



Speech

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Prerequisites:

- This course is open to 9th-12th grade students..



Course Description:

Speech is a one semester class that will allow each student the opportunity to practice delivering a variety of speeches in front of an audience while learning to read the audience for feedback. The student will also learn the basic techniques of public speaking.

The students will also evaluate famous speeches, learning to identify why those speeches were successful. A few examples of people whose speeches we will critique are Ronald Reagan, Winston Churchill, John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Abraham Lincoln.



Commitment:

- This course meets once a week and is a .5 credit course that meets half of the year, either in the spring or the fall.
- Each student will be required to prepare, practice, and deliver various types of speeches.
- There will be occasional quizzes on the information discussed in class.
- Class participation and speech preparation and delivery will be the main components of the grade.



A typical class will look like...

We will spend class time giving several different types of speeches, learning the various types of speeches, evaluating famous speeches and writing various speeches.

We will discuss how to listen to a speech to evaluate it for credibility and authenticity, as well as various techniques used to make the speech more effective.



Books and Supplies

no textbook required

- notebook
- notecards