aligned to the competition theme.
- E. Submission: FGE Advisor will upload the video and all talent releases in the competition entry form.
- F. Copyright Material: Please note that submissions for the FGE video competition should not include any copyrighted material, such as music, images, or video clips, unless participants have obtained proper licenses or permissions. We encourage the use of original content or royalty-free resources.

### Judging and Scoring

- A. The judges' decisions are final.
- B. Scoring is based on the Essay Competition rubric (see Judge's Scoring Rubric in this PDF).

### Eligibility/How to Enter

- A. This competition is only for affiliated FGE chapters.
- B. To be eligible to compete, the school must have attended at least one FGE day during the current school year or be registered to attend at Middle Georgia State University on April 15.
- C. Only one entry per school.
- D. Submit your entry form online, and we will email you a link to a Dropbox folder where you will upload your video and release forms. **These must be uploaded by midnight on March 27, 2026.**

# VIDEO COMPETITION

## Judge's Scoring Rubric

Name of School:

*(Points awarded may range between zero and the maximum number indicated.)*

<b>A. GUIDELINES</b>	<b>Possible Points</b>	<b>Points Assigned</b>
The video is between 1 minute (minimum) and 1/5 minutes (maximum) in length.	5	
<b>B. ORGANIZATION</b>		
The video is organized, structured and flows logically; it is well-planned with appropriate transitions and edits	20	
<b>C. CONTENT</b>		
The video explains the topic and inspires appreciation for teachers	25	
<b>D. CREATIVITY</b>		
The video is original, engaging, and presents a new way of looking at the topic	30	
<b>E. PRODUCTION QUALITY</b>		
The video's footage, images, lighting, audio, and overall production are of good quality; the sound is balanced and easy to hear	20	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	

Judges' Comments: