

Public Speaking Club

Class Introduction

Our Public Speaking Club helps students learn to communicate with clarity, organize their thoughts, and share ideas with confidence. Through fun games, storytelling, and interactive activities, children develop essential speaking and leadership skills in a supportive, age-appropriate environment.

For the upcoming quarter, we will focus on Impromptu Speaking—a powerful skill that teaches students how to think and speak on the spot. Children will receive a random quotation or topic and have just a few minutes to prepare a short, meaningful speech. This engaging format strengthens quick thinking, boosts confidence, and empowers students to express themselves without a prepared script.

By combining foundational public speaking practice with impromptu challenges, we help students grow into confident, agile thinkers—skills that will benefit them for a lifetime.

Instructor Bio

Ms. Leah is a seasoned teaching artist with over 15 years of experience designing and leading communication-focused programs for students of all ages. With a Master's degree in Educational Theatre from New York University, and a Bachelor's in English and Drama from Ithaca College, Leah blends academic excellence with hands-on teaching expertise. She has led large-scale workshops with Broadway productions and created public speaking experiences rooted in storytelling, self-expression, and collaboration. Leah's classes foster confidence, empathy, and critical thinking through performance and voice.

Who: Grade K-2

Time: Monday 4:00-5:00pm, 2/23-6/1. No class on 4/13 & 5/25, 13 classes in total
(If school closes due to bad weather, we will have a make-up class after the last class)

Showcase Performance: 6/1, Monday, 4:30–5:30 PM

Location: School Portable room 159

Class Size: Min 5 / Max 15

Cost: \$352

(If we do not have enough volunteers and cannot open the class successfully, we will inform you and refund the full amount.)

Material: Teachers will provide all materials!

No Volunteer, No Club: If no PTSA member volunteer signs up, the club session will not run. Once a volunteer is secured, PTSA will email parents to announce that the class is open and provide a payment link.

“We encourage each family sign in at least one spot volunteer if possible —volunteering is simple and flexible! You’ll just help with sign-in and sign-out, and you’re welcome to bring your laptop and work while you’re there.”

If you need financial support, please contact with school counselor,
Mrs. Muhlestein <jmuhlestein@lwsd.org>

Sign up deadline: 2/10 9pm

Any question? email to clubs@smithptsa.org

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