JUDGING PROCESS

The submissions will be read and judged by a panel of faculty members from the University of Houston. The top 5 submissions selected will be notified by April 7. They then will prepare and present a poster board presentation for 15 minutes to a panel of judges made up of industry experts and UH Faculty. The poster board presentation will be on April 19 in the afternoon before the Energy Banquet. The winners of the different cash prizes will be announced during the banquet.

The top five winning entries will be determined based on the following rubric.

ORIGINALITY, ORGANIZATION, AND EFFECTIVENESS OF IDEAS AND CONTENT: 35 POINTS

- Ideas are relevant to the prompt and fully fleshed out.
- Ideas are original, imaginative, and reflect critical thinking.
- The organization is effective and relevant to the prompt.
- The content is communicated creatively and is relevant to the prompt.

STYLE AND VOICE: 25 POINTS

- The style of writing is effective and includes descriptive details.
- Writing reflects uniqueness and critical thinking.
- Consistent use of chosen voice.

FORMAT, ELOQUENCE, AND QUALITY OF WORD CHOICE: 25 POINTS

- Word choice is creative, conscious, appropriate for the chosen format, and relevant to the prompt.
- Writing reads well and flows smoothly.
- Writing is relevant to the prompt.
- Word choice is appropriate and effective for the chosen format and style.

CONVENTIONS: 15 POINTS

- Correct grammar and spelling.
- Correct use of punctuation.
- Correct and formal presentation of writing.