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| CATEGORY | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Accuracy of Facts | All supportive facts are reported accurately. | Almost all facts are reported accurately. | One fact is reported accurately. | No facts are reported accurately OR no facts were reported. |
| Graphics | Graphics include some original material and are clearly related to the material being preesented. | Graphics are clearly related to the material being preesented, but none are original. | Graphics include some original material but are only somewhat related to the material being preesented. | Graphics are not related to the material being presented. |
| Posture and Eye Contact | Stands or sits up straight and looks confident and relaxed. Establishes eye contact with audience during most of newscast. | Stands or sits up straight. Establishes eye contact with audience during most of newscast. | Slouches or appears too casual but establishes good eye contact with audience during most of newscast. | Slouches or appears too casual AND establishes little eye contact with audience during newscast. |
| Attire | Very professional clothing and accessories. | Business casual look. | Clean and attractive student look. Attire does not detract from credibility of presentation. | Sloppy appearance which detracts from credibility of presentation. |
| Group Work | The group functioned exceptionally well. All members listened to, shared with and supported the efforts of others. The group (all members) was almost always on task! | The group functioned pretty well. Most members listened to, shared with and supported the efforts of others. The group (all members) was almost always on task! | The group functioned fairly well but was dominated by one or two members. The group (all members) was almost always on task! | Some members of the group were often off task AND/OR were overtly disrespectful to others in the group AND/OR were typically disregarded by other group members. |
| Creativity | Group indicated clear and realistic outcomes due to the weather forecast. | Group forecast due to the weather was reasonable. | Group forecast doesn't really apply to the weather forecast. | Group did not indicate and outcome of expectations due to the weather pattern. |