

2012 North Carolina Envirothon
Announcement

- The OPC is a mandatory part of the North Carolina Envirothon state contest for all High School teams. The OPC will not be a part of area contests.
- The OPC will be worth a maximum of 100 points and will be a part of the scoring to determine the overall winner. (1/6th of total contest)
- The OPC problem will be given out at the contest at the OPC Preparation station on Friday afternoon. Teams will have 65 minutes to prepare their presentation. Following preparation, teams will rotate to the OPC Judging station to give their presentations.
- To maximize the score, Oral Presentations should be 9 to 10 minutes in length.
- Teams will be judged based upon their knowledge of the resource material provided for Soil/Land Use, Aquatic Ecology, Wildlife, Forestry and Current Environmental Issues. No resources outside of what was provided for this year's NC Envirothon will be required.
- No resource material, notes, or use of mobile electronic devices will be permitted at the OPC Preparation station.
- Teams will be provided one poster board and a set of colored markers for use in creating visual aids. In addition, 3" x 5" note cards will be provided to each team for making notes.
- Teachers/Advisors are not permitted to be at the Oral Presentation Preparation station. Team advisors/chaperones/guests are permitted to view their respective team's presentation but shall refrain from talking while at the station and shall not have contact with the judges before, during, or immediately following the presentation.

To help your team prepare for the OPC portion of the contest, please take the time to read all the files we have placed on the NC Envirothon Oral Presentation Resources section of the North Carolina Envirothon website (http://www.ncenvirothon.org/high_school_resources1.htm).

We also have a link to the North American Canon Envirothon where you can find some videos of some of the national oral presentations. <http://www.envirothon.org/video-gallery.html>