Using Tabroom

to judge Speech Rounds

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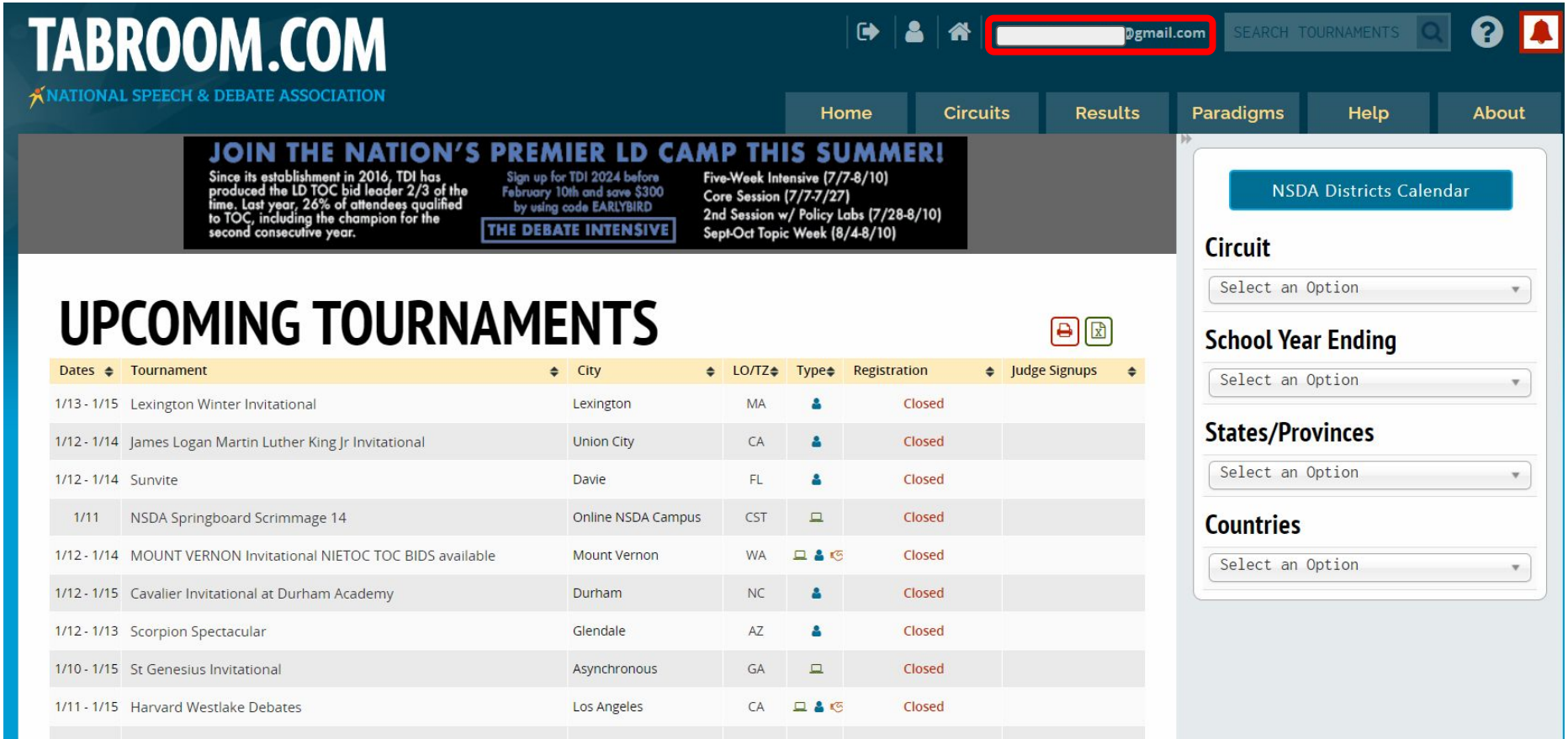

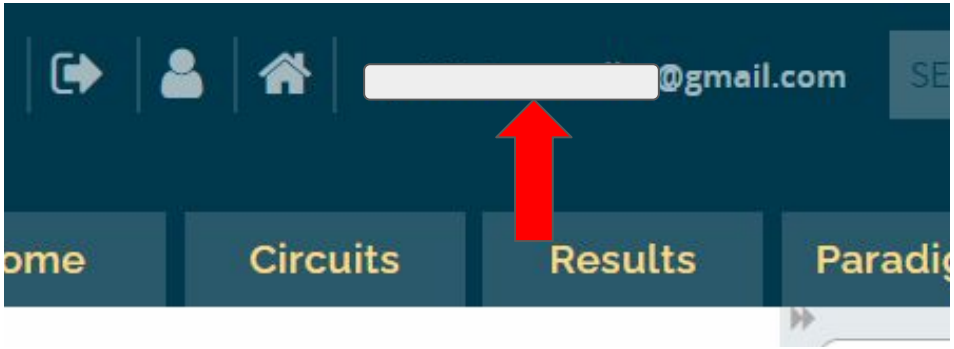

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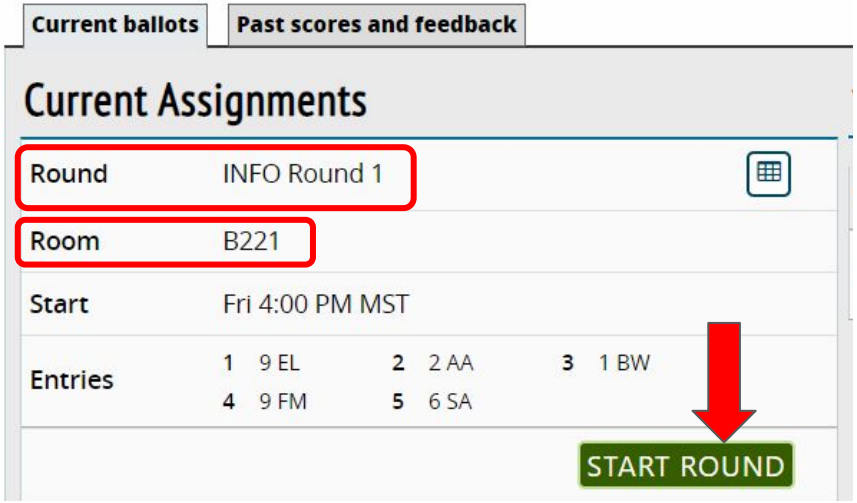

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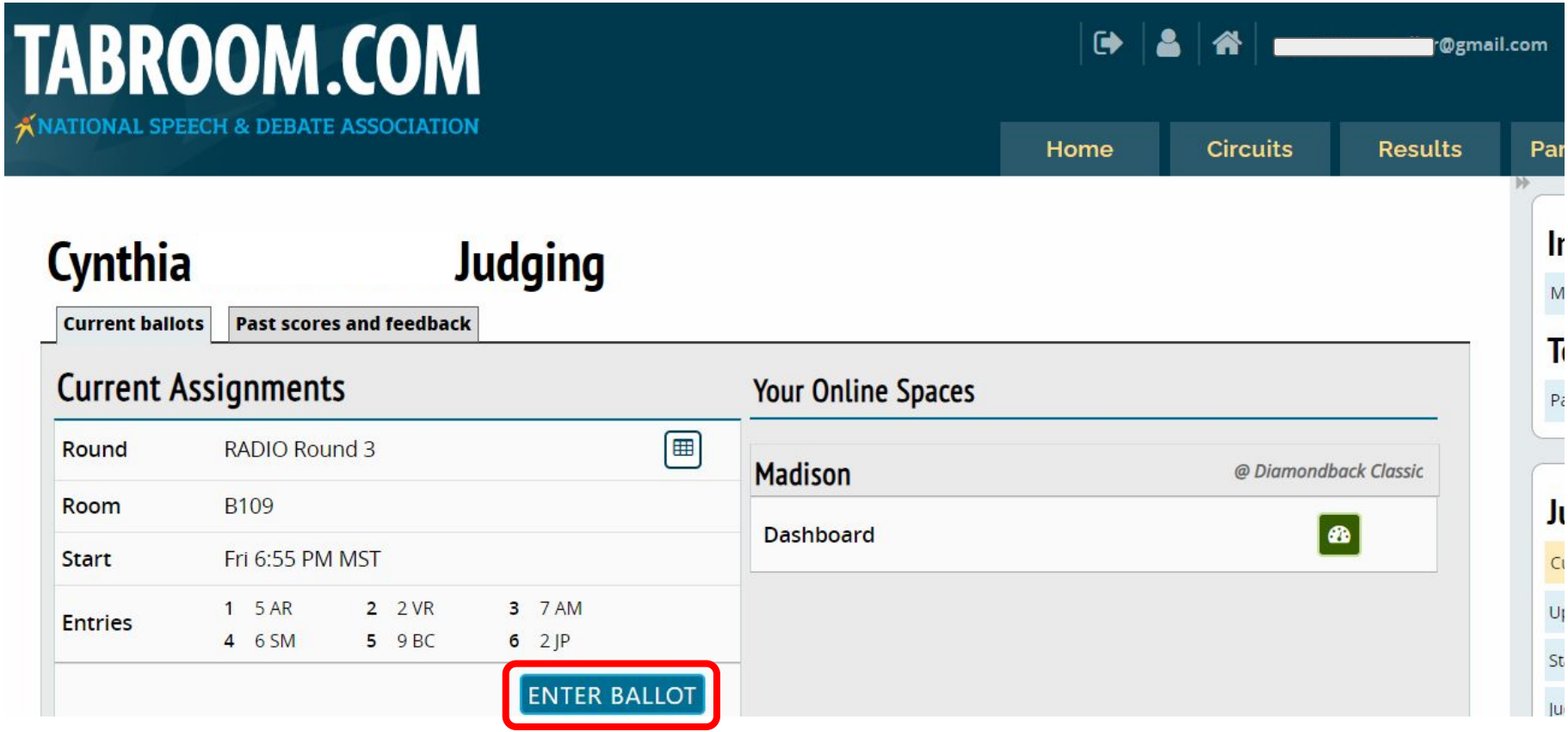

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RADIO ROUND 3

Cynthia

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2nd	2 VR			☐
3rd	7 AM			☐
4th	6 SM			☐
5th	† 9 BC			☐
6th	† 2 JP			☐

Submit Ballot

This round Start: 6:55 PM

Round Round 3

Room B109

Entry

Timers

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10:00

When you arrive to your room, you may enter and get set up. Students will join you shortly or may already be waiting outside. Before you let them start presenting, take a quick roll call using these codes. In Speech, you may begin before all presenters are in the room. After a speech has finished other students may enter. Make sure to ask the code before each presenter to be sure points and rank are awarded correctly.
For Radio, Extemp, and Retold Story students will arrive one at a time beginning 30 minutes after you receive your ballot.

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If you see this symbol next to a competitor's code, this means they are entered in more than one speech event. They may come late to the round or need to leave after presenting.

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The above section will give you instructions from the tournament. These will often include rules for the specific event. The tournament usually has a new judges packet with more information on each event.

On the right side of the screen will be a timer. Each event has specific time limits. These should be noted on the ballot and/or can be found in the Judge's packet. You may need to adjust the preset time entered to be correct for your event.

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Round Round 3

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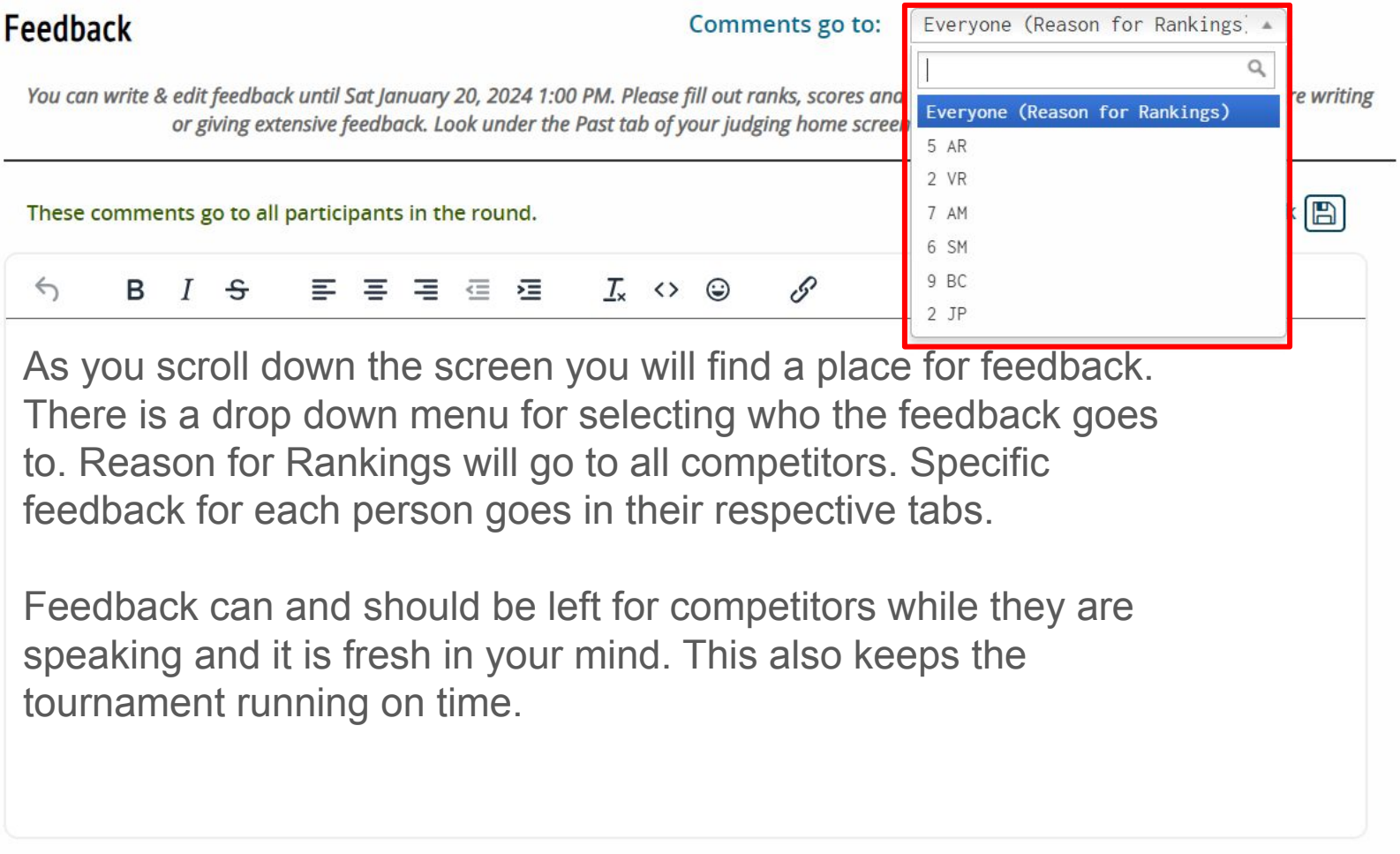
Feedback
Comments go to:
Everyone (Reason for Rankings)
You can write & edit feedback until Sat January 20, 2024 1:00 PM. Please fill out ranks, scores and
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These comments go to all participants in the round.
As you scroll down the screen you will find a place for feedback. There is a drop down menu for selecting who the feedback goes to. Reason for Rankings will go to all competitors. Specific feedback for each person goes in their respective tabs.
Feedback can and should be left for competitors while they are speaking and it is fresh in your mind. This also keeps the tournament running on time.

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- Do not leave comments on clothing, hairstyles, piercings, or any other appearance related opinions. Feedback should be limited to the presentation of ideas, performance of event, and if the competitor met the requirements for the event. For example: maybe their commercial in Radio needed to be longer.
- Balanced feedback is ideal. These are the things you did great. These are the things you can improve next time.
- Reason for Rankings helps the competitors know which performances were the most effective. It’s the place to tell why you made the decision you did.
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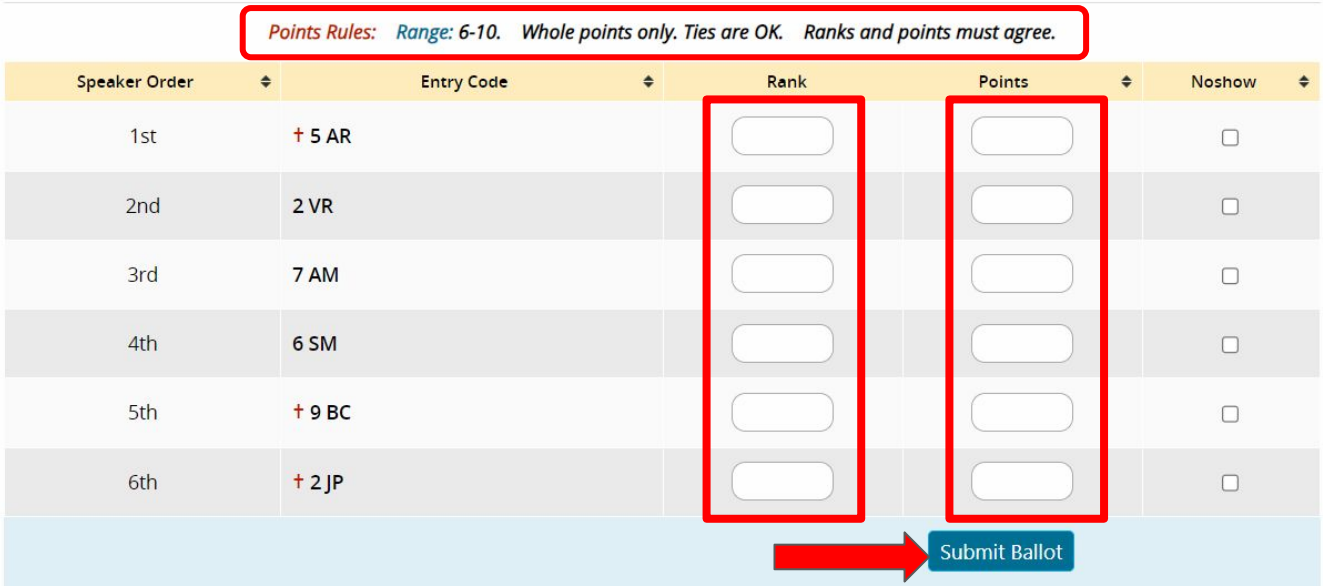

Each speaker (or team if judging Duo) is awarded points for their performance during the round. The range will be set by the tournament but is usually 6-10, with 10 being highest.

In most cases, Ranks will be 1-6. Assign the person you felt did the best performance the rank of 1. Next best is 2, and so on. Points must agree with rank. You can't have someone ranked 1 with 8 points while someone else is ranked 2 with 10 points. The highest points awarded has to go to rank 1. You can tie with points but ranks must be different.
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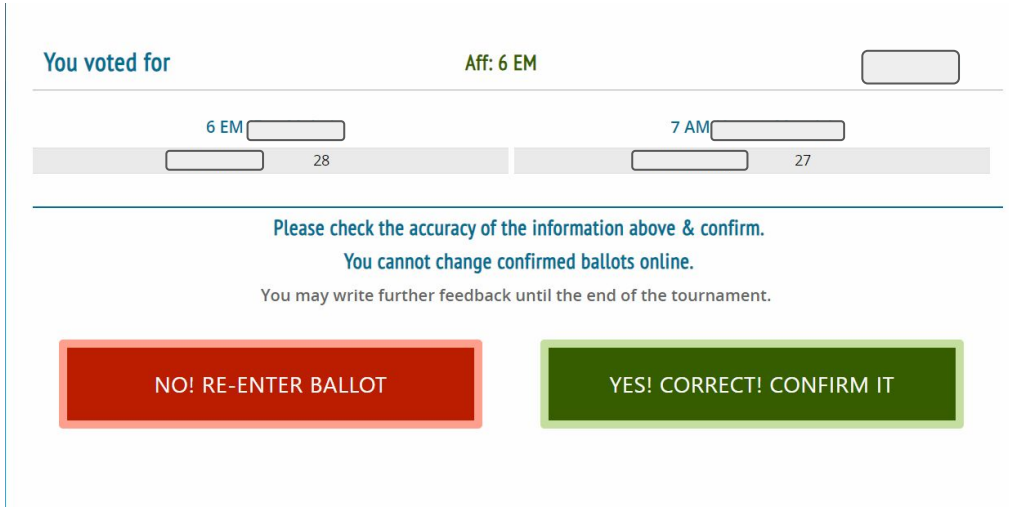

After clicking submit ballot you will be taken to a final page where you can double check your Rank and Points selection. If it looks correct, confirm your decision.

Most tournaments request that you submit your decisions quickly so the next rounds can get started. Feedback can be edited or added to after a decision has been submitted until the end of the tournament. Points and Ranks cannot be changed after being submitted.

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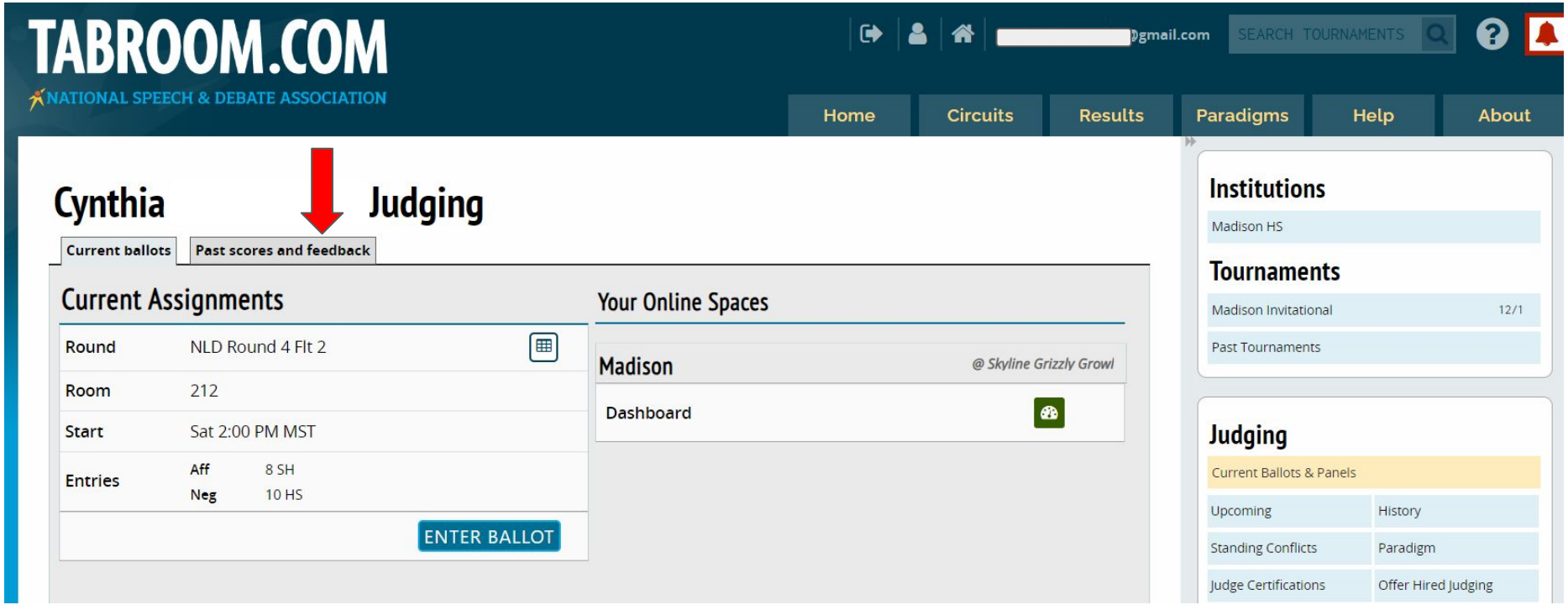

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Current ballots | Past scores and feedback

Past Ballots

You may edit comments until the tournament ends.
You cannot change scores once confirmed; contact tournament officials to fix errors

RADIO Round 3	*Diamondback Classic*		Edit Feedback
1st spkr	5 AR	2	9
2nd spkr	2 VR	6	7
3rd spkr	7 AM	5	8
4th spkr	6 SM	1	9
5th spkr	9 BC	3	9
6th spkr	2 JP	4	9

RTLD Round 2	*Diamondback Classic*		Edit Feedback
1st spkr	9 MB	3	8
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Tournaments

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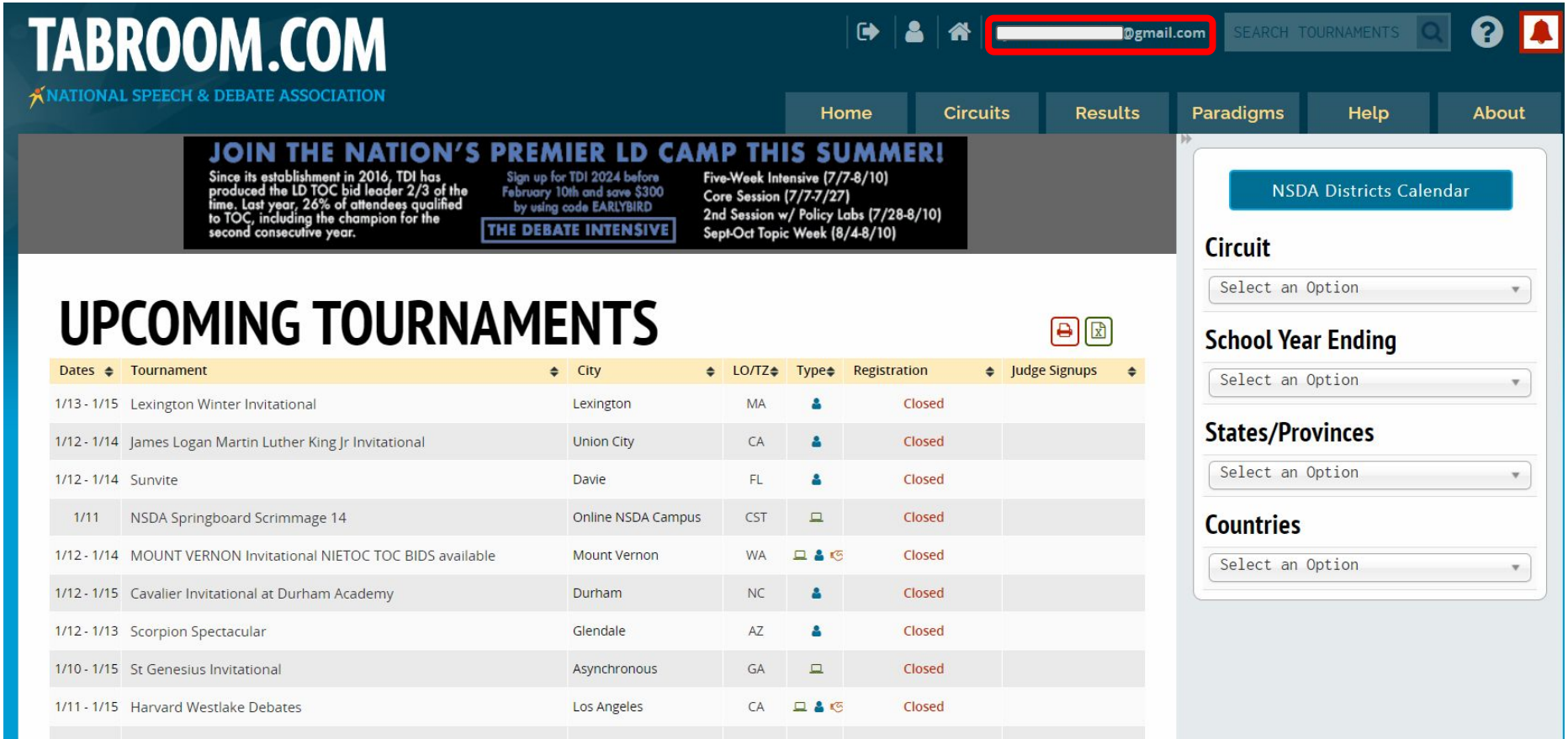

Dates	Tournament	City	LO/TZ	Type	Registration	Judge Signups
1/13 - 1/15	Lexington Winter Invitational	Lexington	MA		Closed	
1/12 - 1/14	James Logan Martin Luther King Jr Invitational	Union City	CA		Closed	
1/12 - 1/14	Sunvite	Davie	FL		Closed	
1/11	NSDA Springboard Scrimmage 14	Online NSDA Campus	CST		Closed	
1/12 - 1/14	MOUNT VERNON Invitational NIETOC TOC BIDS available	Mount Vernon	WA		Closed	
1/12 - 1/15	Cavalier Invitational at Durham Academy	Durham	NC		Closed	
1/12 - 1/13	Scorpion Spectacular	Glendale	AZ		Closed	
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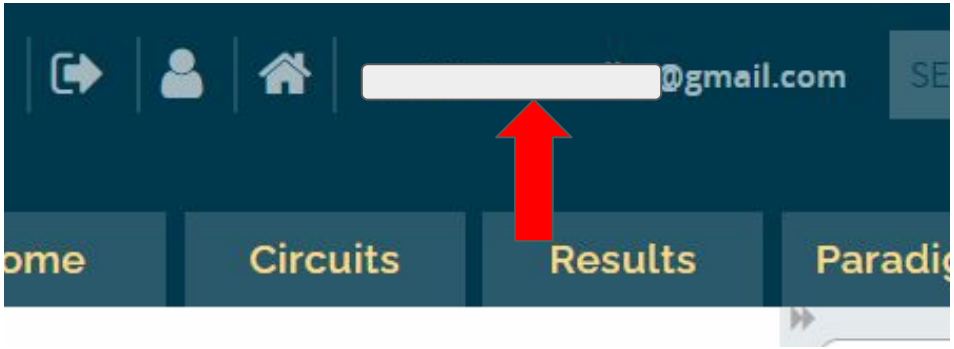

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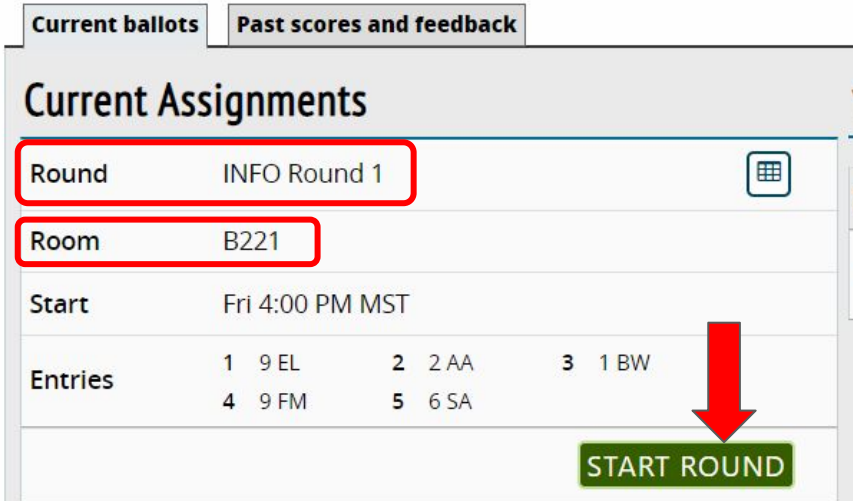

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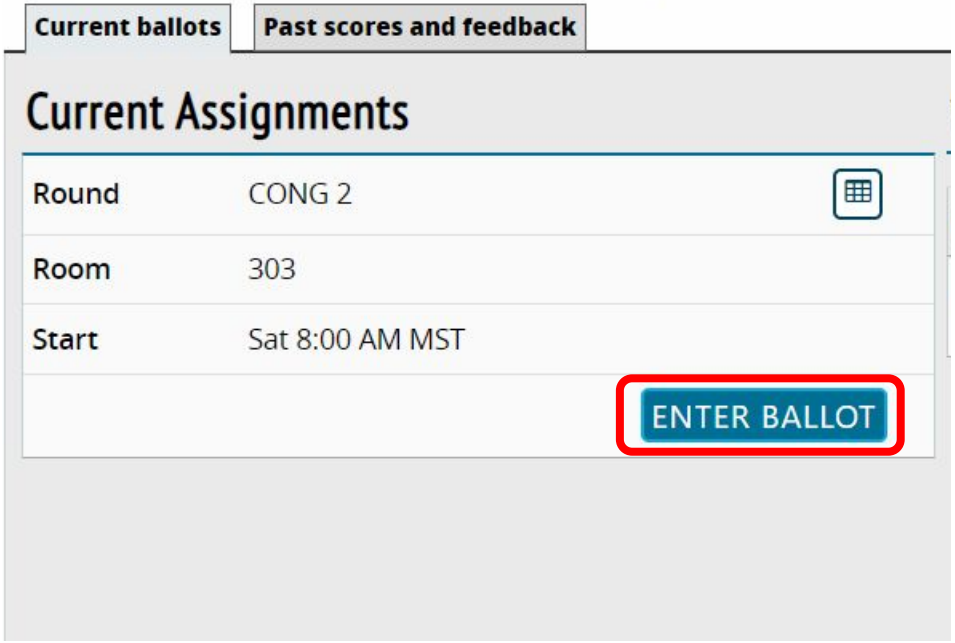

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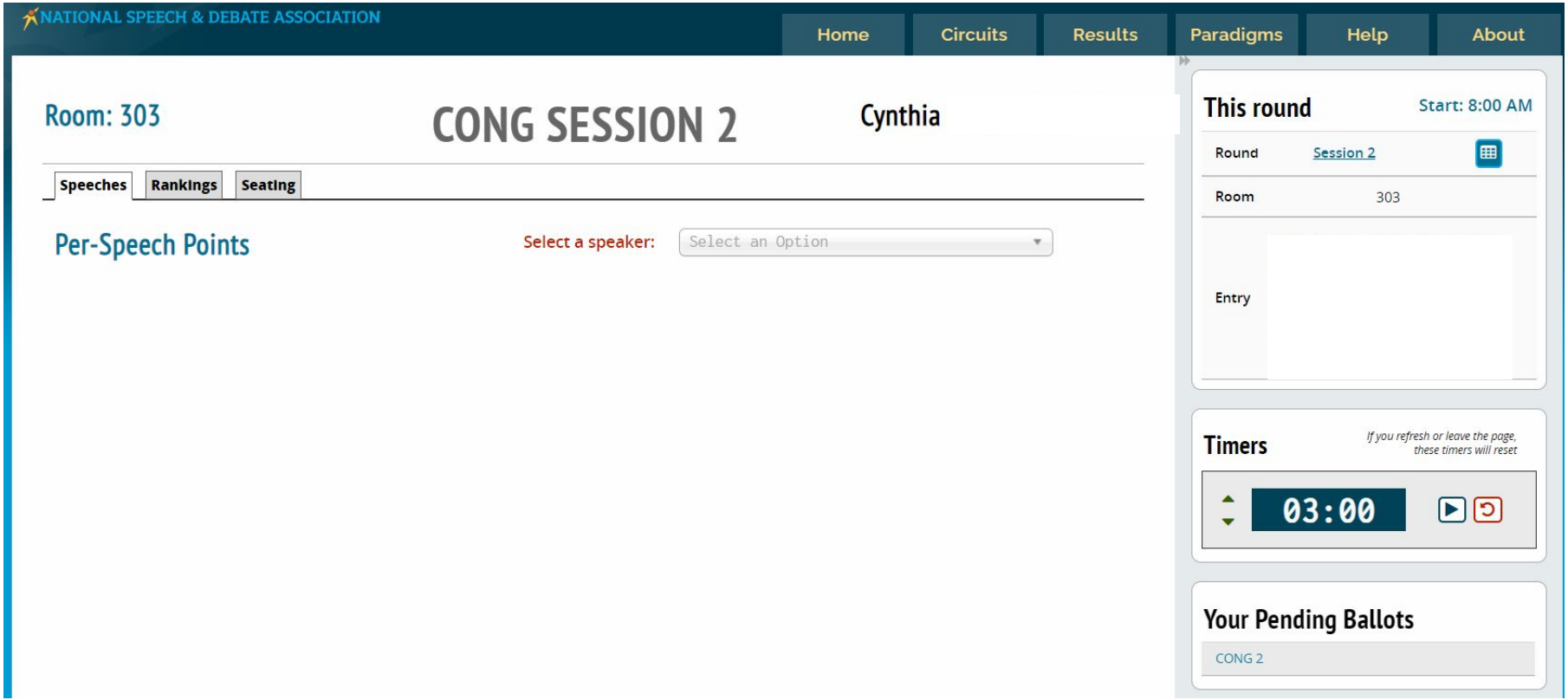

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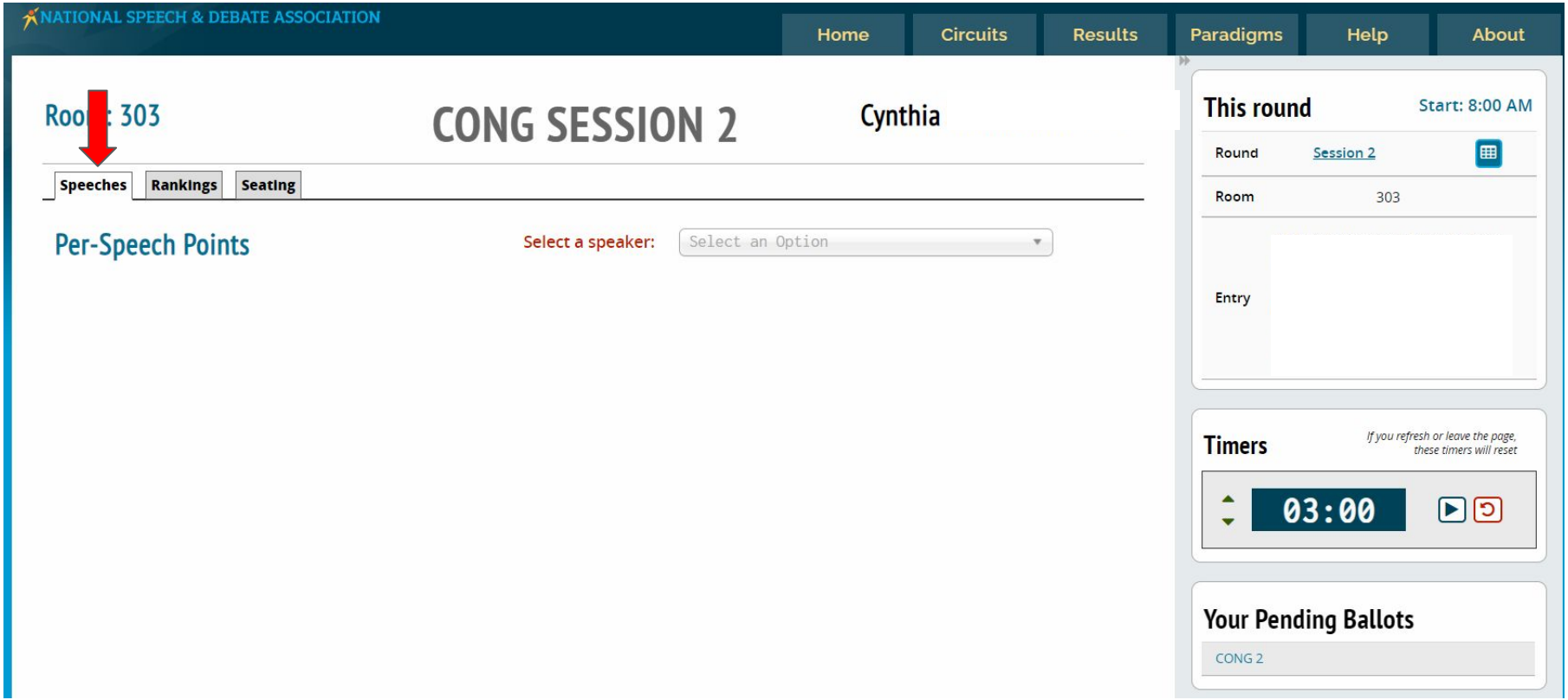
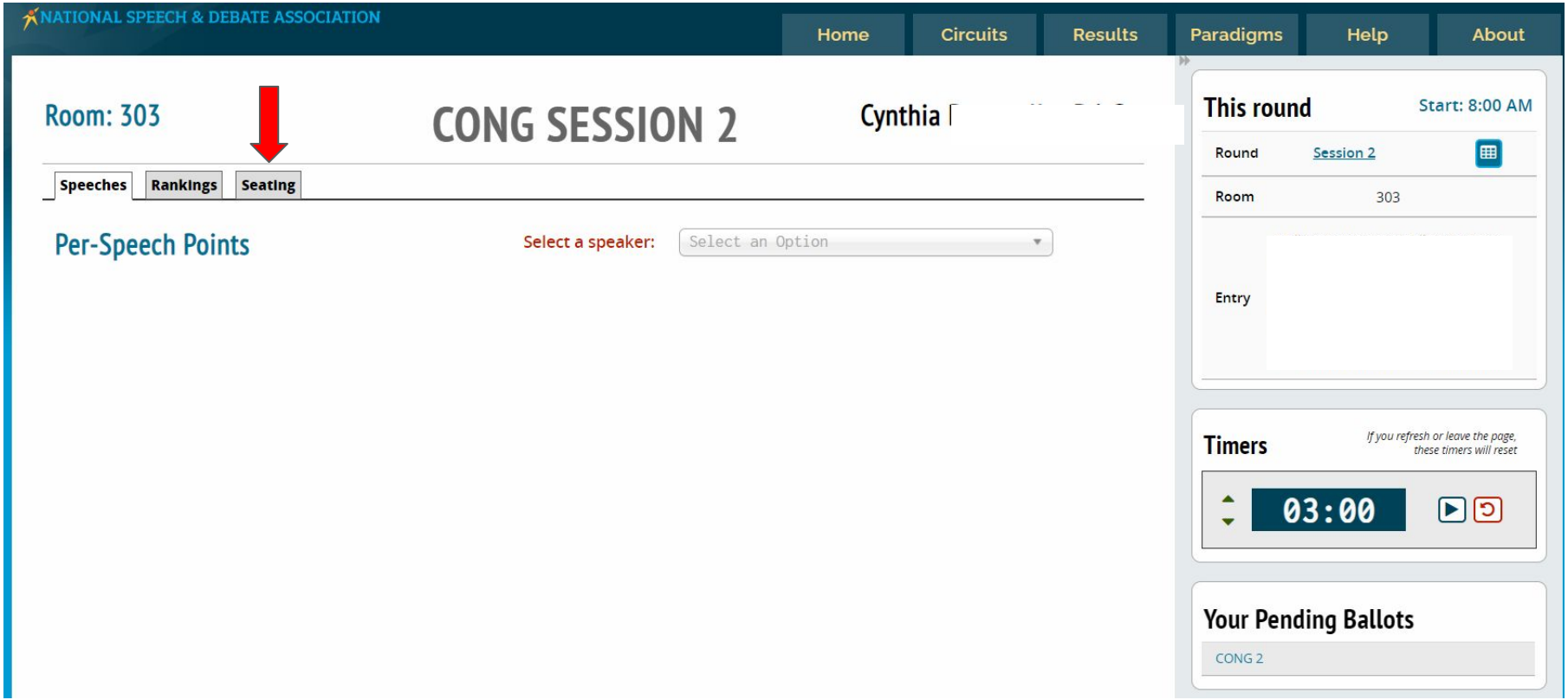


Seating for the Speakers is assigned. You may receive a paper copy of the seating chart and you can also find it here.



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CONG SESSION 2

Cynthia

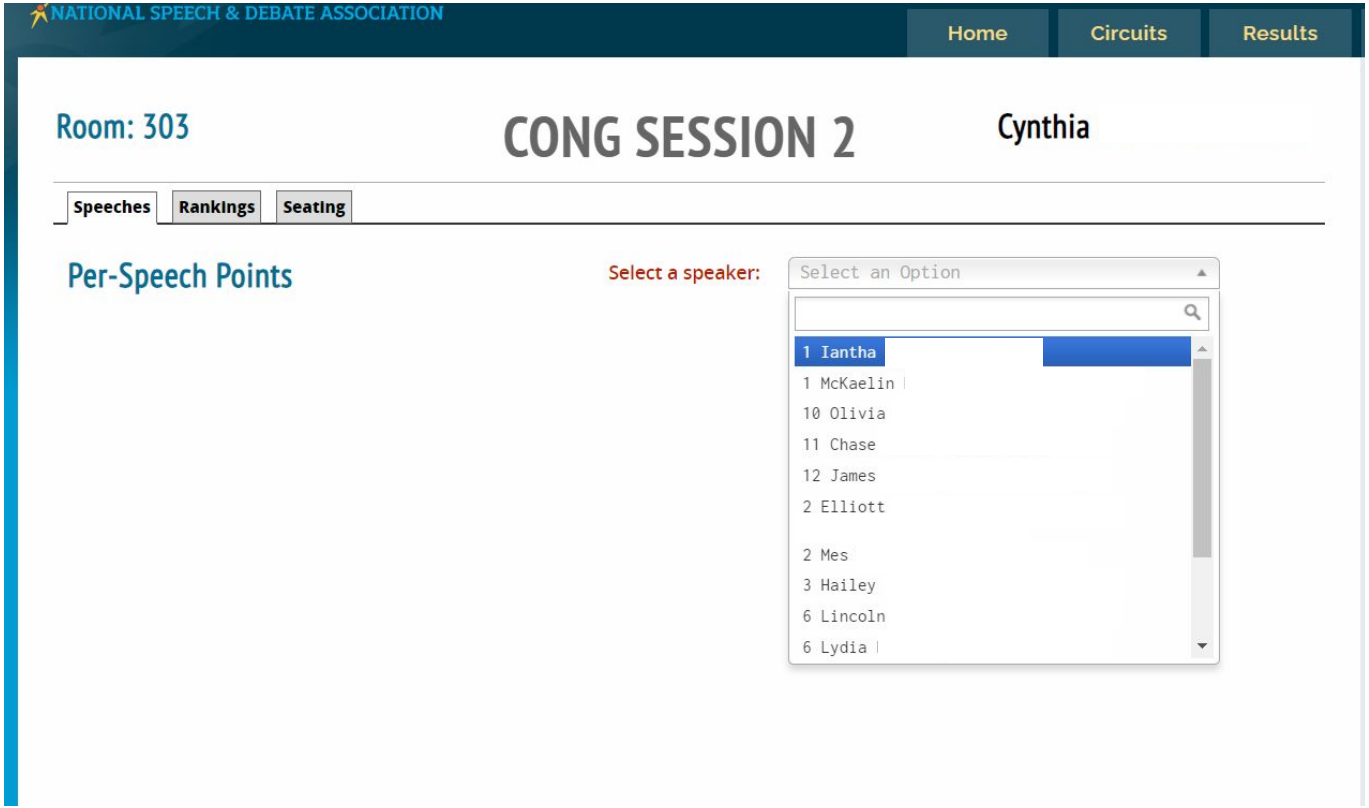
Speeches | Rankings | Seating

Front of Room

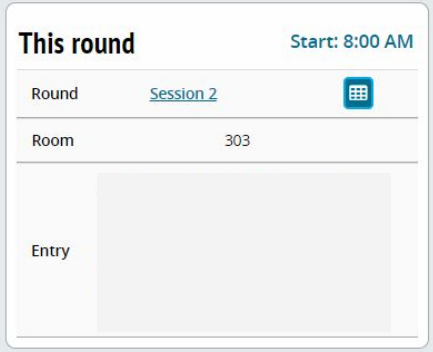
9 Macey	6 Lincoln	7 Karl	2 Mes	1 Iantha
11 Chase	1 McKaelin	9 Mason	7 Emery	12 James
	2 Elliott	3 Hailey	6 Lydia	10 Olivia

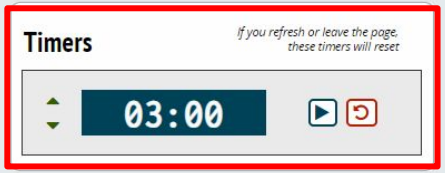
Back of Room

You will judge each competitor multiple times, once for each speech given. Use the drop down menu to find the correct representative.



The representatives will state their names when the begin speaking. You may need to scroll through the drop down menu to find them.





Speeches are 3 minutes. You can use this timer to keep track, but the PO will also be timing. You do not need to stop a speaker.

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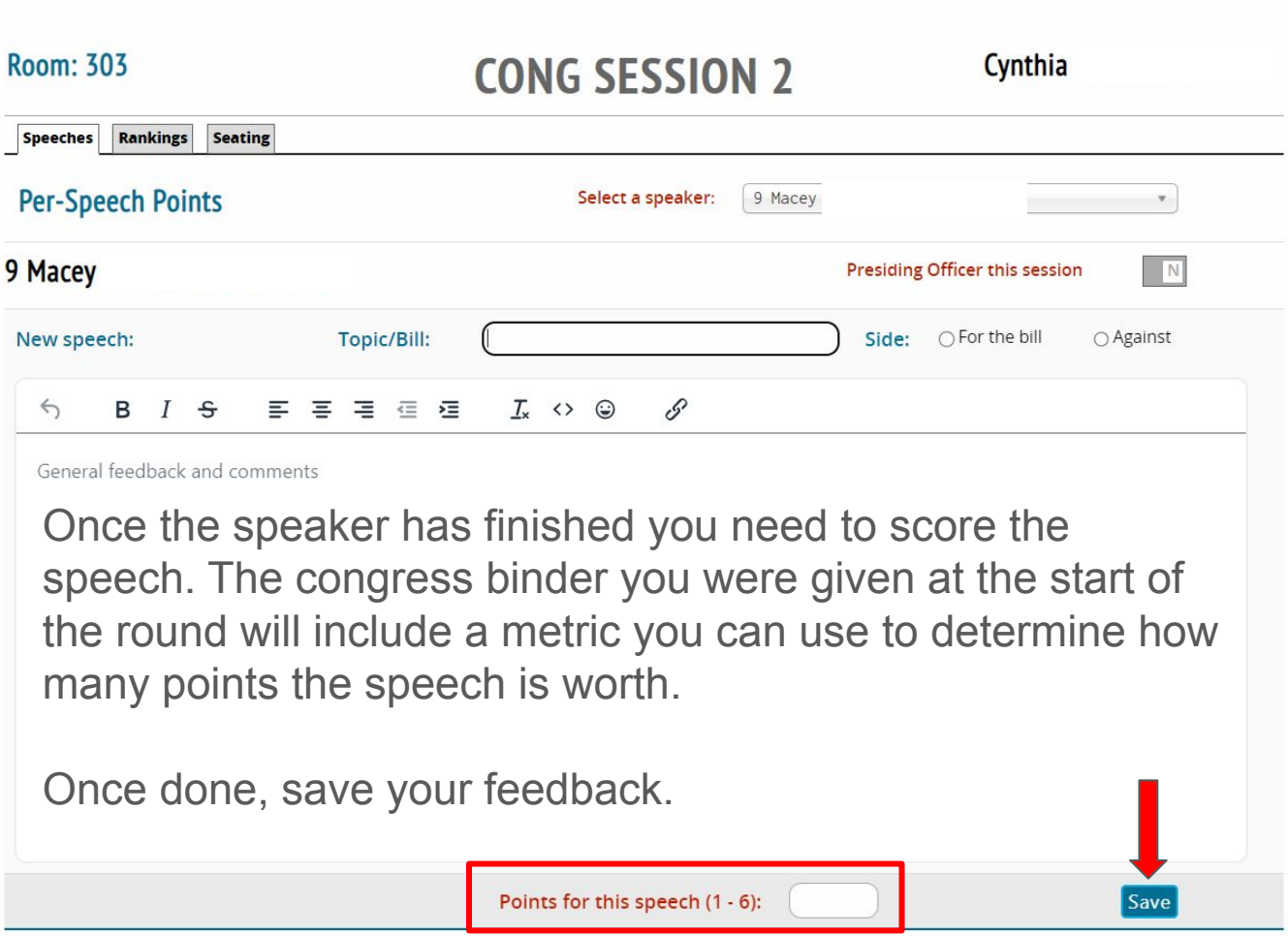
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CONG SESSION 2
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Per-Speech Points
Select a speaker:
9 Macey
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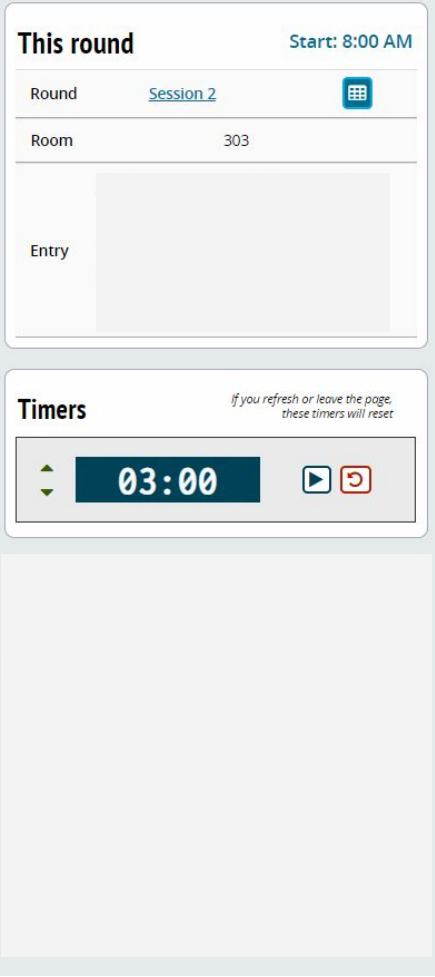
Presiding Officer this session
N
New speech:
Topic/Bill:
Side:
For the bill
Against
General feedback and comments
Once the speaker has finished you need to score the speech. The congress binder you were given at the start of the round will include a metric you can use to determine how many points the speech is worth.
Once done, save your feedback.
Points for this speech (1 - 6):
Save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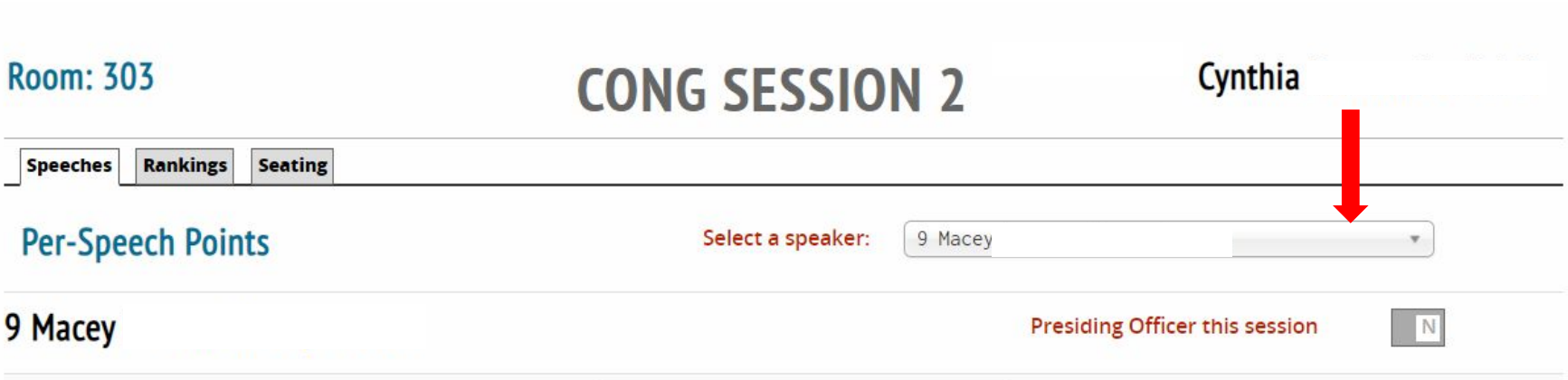
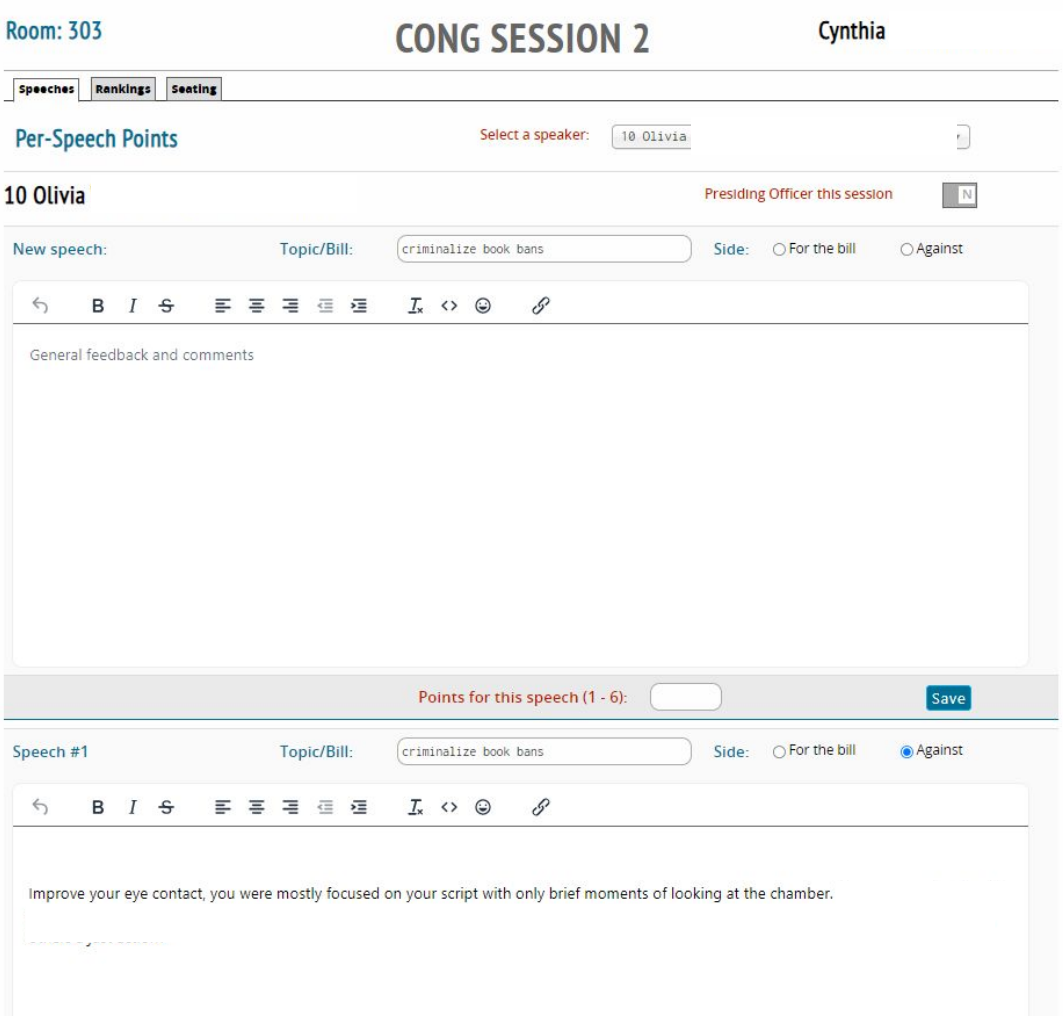
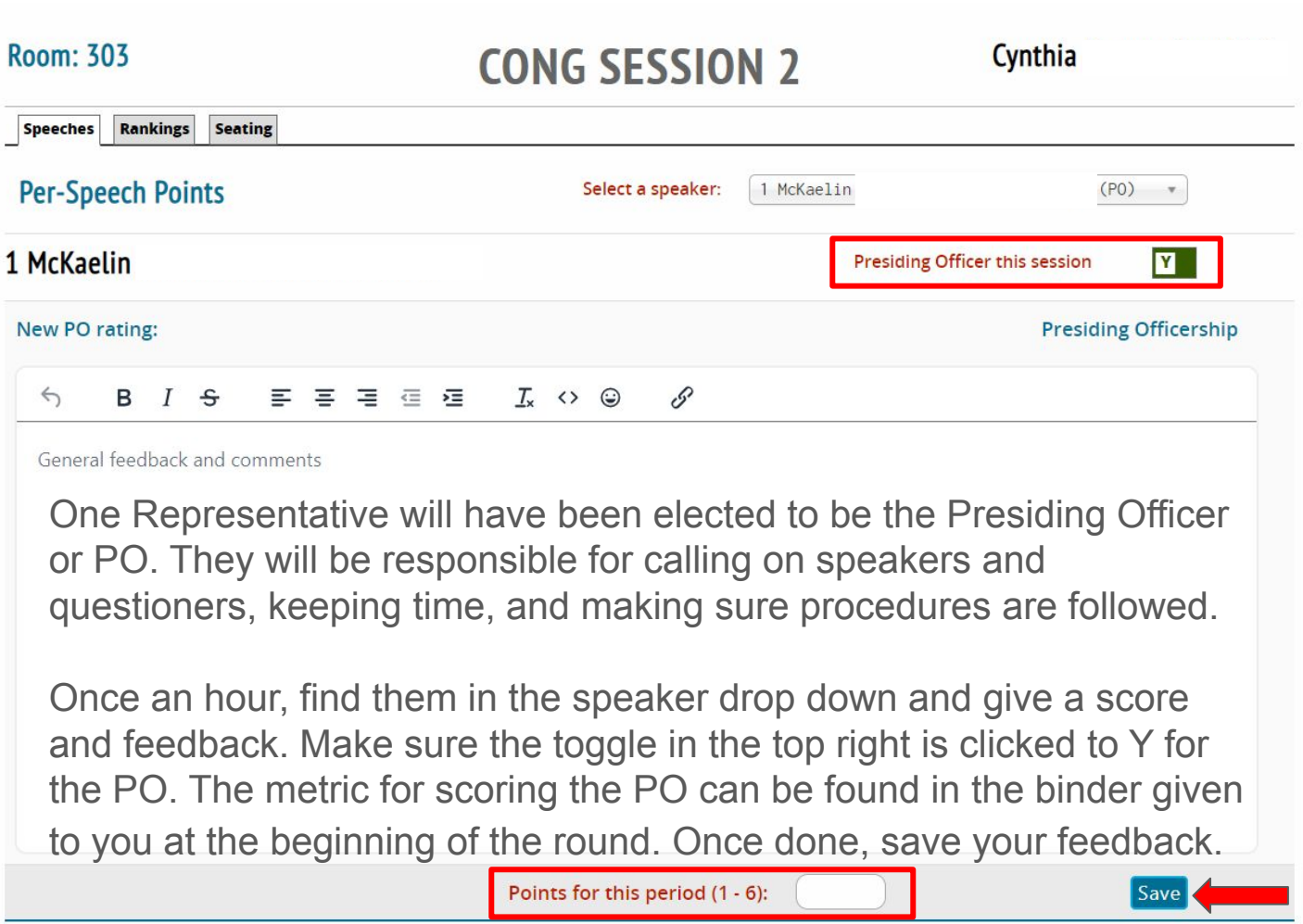


When the next speaker is called, use the drop down menu at the top right of the ballot to select the next speaker. When you move to a new speaker it will start a new speech for that Representative. Continue this process for each speech.

If needed, scroll down on the speech page to see past speeches given by a Representative in this session.

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1 McKaelin
(PO)
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Presiding Officer this session
Y
New PO rating:
Presiding Officership
General feedback and comments
One Representative will have been elected to be the Presiding Officer or PO. They will be responsible for calling on speakers and questioners, keeping time, and making sure procedures are followed.
Once an hour, find them in the speaker drop down and give a score and feedback. Make sure the toggle in the top right is clicked to Y for the PO. The metric for scoring the PO can be found in the binder given to you at the beginning of the round. Once done, save your feedback.
Points for this period (1 - 6):
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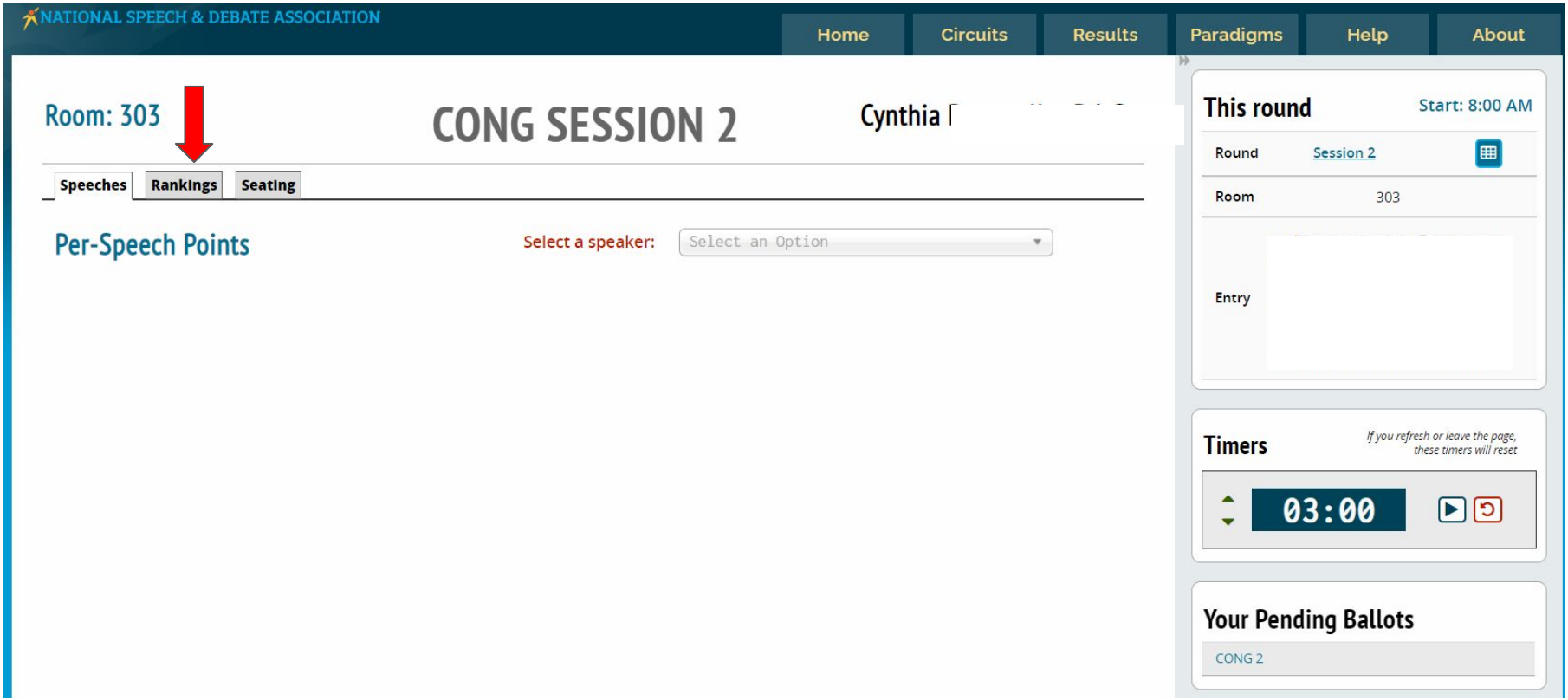
When the session has ended, it is time to rank the Speakers in order of how well you think they did. Click on the rankings tab.



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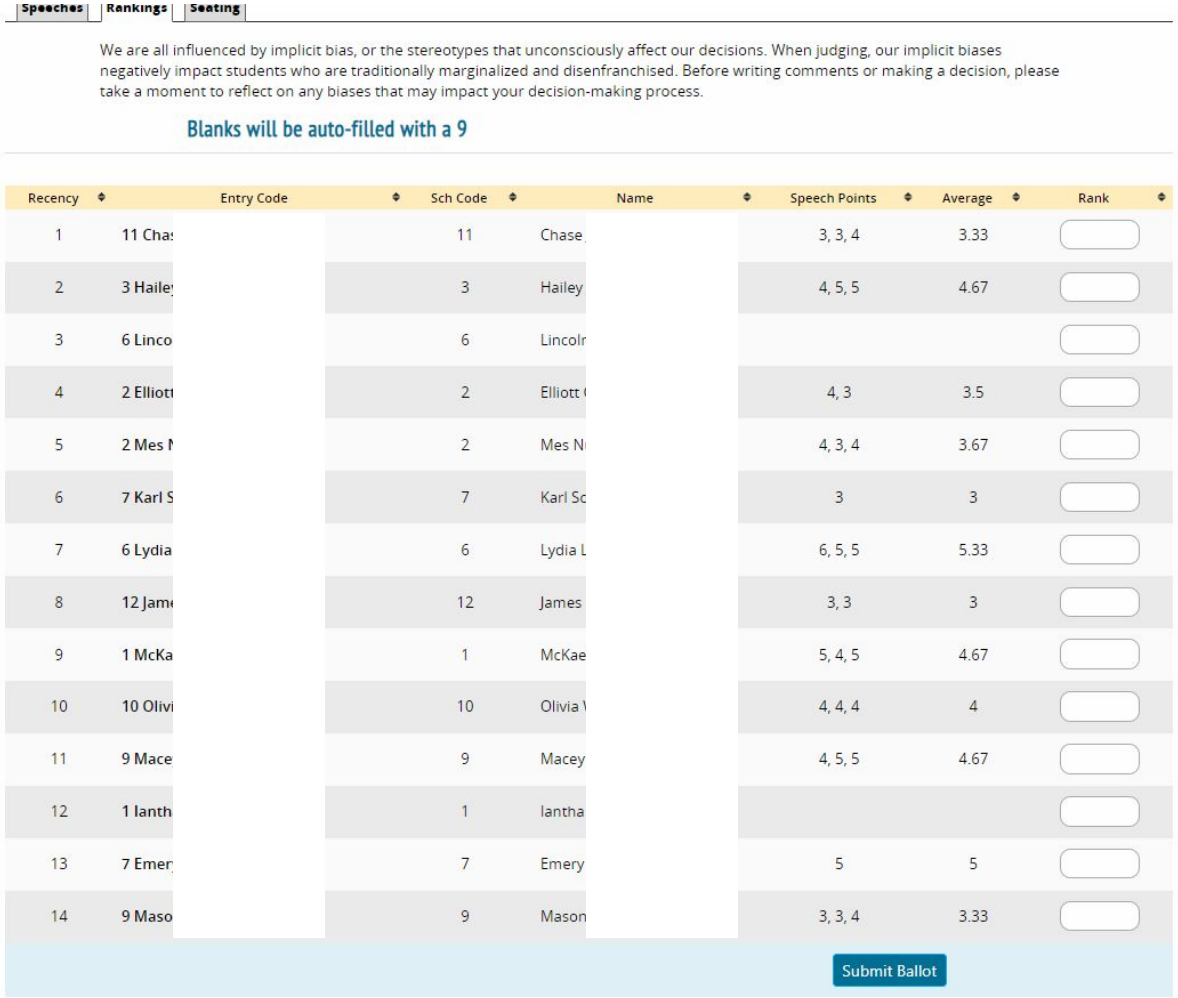
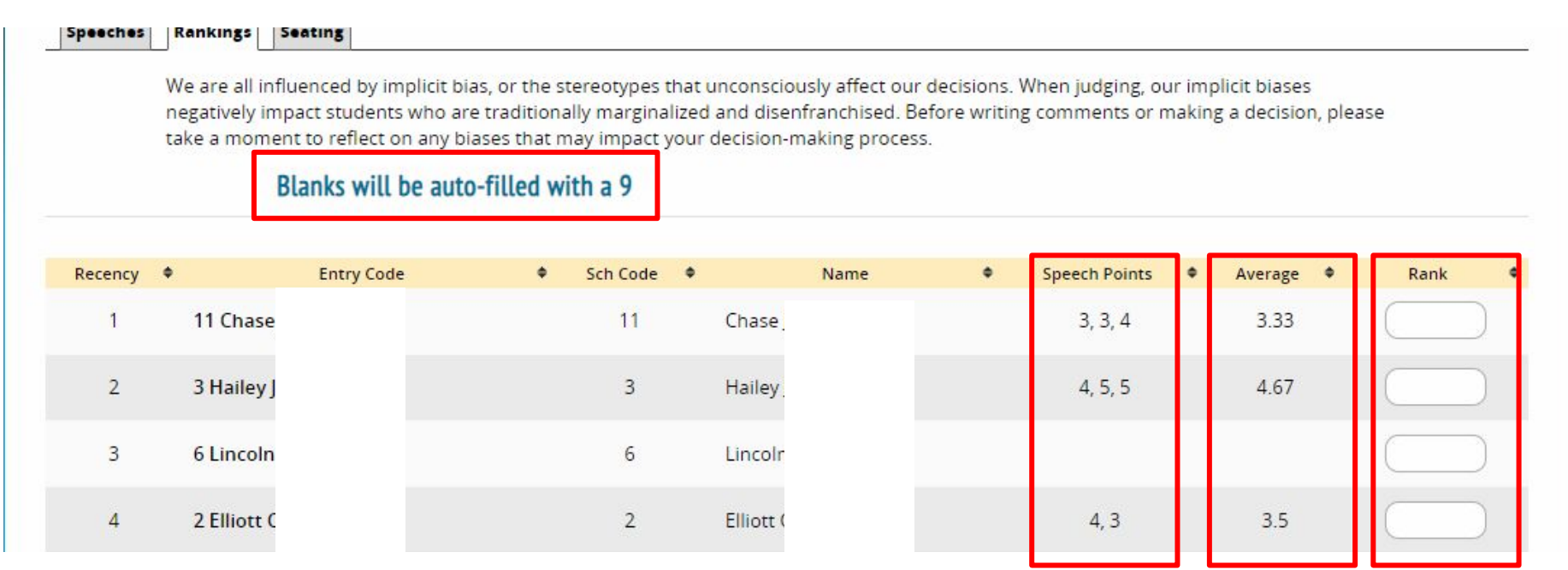
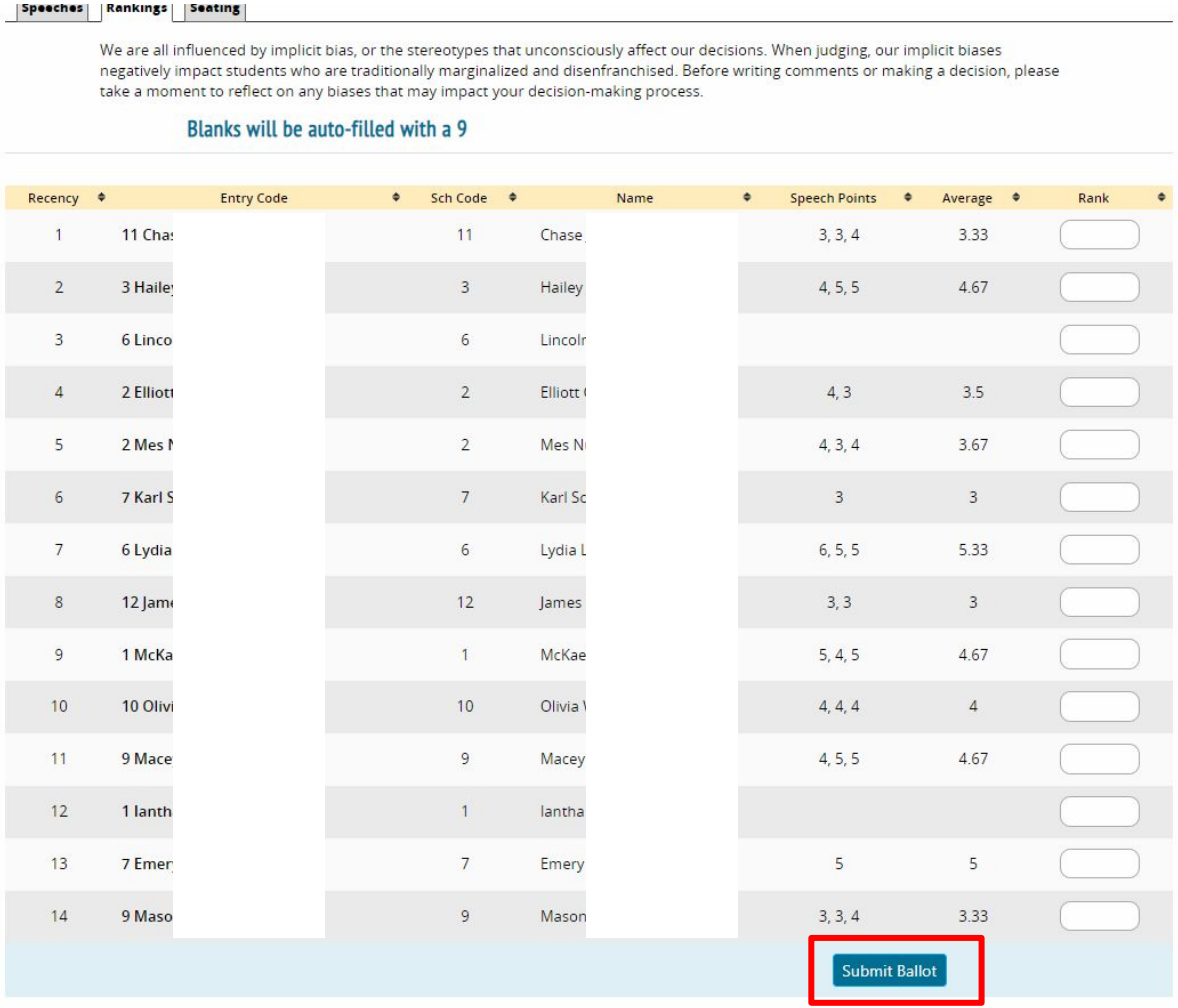
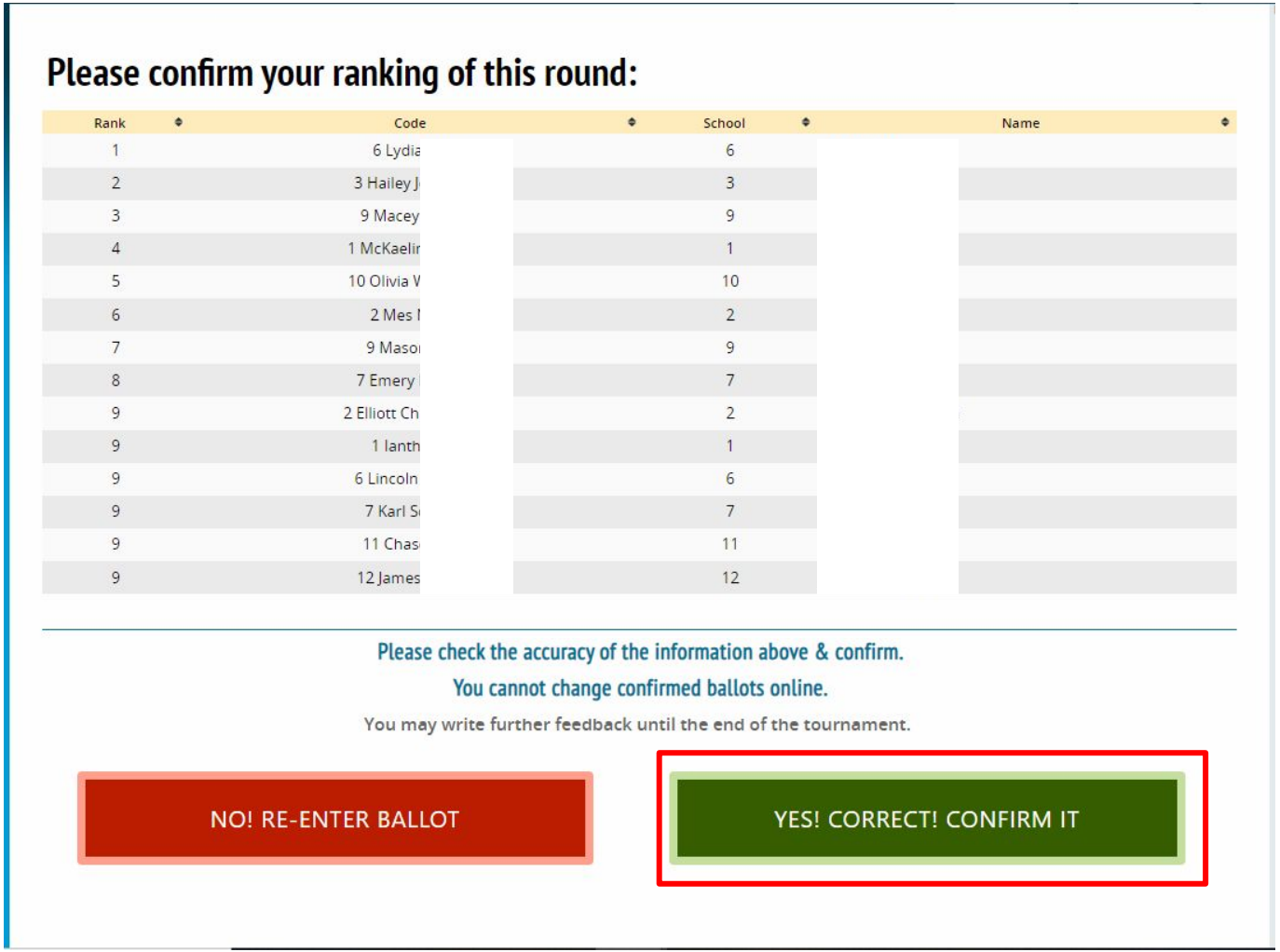




The speech points will tell you what score you have given to each speaker for each speech. You can see that some Speakers have 3 scores, that is because they gave 3 speeches. Next you will see the average score you assigned each speaker. Finally, provide a rank of 1-8 for who you believe are the top 8 speakers. All other speakers will be ranked a 9 (unless instructed otherwise by the tournament. That information is also found at the top of the ranking page.)

Once you have ranked each Speaker, click submit ballot.





After clicking submit, you will be taken to a confirmation screen. Double check that your entries were recorded correctly, and then confirm your ballot.
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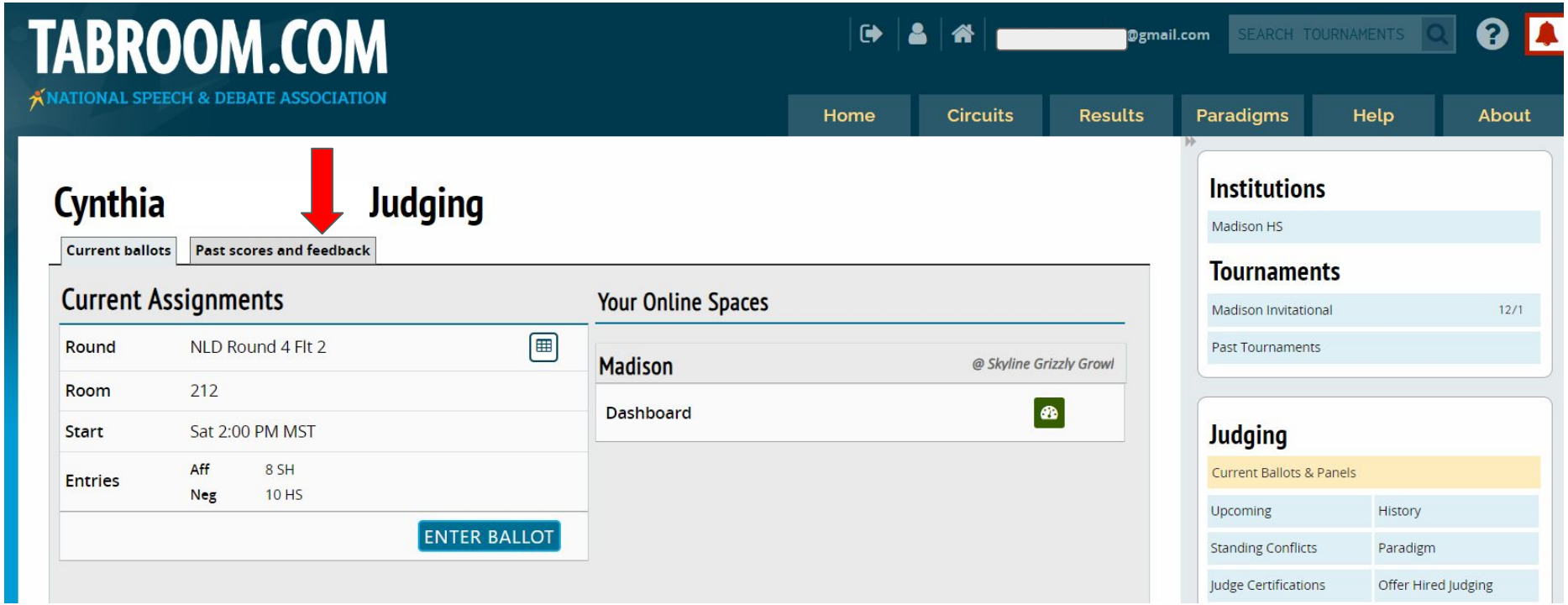

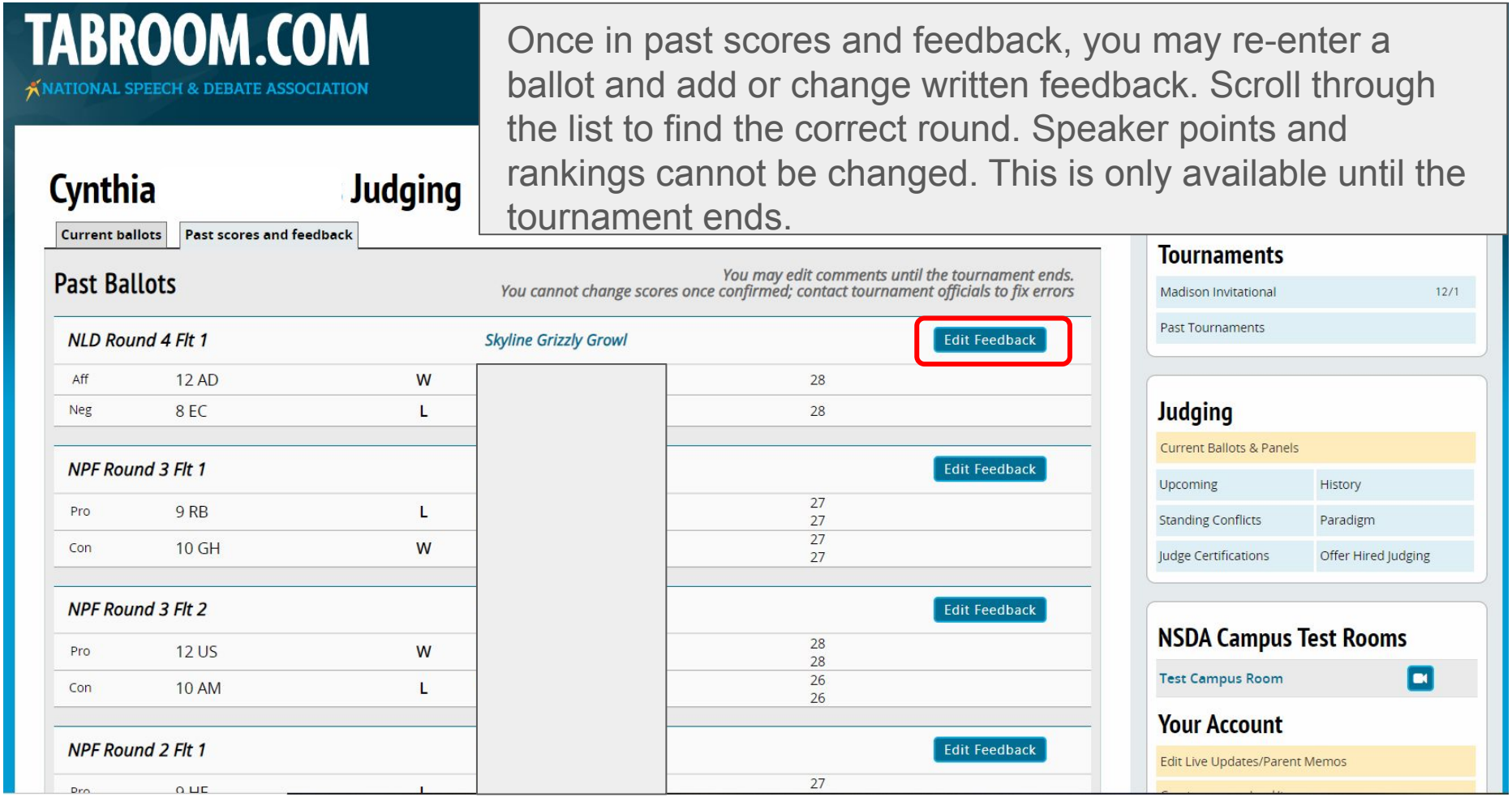

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Lincoln Douglas, Public Forum, Policy (CX), Big Questions

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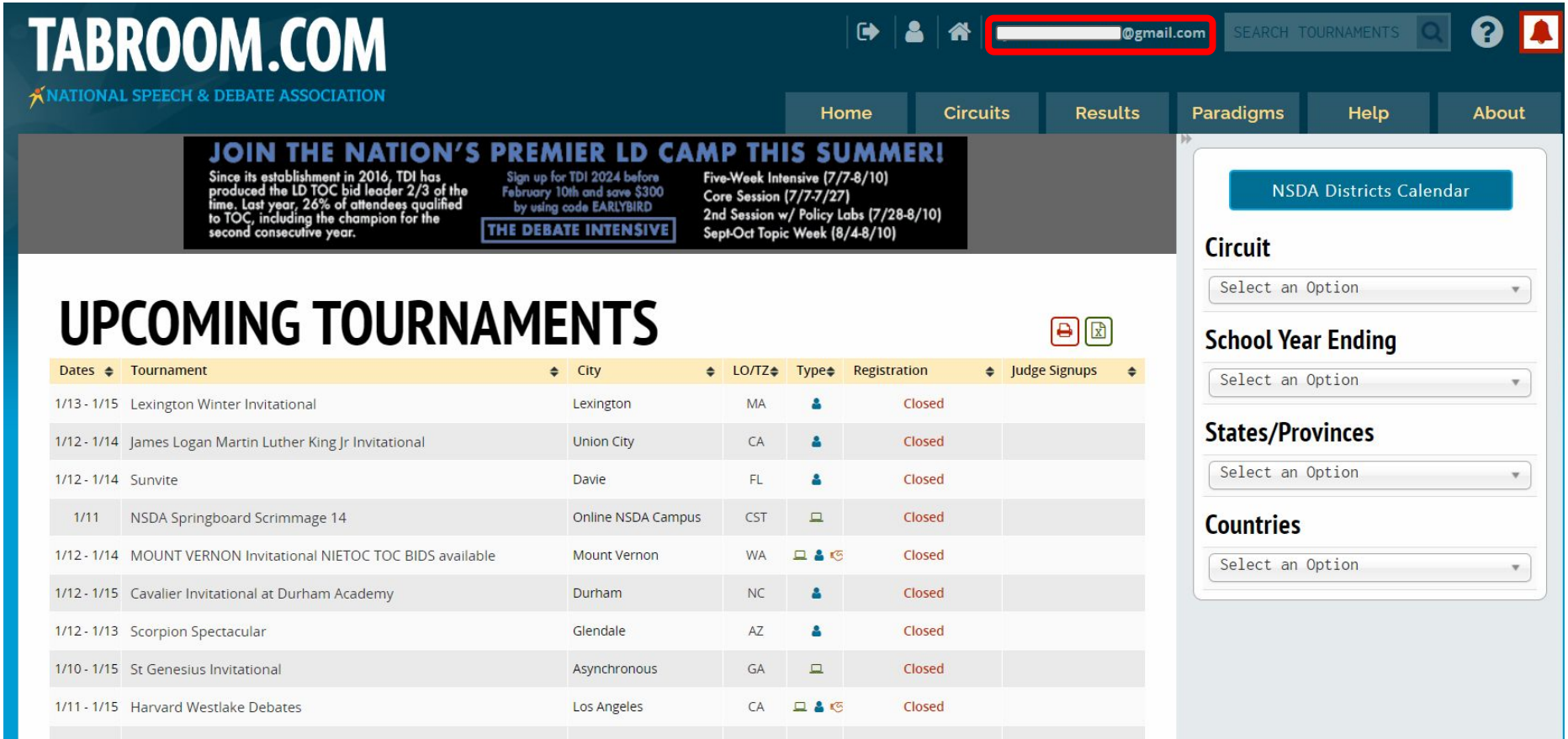
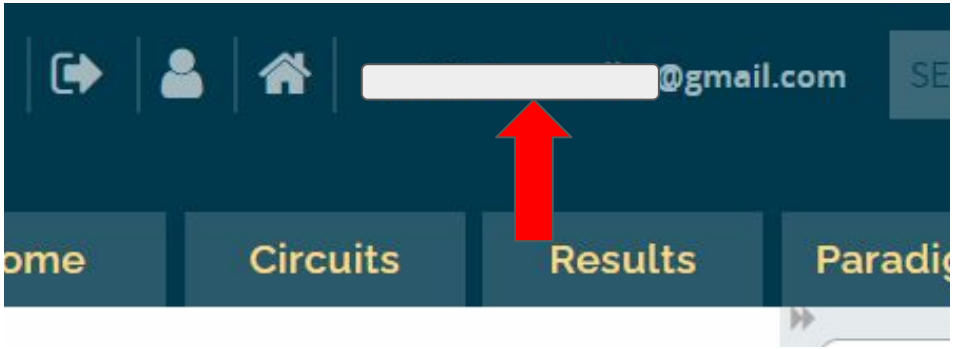
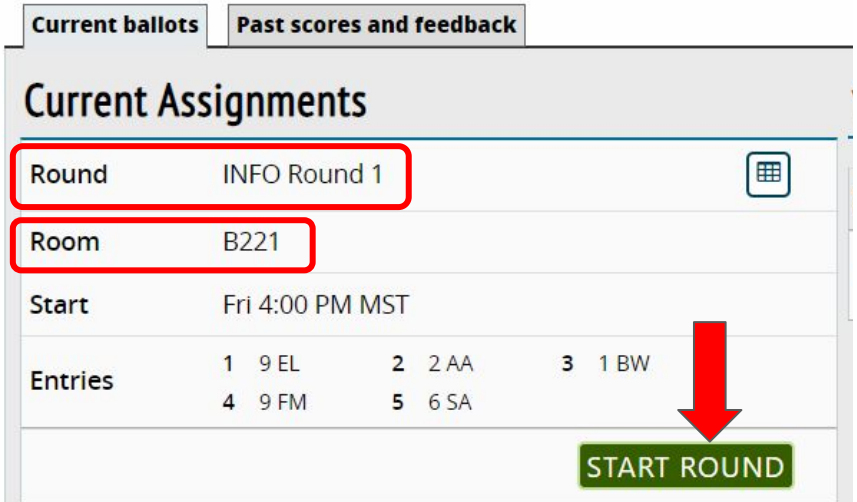


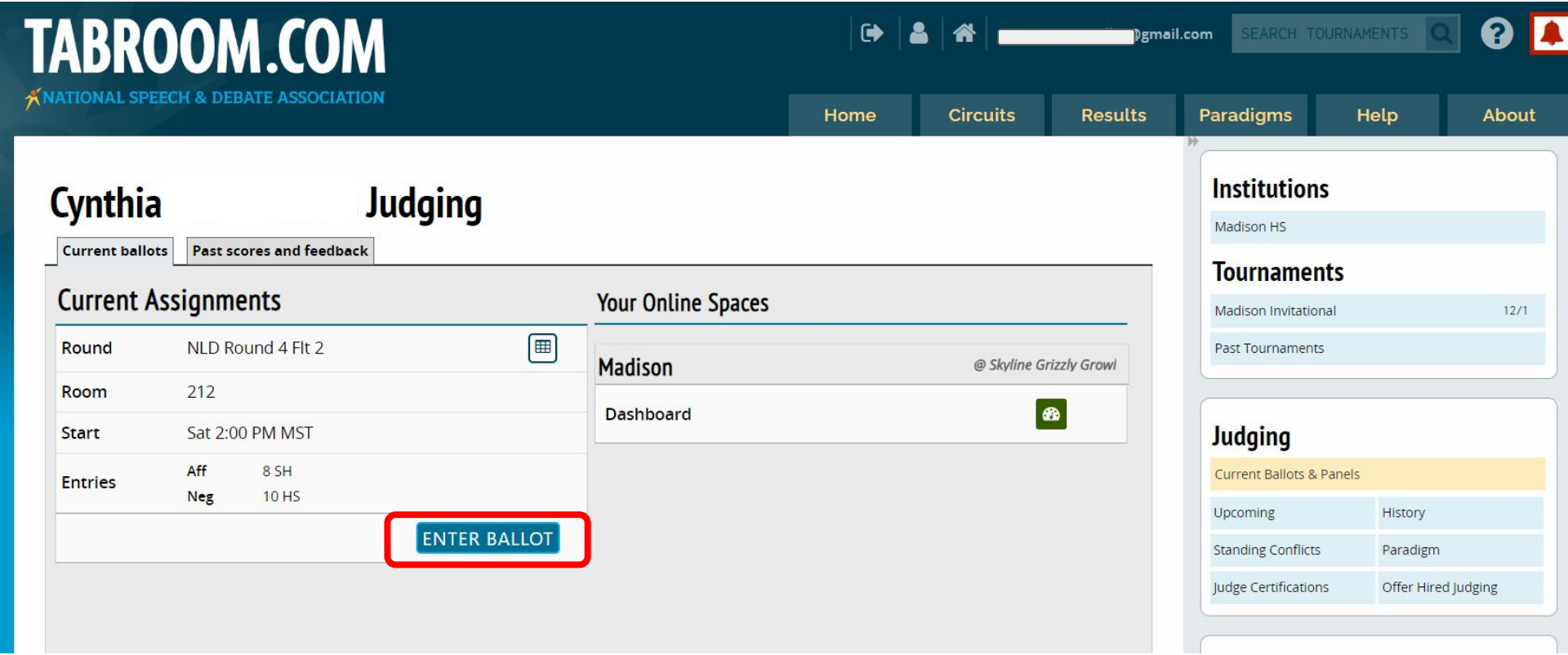


- Clicking on your email will show your current ballots. Refresh this page by clicking on your email between rounds while waiting for new ballots to become available. From this page you can also enter past ballots to add or edit feedback.

- When you have a ballot, click Start Round before heading to your room. This lets the people running the tournament know you have seen your ballot and are on the way to the room.
- The ballot will tell you what room you are in, what teams you will be judging, and what event you are judging. If you are judging Lincoln Douglas or Public Forum Debate you may have two ballots. These events are flighted, make sure to proceed with flight 1 first.
- Elimination rounds will have multiple judges. Please be sure all judges are present before beginning.



When you have arrived to your room, click enter ballot to begin the debate.



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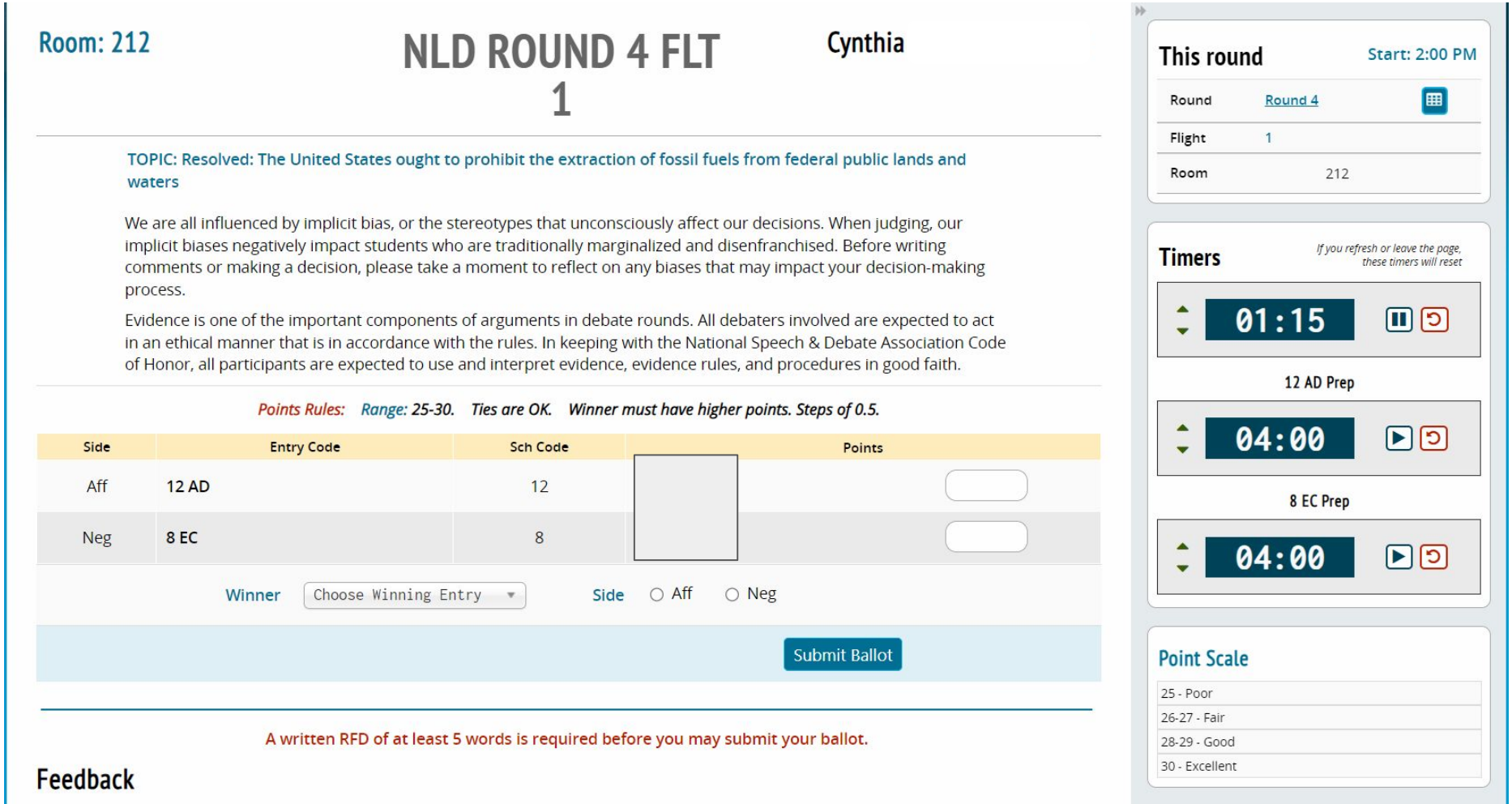

Room: 212

NLD ROUND 4 FLT 1

Cynthia

TOPIC: Resolved: The United States ought to prohibit the extraction of fossil fuels from federal public lands and waters

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Points Rules: Range: 25-30. Ties are OK. Winner must have higher points. Steps of 0.5.

Side	Entry Code	Sch Code	Points
Aff	12 AD	12	
Neg	8 EC	8	

Winner: Choose Winning Entry Side: Aff Neg

Submit Ballot

A written RFD of at least 5 words is required before you may submit your ballot.

Feedback

This round — Start: 2:00 PM

Round	Round 4
Flight	1
Room	212

Timers

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01:15

12 AD Prep

04:00

8 EC Prep

04:00

Point Scale

25 - Poor
26-27 - Fair
28-29 - Good
30 - Excellent

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NLD ROUND 4 FLT 1

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When you arrive to your room, you may enter and get set up. Students will join you shortly or may already be waiting outside. Before you let them start debating, take a quick roll call using these codes. If both teams are correct, you can proceed.

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Winner Choose Winning Entry Side ○ Aff ○ Neg

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In Public Forum debate the sides are not pre-assigned. After determining you have the correct teams in the room, the teams will flip a coin. One team flips and the other calls. The winner gets to decide if the want to be Pro/Con or if they want to speak first or second. After they choose, their opponent gets to make the other choice.

In your ballot, you will need to use drop down menus to assign the speaker order and the side of the debate.

For example: If the coin toss winner selects second speaker, the other team gets to decide if they want to argue Pro or Con.

Some semi-final and final rounds for other debate styles will also have the competitors flip for sides.

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The Right side of the screen has timers for keeping track of speeches and prep times. Speech times should be located below the point scale if you scroll down or can be found on the next slide.

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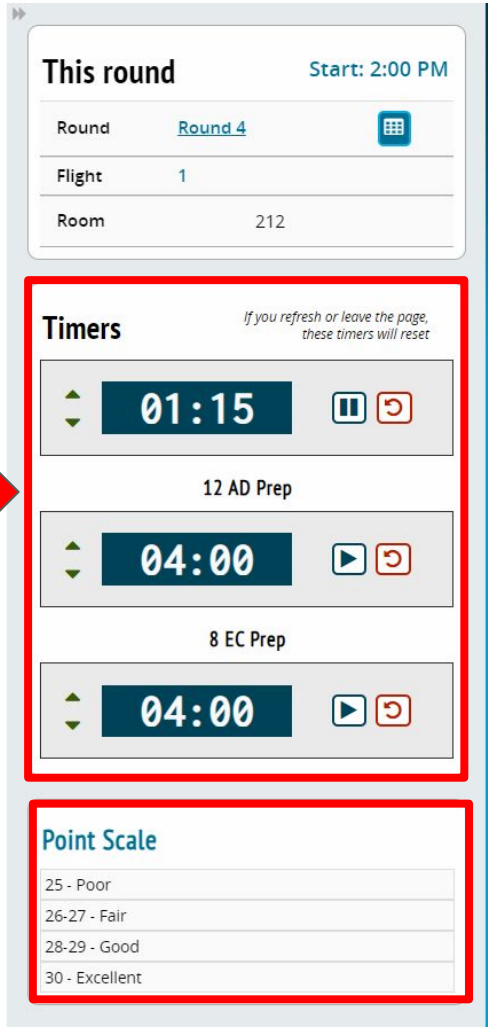

Lincoln Douglas Times

1AC- 6mins
CX- 3mins
1NC- 7mins
CX- 3mins
1AR- 4mins
1NR- 6mins
2AR- 3mins

4mins prep time for each side

Public Forum Times

1C- 4mins
2C- 4mins
Crossfire- 3mins
1R- 4mins
2R- 4mins
Crossfire- 3mins
1S- 3mins
2S- 3mins
Grand Cross- 3mins
1FF- 2mins
2FF- 2mins

3mins prep time for each team

Policy (CX) times

1AC- 8mins
CX- 3mins
1NC- 8mins
CX-3 mins
2AC- 8mins
CX- 3mins
2NC- 8mins
CX- 3mins
1NR- 5mins
1AR- 5mins
2NR- 5mins
2AR- 5mins

8mins prep for each team

Big Questions Times

1AC- 5mins
1NC- 5mins
CX- 3mins
1AR- 4mins
1NR- 4mins
CX- 3mins
1AC- 3mins
1NC- 3mins
1AR- 3mins
1NR- 3mins

3mins prep for each side

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Enter points here

Each debater is awarded Speaker points for their performance during the round. The point scale is an indicator for how to assign the points.

Each tournament will provide a range, and if ties in speaker points are ok. Even when the points are tied, you must still select a winner. The winning team must have equal or higher points.

In Policy (CX) and Public Forum, debates are comprised of two 2 person teams. Speaker points are awarded individually. Make sure you get last names for each team so speaker points are awarded to the correct person.

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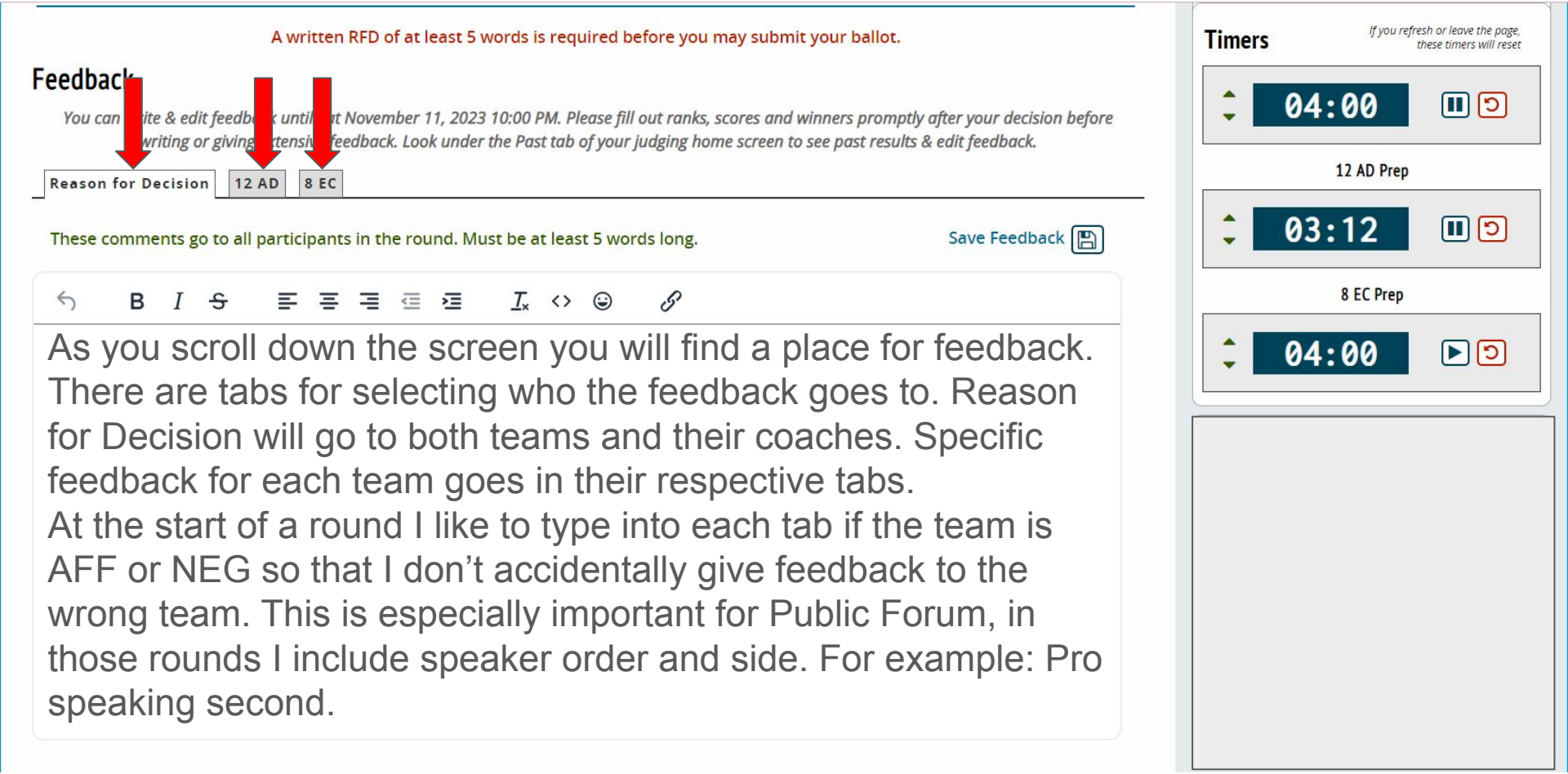
This is where you will find the Topic that the teams will debate, as well as instructions for removing and recognizing personal biases. The goal is to judge how well the students debated and communicated the topic, not if they know as much as you. I try to base my entire decision on only topics that were discussed by the teams, sometimes the winning team has it completely wrong, but if their opponent doesn't address it, then they get to win because their opponent is the one debating them, not me.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Feedback
You can write & edit feedback until at November 11, 2023 10:00 PM. Please fill out ranks, scores and winners promptly after your decision before writing or giving extensive feedback. Look under the Past tab of your judging home screen to see past results & edit feedback.
Reason for Decision
12 AD
8 EC
These comments go to all participants in the round. Must be at least 5 words long.
Save Feedback
As you scroll down the screen you will find a place for feedback. There are tabs for selecting who the feedback goes to. Reason for Decision will go to both teams and their coaches. Specific feedback for each team goes in their respective tabs.
At the start of a round I like to type into each tab if the team is AFF or NEG so that I don't accidentally give feedback to the wrong team. This is especially important for Public Forum, in those rounds I include speaker order and side. For example: Pro speaking second.
Timers
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04:00
12 AD Prep
03:12
8 EC Prep
04:00

Feedback

Students rely on feedback to improve. Be kind, but please provide constructive thoughts on things that you feel would have helped them win or would have improved their performance.

- Do not provide oral feedback, leave all feedback written on the ballot. (The exception to this is if the tournament hosts request oral feedback during the judge meeting.)
- Do not leave comments on clothing, hairstyles, piercings, or any other appearance related opinions. Feedback should be limited to the communication of ideas, maybe they needed to focus harder on a specific argument instead of the one they focused on.
- Balanced feedback is ideal. These are the things you did great. These are the things you can improve next time.
- Reason for Decision (RFD) helps the competitors know which arguments worked and which didn't. It's the place to tell why you made the decision you did.
- If you have concerns about something that happened during the round, please speak with your school's coach or someone working in the Tab room after the round has ended.

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Each tournament will have different word counts needed before a ballot can be submitted.

Feedback can be edited or added to until the tournament ends, you will find specific times for when feedback must be finalized on the ballot.

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12 AD Prep

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NLD ROUND 4 FLT 1

Cynthia

When the debate is over you can review your notes and make your decision on who you believe was successful in proving their point. Award speaker points and then from the drop down menu select your winner. Click if the winning team was Aff or Neg. (or Pro/Con in Public Forum debate)

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Winner: Choose Winning Entry Side: ○ Aff ○ Neg

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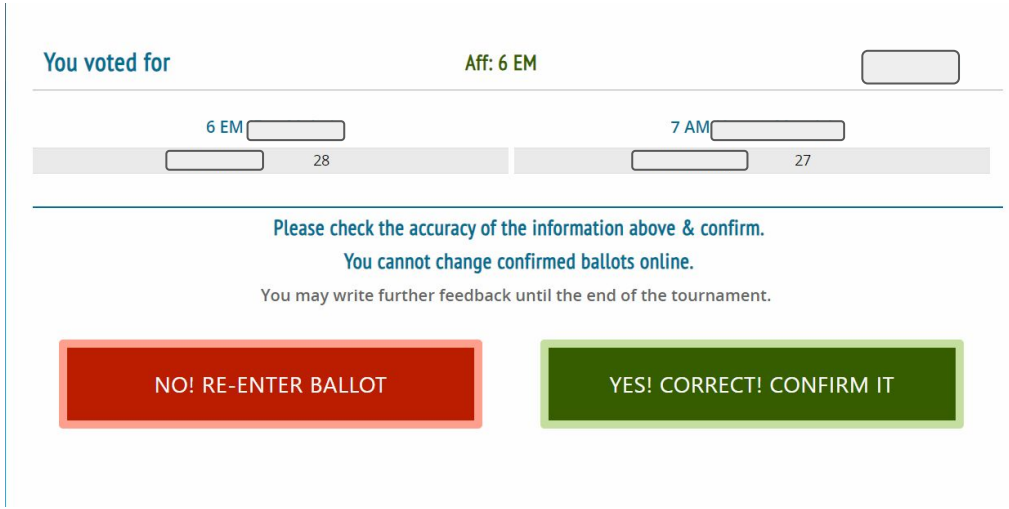
Feedback

Feedback can be filled out while students are speaking, I find that when they are in prep time it is a great time for me to add notes. If you are 5 minutes passed the students finishing, please submit the ballot with speaker points and your decision then return to the ballot to fill out additional feedback. Submitting decisions allows the tournament managers to pair the next round and keep things moving on time. For debates that are flighted, please submit the first ballot before beginning the next debate.



After clicking submit ballot you will be taken to a final page where you can double check who won and speaker points selection. If it looks correct, confirm your decision.

Most tournaments request that you submit your decisions quickly so the next rounds can get started. Feedback can be edited or added to after a decision has been submitted until the end of the tournament. Points and win or loss cannot be changed after being submitted.

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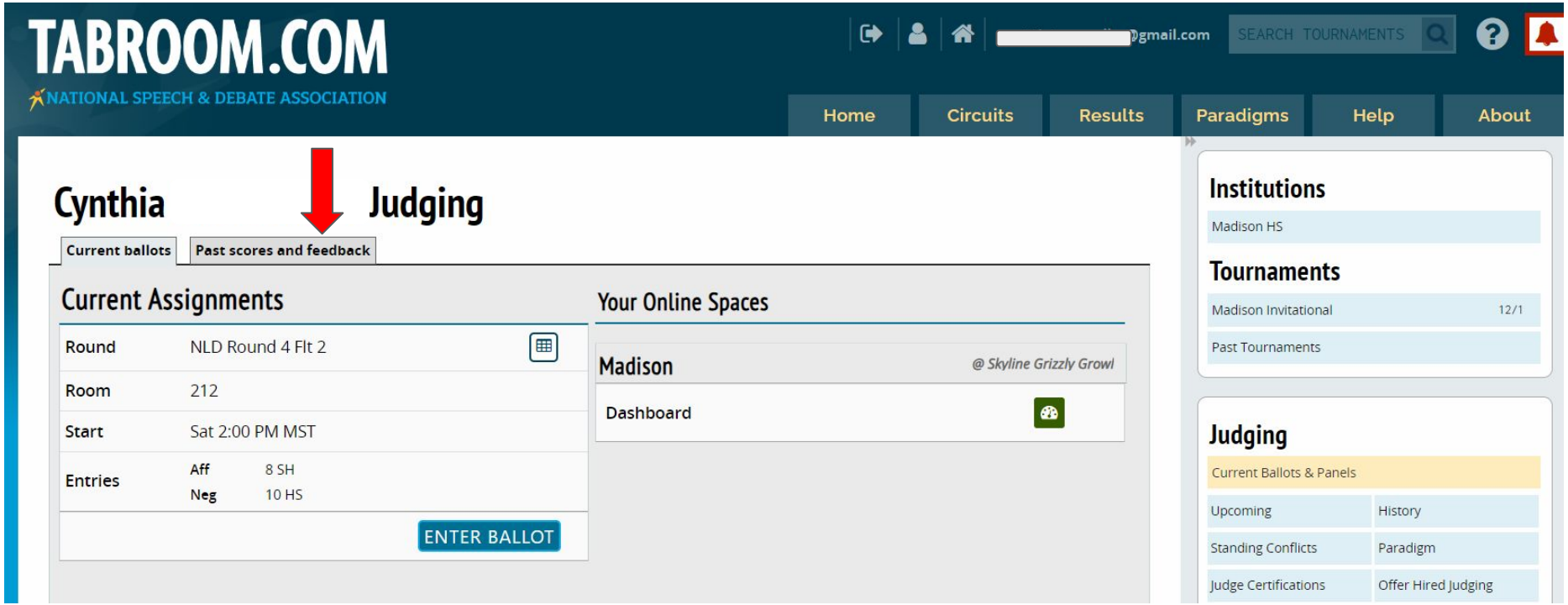

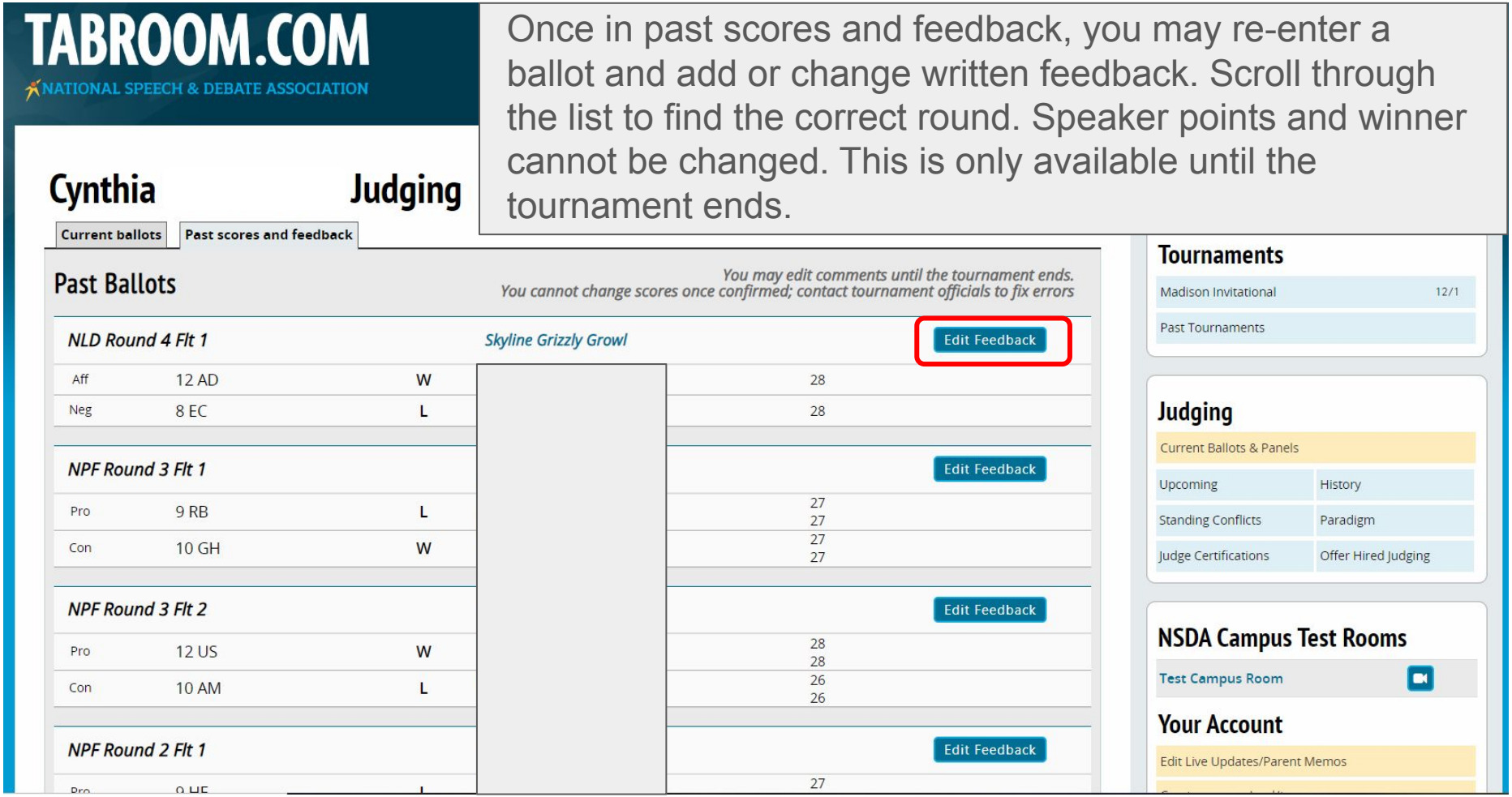
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Once in past scores and feedback, you may re-enter a ballot and add or change written feedback. Scroll through the list to find the correct round. Speaker points and winner cannot be changed. This is only available until the tournament ends.
Cynthia
Judging
Current ballots
Past scores and feedback
Past Ballots
You may edit comments until the tournament ends.
You cannot change scores once confirmed; contact tournament officials to fix errors
NLD Round 4 Flt 1
Skyline Grizzly Growl
Edit Feedback
Aff 12 AD W 28
Neg 8 EC L 28
NPF Round 3 Flt 1
Edit Feedback
Pro 9 RB L 27 27
Con 10 GH W 27 27
NPF Round 3 Flt 2
Edit Feedback
Pro 12 US W 28 28
Con 10 AM L 26 26
NPF Round 2 Flt 1
Edit Feedback
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Past Tournaments
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