

Course Description

Grades 9-12 Speech

Philosophy Statement: God is the Supreme Communicator and has spoken to His people in many ways. In His goodness, He has gifted us with the ability to read, write, listen, and speak. These language arts are the foundation and gateway to all learning and life skills. Students become life-long learners about God and His Word through the study of language arts.

Course Objective: This course will survey the various types/aspects of communication (i.e., *listening, verbal, nonverbal, intra-personal, interpersonal, small group, public, mass, and intercultural*), with an emphasis on developing public speaking skills. Students will learn the basic elements of the communication process and the role each of these elements plays in communication effectiveness. Students will also develop their skills in speech preparation and performance competency as they prepare a variety of speeches and present them before a live audience.

Textbook: Speech
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Materials:

- Various power-point presentations for lectures
- Video recorder
- Handouts

Time Allotment: 45 minutes per day, 5 days per week

Course Content:

- Principles and Processes of Communication
- Elements and Types of Communication: Listening, Verbal, Nonverbal, Intrapersonal, Interpersonal, Small Group, Public, Mass, and Intercultural
- Debate
- Literature Interpretation
- Speech to Inform
- Speech to Demonstrate
- Speech to Persuade
- Devotional Speech

Areas to be evaluated:

- Speeches/Performances
- Open-note quizzes
- Unit Quizzes
- Written Outlines
- Worksheets
- Class Participation

Additional activities:

- Listener evaluators
- Self-evaluations
- Group discussions
- Team debates
- Optional: Speech Meet