



Speech/Public Speaking

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Room D114



Course Overview:

Welcome to Speech! Within this class we will not only gain valuable public speaking skills but also build strong self-confidence and communication abilities. Students will study speech building techniques and strategies as well as research, prepare, and deliver a number of speeches throughout the course. These speeches include informative, demonstration, persuasive, and ceremonial speeches to name a few. Students will also explore the tiers of building confidence and what aspects and characteristics create a strong leader.

Objectives:

- To understand how to use the communication model effectively
- To develop confidence as a speaker
- To become a better listener
- To be able to read and adjust to audience behavior
- To prepare for and hold an effective interview
- To develop better research techniques
- To effectively write and use an outline for a speech
- To strengthen delivery style for a speech
- To deliver an effective informative speech
- To deliver an effective persuasive speech
- To deliver three effective special occasion speeches
- To become a confident leader in a group situation

Policies/Expectations:

- **Participation, active discussion, and willingness to try are the keys to success in this class. Come prepared every day to participate and perform.**
- Respect for everyone is a **MUST**. This is a safe zone where opinions and personal expressions are welcomed and encouraged to be explored. For us to explore, we must establish a learning environment free of hostility, judgment and prejudice.
- Be prepared with writing utensils and a notebook every day (or iPad if that's how you prefer to take notes.)
- Be on time every day.
- No cell phones out at any point.
- No food or drink in the classroom or on stage. (water bottles are acceptable)
- We will follow ALL Bishop Noll Institute rules found in your handbook and discussed at orientation.

Supply List:

- Notebook specifically dedicated for this class or iPad
- Writing utensils

Grading/Point Values

The grading in this class is based on a points system. All assignments, quizzes, projects, and tests have their own point values and are added together.

There is a **possible 900 points** total for this class.

846-900	A	702-737	C
828-845	A-	684-701	C-
810-827	B+	666-683	D+
774-809	B	630-665	D
756-773	B-	612-629	D-
738-755	C+	0-611	F

Late Work/Make-Up Presentations (Speeches)

- I do accept late work. It is important, however, to know that work becomes late if not turned in the moment I collect. I take off 5 points every day that it is late.
- Presentations are the equivalent to tests in this class. If you miss a performance or presentation of any kind it **MUST** be made up ASAP.