### Princeton Research Day Judging Rubric

**PLEASE NOTE:** all scores must be submitted using the provided online PRD Judge Scoring Form. This PDF is for informational purposes only. Please see page two for a list of sponsored awards.

**Directions:** Enter a score (1-5) in the column to the right of each category. Then add together your individual scores to determine total points (maximum = 25 points). An average performance in a category should receive a 3.

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<th>1 - Poor</th>
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| **MOTIVE** | SCORE | -Does the presentation make clear *why* we should care about this topic, problem, or question?  
-Can we easily understand why an exploration, solution, or answer *matters*? | | | |
| **MAIN IDEA** | SCORE | -Does the presentation successfully explain its main idea? Does the main idea clearly address its stated motive?  
-If a performance, can you see a clear connection to its motive? | | | |
| **SCHOLARLY APPROACH** | SCORE | -Does the presentation successfully demonstrate *how* the topic, problem, or question was studied? Does it “show the work”?  
-If a performance, does the artist give context about influences on their work? Do they explain how technical elements (i.e. expressiveness, volume, staging, etc.) contribute toward their goals? | | | |
| **ACCESSIBILITY** | SCORE | -Were the graphics and text easy-to-view?  
-Did the visuals enhance the presentation and cover topics in the presentations? | | | |
| **STYLE & DELIVERY** | SCORE | -Was the presentation or performance engaging and easy to follow?  
-Was it appropriately pitched to a non-specialist audience? Did the presenter speak clearly? | | | |
| **TOTAL POINTS** | Is this presentation worthy of a prize? (Yes / No) | | | | |
| | In one or two sentences, please tell us why you think this presentation is or isn’t worthy of this prize. | | | |