

It’s already time for speech season, and I’m looking to recruit new and veteran members for this year’s team. Why join speech? Here’s three big reasons:

* Speech is an absolutely fantastic way to build social skills and get over a fear of speaking. Some polls suggest that people fear public speaking more heights, giant spiders, and even more than death itself.
* Speech looks great to future colleges and employers. Being a part of speech shows that you know how to put hard work into something, use organizational skills and self-assess, and can be independent.
* Speech is a lot of fun (I’m serious)—ask former members. We get to go to different schools, try new things, and meet new people.

Here’s the catch: You gotta have your act together to be in speech. You have to be academically eligible, responsible for your speech, and respectful at ALL speech events. You’ll get a lot out of it, but you have to bring you’re “A” game.

Speech events

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| Speech events! | Circle: 1 = I would never… 5 = I need it |
| * Dramatic interpretation
	+ Act out a serious selection from a theatrical script, doing character voices and giving life to the piece.
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| * Extemp. Programmed reading
	+ Receive a piece at the competition, then quickly read and cut the piece. One humorous, 1 serious, 1 poetry.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Extemp. speech
	+ You’re given 3 questions related to current events and will be asked to choose one on which to prepare a speech in 30 min. using articles.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Humorous duo
	+ Act out a comedy selection from a theatrical script with a partner.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Humorous interp.
	+ Act out a comedy selection from a theatrical script, doing all voices.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Impromptu
	+ You’ll be given a single word, phrase, or quote. You’ll have 15 seconds to plan a 4-6 min. speech… on the spot.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Poetry
	+ Read poetry you’ve selected, using voice and expression to give life to the poems.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Radio
	+ Prepare in advance a “commercial” or opinion section. At the event, you’ll have 45 min. to cut sections out from the local and national news and present a radio broadcast of the news, along with your commercial/editorial.
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| * Dramatic duo
	+ Act out a serious selection from a theatrical script with a partner.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Serious prose
	+ Reading prose you have chosen to an audience, using voice and expression to give life to the prose.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Speech to Entertain
	+ Write and perform a 6-8 min. speech that will make the audience laugh.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Speech to Inform
	+ Write and perform a 6-8 min. that will teach the audience something.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Speech to Persuade
	+ Write and perform a 6-8 min. speech that will change the audience’s views
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |
| * Storytelling
	+ You’ll have 30 min. to memorize and perform your version of a children’s story/fairy tale that you get at the competition.
 | 1 2 3 4 5 |

**Please have a parent / guardian sign this. Submit this packet to Mr. Schock by 12/01.**

By signing this, I approve that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (student name) can participate in speech team this year and will take all possible measures to attend regional and state meets, as well as at least 2 prior meets on the 2017 schedule. This student will maintain academic eligibility by consistently achieving satisfactory grades in his/her classes and by keeping up with Wing’s attendance policy. This student understands that being part of Wing Speech Team is a privilege and requires responsible behavior, and if he or she violates that code of conduct, he or she may be removed from the team.

Student name : \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| Date | Matchup | Location | Time/Result |
| January 14, 2017 | [Valley City High School Invite](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/106436/2017-01-14-valley-city-high-school-invite-valley-city-high-school) | Valley City High School | 8:00am |
| January 21, 2017 | [Linton Speech Meet](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/108920/2017-01-21-linton-speech-meet-linton-high-school) | Linton High School | 9:00am |
| January 28, 2017 | [Beulah Speech Meet](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/104724/2017-01-28-beulah-speech-meet-beulah-public-school) | Beulah Public School | 7:00pm |
| February 4, 2017 | [Washburn Speech Invitational](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/105791/2017-02-04-washburn-speech-invitational-washbun) | Washbun | 8:00am |
| February 11, 2017 | [Northern Cass Speech Meet](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/108455/2017-02-11-northern-cass-speech-meet-northern-cass-high-school) | Northern Cass High School | 8:00am |
| February 17, 2017 | [West Fargo High School](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/106451/2017-02-17-west-fargo-high-school-west-fargo-high-school) | West Fargo High School | 8:15am |
| February 18, 2017 | [Nedrose Cardinal Invitational-Minot](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/106479/2017-02-18-nedrose-cardinal-invitational-minot-minot) | Minot | 8:00am |
| February 25, 2017 | [Velva Invitational](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/106494/2017-02-25-velva-invitational-velva-high-school) | Velva High School | 8:00am |
| March 4, 2017 | [Garrison High School](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/107394/2017-03-04-garrison-high-school-garrison-high-school) | Garrison High School | 9:00am |
| March 4, 2017 | [Carrington Invitational](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/108777/2017-03-04-carrington-invitational-carrington-high-school) | Carrington High School | 9:00am |
| March 10, 2017 | [Valley City High School (VC Swing)](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/108954/2017-03-10-valley-city-high-school-vc-swing-valley-city-high-school) | Valley City High School | 8:00am |
| March 11, 2017 | [Valley City State University (VC Swing)](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/108939/2017-03-11-valley-city-state-university-vc-swing-valley-city-state-university) | Valley City State University | 8:00am |
| March 25, 2017 | [Cowboy Invitational](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/109024/2017-03-25-cowboy-invitational-killdeer-high-school) | Killdeer High School | 8:00pm |
| April 1, 2017 | [Harvey-Wells County](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/106736/2017-04-01-harvey-wells-county-harvey-high-school) | Harvey High School | 8:00am |
| April 7, 2017 | [2016-2017 NDHSAA Region 7 Speech](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/103218/2017-04-07-2016-2017-ndhsaa-region-7-speech-washburn-high-school) | Washburn High School | 8:00am |
| April 8, 2017 | [2016-2017 NDHSAA EDC Speech](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/103308/2017-04-08-2016-2017-ndhsaa-edc-speech-fargo) | Fargo | 8:00am |
| April 8, 2017 | [2016-2017 NDHSAA WDA Speech](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/103323/2017-04-08-2016-2017-ndhsaa-wda-speech-mandan-high-school) | Mandan High School | 8:00am |
| April 11, 2017 | [2016-2017 NDHSAA Region 8 Speech](http://www.ndhsaanow.com/contests/speech/103338/2017-04-11-2016-2017-ndhsaa-region-8-speech-velva-high-school) | Velva High School | 8:00am |

Speech schedule: