

NIPA Mail-in contest  
 Judging Form  
 Critique Form – 1 per entry

Contestant Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Entry \_\_\_\_\_  
 ID \_\_\_\_\_  
 School Name \_\_\_\_\_

**2. News writing critique form**

This rubric is used as a guide when judging entries and provides feedback to contestant. This form is limited in its ability to effectively rank entries, but it helps judges to note special creative elements that might push an entry over another. A high score does not necessarily mean a high finish in the category.

**COMMENTS**

Well-written lead/captures interest	1	2	3	4					
Shows evidence of research	1	2	3	4					
Shows evidence of quality interview/sources	1	2	3	4					
Carefully polished and concise	1	2	3	4					
Interesting angle, informative headlines	1	2	3	4					
Suitable to the subject	1	2	3	4					
Increases readers understanding	1	2	3	4					
Avoids editorializing	1	2	3	4					
Informative and specific	1	2	3	4					
Overall Appeal	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	

TOTAL: /44

**SUGGESTIONS**